

**Olympe Arceneaux Butcher LAFAYETTE**-- Olympe Arceneaux Butcher, 92, passed away peacefully on Friday, December 31, 2010 at Evangeline Oaks Guest Home in Carencro.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, January 4, 2011, at a 10:00 AM Mass of Christian Burial in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Lafayette, followed by interment in Lafayette Memorial Park. Reverend Monsignor Keith J. DeRouen, Pastor of Our Lady Queen of Angels Catholic Church in Opelousas, will be the Celebrant of the Funeral Mass and will conduct the funeral services. Giftbearers will be Ronald and L'Reece Butcher. Lectors will be Lee Broussard and Marie Saussy. Pallbearers will be John Anthony Swann, Benjamin Louis Arceneaux, Jr., Jay Joseph Menard, Brian Butcher, John J. Simon and John Kimble Arceneaux. Jodi Bollich, soloist, accompanied by Tom Niel, organist, will sing "Ave Maria," "J'irai La Voir Un Jour," "On Eagles' Wings," "How Great Thou Art" and "Precious Lord."

She was preceded in death by her husband William Butcher, Jr. Survivors include one son, Ronald William Butcher and his wife L'Reece of Lafayette; a stepson, Dr. Donald Kent Butcher and his wife Cindy of Gautier, Mississippi; two grandchildren, Brian J. Butcher and his wife Elizabeth of Albany, NY and Samantha Butcher Hannigan and her husband Travis of Lafayette; and two step-grandchildren, Ryan Butcher and Jennifer Butcher Allain, both of Lafayette.

A longtime resident of Lafayette and recent resident at Evangeline Oaks Guest Home in Carencro, Mrs. Butcher was the daughter of the late Emile Galbert Arceneaux, Sr. and the former Rose Celeste Mouton, both of Carencro. In addition to her parents and late husband, she was preceded in death by nine siblings: Louise Arceneaux Pellerin and her husband Otis, Blanche Arceneaux Swann and her husband Fenwick, Evangeline Arceneaux Simon and her husband Willie, Joseph Arceneaux, Mary Arceneaux, Benjamin Louis Arceneaux, Sr. and his first wife Palmyre Martin and

second wife Vita Piccione Gilbert, Rose Arceneaux Dugal and her husband Merrick, Emile Galbert Arceneaux, Jr. and his wife Virginia Gardner and Charles Arceneaux.

She was a member of the St. John Cathedral Altar Society, Louisiana Alpha Alpha Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, Galvez Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution, Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist St. Anne Society, Catholic Daughters of the Americas - Court Immaculata, St. Anne Society of St. John's, Alfred Mouton Chapter of United Daughters of the Confederacy, and the Louisiana Retired Teachers Association. She taught 5th/6th grade in the Lafayette Parish School System for 41 years before retiring in the 1970s. Her hobbies included rock collecting/polishing, photography and genealogy. Mrs. Butcher will be dearly missed by her family, friends and all who knew and loved her.

The family requests that visitation be observed in Martin & Castille's DOWNTOWN Lafayette location on Monday, January 3, 2011 from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM and on Tuesday from 8:00 AM until time of service. Two Rosaries will be recited on Monday evening: the first Rosary will be led by the Catholic Daughters of America at 5:00 PM, followed by another Rosary at 7:00 pm. Condolences may be addressed to Mr. Ronald William Butcher, 223 Bruce St., Lafayette, LA 70503 and/or Dr. Donald Kent Butcher, 900 Greystone St., Biloxi, MS 39532. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Evangeline Oaks Guest Home, 240 Arceneaux Road, Carencro, LA 70520.

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