



A. Ruth Gotsch Obituary

September 8, 1909 - March 9, 2008

Mrs. A. Ruth Gotsch, of Albany died Sunday Mar 9, 2008 at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital. The Funeral Mass will be held at 10:00AM Thursday at St. Teresa's Catholic Church with interment to follow in Crown Hill Cemetery. The Rev. Ray Levreault will officiate. Following the interment the family would like to invite all family and friends to meet at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 2009 Gillionville Road for lunch. Born 1909 in Jersey City, NJ, Mrs. Gotsch was a graduate of Montclair State Teacher's College, taught school in New Jersey and retired from teaching at St. Teresa's School in 1972. Ruth was an active member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church since 1948. Mrs. Gotsch gave private piano lessons and was an accomplished musician. With an avid interest in neighborhood beautification, Ruth was active in the Florary Garden Club as an officer and member. Florary Garden Club was affiliated with the Federated Garden Club of Albany. Ruth was also a member of the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary in Albany. She was preceded in death by her husband Gus Gotsch and a grandson Chris Faust. Survivors include her children, Robert D. Gotsch and his wife Pat of Roswell, Linda Gotsch McGregor and her husband Cornelius of Forest City, NC, and Doug Gotsch and his wife Betty of Albany, 7 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. The Rosary Service will be held Wednesday at 6:00PM with visitation to follow until 9:00PM. Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers, may be made to the Knights of Columbus Council 3607/STS Scholarship, 2009 Gillionville Rd., Albany, GA 31707 or online at www.kofc3607.org.

Tribute Wall



“ *A. Ruth Gotsch Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *A. Ruth Gotsch Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *A. Ruth Gotsch Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *A. Ruth Gotsch Obituary*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *From our family to yours, our love and deepest sympathy in the loss of your dear mother. She was a beautiful, talented, special lady and a great friend to our family. Mary and Mike remember her as the best kindergarten teacher ever, and I thank her for her abundance of patience with me during my piano lessons. Mother recently enjoyed the teas and computer card games with her, and always reported to me how your mom kept her on her toes, as quick and sharp as ever. We were blessed to have known her, and she will live in our hearts always. Love and blessings to all of you. Noreen and all the McCoy Family*

Noreen McCoy McRae - March 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ To Ruth's Family,
My thoughts and prayers are with you during these difficult days.
Ruth was such a special lady and I had the privilege of knowing and loving her through the Dawson Road Garden Club. Helen Cganiewicz, who is my cousin, was a special friend of Ruth's. She is in an assisted living facility in Marietta and asked me to give you her love and sympathy. Carleen & Helen

Carleen Flowers - March 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Bob, you and your family have our deepest sympathy in the passing of your mother Ruth Gotsch. She was highly respected by so many of your friends and touched the lives of so many. Her music lives in the hearts of so many of our generation through those who she taught who went on to teach and share what they learned from her with others. That into its self is quite a legacy. Your family can be proud of this and her. She will be missed but she will be there with your family in spirit. May the Lord Bless her and your Family.

Jimmie & Sandy Holland - March 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Doug & family..May warm memories sustain you ..your mother was a special friend of ours and both our mothers. She loved life and everyone around her.You were truly blessed...Sincerely, David & Kay

David & Kay Dunn - March 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Ruth was such a pillar of our church an our school. It is awesome to consider how many lives she touched and made better by her dedication. She had an innate gift for teaching children. Who can ever forget the carefully measured steps of her kindegarten classes entering the auditorium to the piano accompaniment of "Pomp and Circumstance". Our family was privileged to have her guidance and example for two generations.
She was one-of-a-kind and we loved her.

Bee McCormack - March 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of Ms. Gotsch. I knew her from church and the dentist office. She was a very sweet lady and very thoughtful. She always asked about my family whenever she came in and we always talked about my daughter, who is a teacher. I will miss seeing her at church and at the office.

Karen Hanna - March 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ I was in Mrs. Ruth Gotsch's kindergarten class in 1955, and she has always been my most favorite and memorable teacher. I have nothing but the fondest memories of her and our class. My deepest condolences to all her family.

Gloria Ann Will Holley

Gloria Ann Will Holley - March 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ My heartfelt sympathy goes out to the entire Gotsch family, but especially to my friend and classmate, Bob.

Richard (Gooch) Harper

Richard Harper - March 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. Mimi was an absolutely amazing lady and will be missed by so many. I wish I had the opportunity to be around her more often. She always made everyone around her feel so special.

Love, Becky

Becky Green - March 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Linda, I remember your Mother well. My heartfelt sympathy. Pat

Pat Johnston Mattahews - March 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I knew Mrs. Gotsch from the time I was a very young child. She was always one of my favorite people. Her smile would light up the day. She taught two of my children in kindergarten at STS. They always refer to her as their best teacher. Jerry and I will keep her and your family in our prayers. Deepest sympathies.

Jeanine Coleman Bauer

Jeanine Bauer - March 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ I was in Mrs. Gotsch's last kindergarten class of St. Teresa's. She was a wonderful teacher and person. Mrs. Gotsch was loved by all. My deepest sympathy and prayers go out to the family. May God bless you and be with you.

Carmie Robertson - March 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ I was in Mrs. Gotch's kindergarten class and I thank her for everything she taught me. I remember everything like it was yesterday. She was a true inspiration. She will not only be missed but I will not forget her. I tell my children about this wonderful women often.

Gentle Women Quite Light, Morning Start so strong and bright, Gentle mother peaceful dove, Teach us wisdom, Teach us love

Robert Haggerty

Robert Haggerty - March 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Bob, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.

James Mason - March 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Doug & Betty, Know that you and tour family are in our thoughts and prayers. In losing both of mine so recently I know exactly what you are going through.

Daryl Ann & Cleve Lane - March 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Linda, I am thinking of you and your family at this time of sorrow. I can see your mother right now, she was always so alive. She will be missed by all who knew her and who she made a difference in their lives. Love Sandra Holloway Hancock

Sandra H. Hancock - March 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ So very sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She was a wonderful lady and she will be sorely missed by us all!

Much, much love,

Linda and Ed

Dr. and Mrs. Ed Jordan - March 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ So sorry to learn of your Mother's passing. She was a remarkable lady, and will be missed by everyone.

Sincerely,

DeAnne Carson

DeAnne Moore Carson - March 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ Like most people who knew Tubby, one of the first things I think of is Waffle House & his huge heart. I am very fortunate to have known Tubby & to have worked with him, he always had the right advice & kind words to say which I will never forget & am able to use in my daily life. Thanks Tubby, for being such a great friend, you are truly an inspiration.

Perry "P.J." Johnson - March 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ *Bob, we were sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. She lived a wonderful life and touched many lives. I know you all are so very proud of that. May God bless you and give you peace.*

Harriet and Jerry Cornelius - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ *Bob~ We know how much you loved and admired your mother. God bless you and your family.*

Tommy and Beverly Smith Herrington - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *Please accept my sincere condolences in the death of your mother. May she rest comfortably in the arms of Jesus.*

Joe Ed

Joe Rossman - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *It HAs Been A Pleasure For Maruy & I To Have Known Ruth And Gus For The Past 32 Years. We Have Spent Many Enjoyable Social Hours At The Knights Of Columbus Hall And Many Events At State Conventions As Well. Our Prayers Go With Ruth And Gus Whcih now Have Been Brought Together Again, Our Warmest Regards to the Gotch Family .*

Tthomas R. DeMarino Sr. - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AH

“*Doug, Betty, and family,
My prayers and sympathy are with all of you at this time. Your mom
was such an inspiration in my life. She is definitely the reason I am a
teacher today!!
Love and prayers, Annette*

Annette Haggerty - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BG

“*How can you call a 98-year-old lady the original "party animal?" You
had to know her. Ruth Gotsch stories were legend in my house
growing up. Coats & Clarks' New Year's Eve party was NEVER dull
as long as Ruth was there! She was always the sparkplug of any
gathering and made certain it was memorable. But now our
thoughts and prayers are with Doug, Betty, and Ruth's entire family.
May you soon feel God's peace and comfort.*

Bruce & Marilyn Garey - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AB

“*I was in Mrs. Gotsch's kindergarten class at St. Teresa's (Class of
66); she was a wonderful, caring, loving teacher and person. She
made each and every child she taught feel special. She loved
teaching and her students loved her. Mrs. Gotsch was truly the
epitome of how a teacher should be*

*"Eternal rest grant to her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon
her. May she and all the faithfully departed rest in God's peace."*

Angel Bradford - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ *Mrs. Gotsch was always such an encourager to me. Always had a smile for everyone. Just know that I am praying for each one of you, that God will give you comfort and strenght. Just treasure all the memories.*

Lydia Thompson - March 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM