



Anthony "Tony" Rizzuto

January 1, 1925 - April 2, 2011

Gueydan: It's with heavy hearts and great sadness that the family of Anthony "Tony" Edward Rizzuto, age 86 of Gueydan, announces his ascension into Heaven on Wednesday, March 30th while in the Gueydan Memorial Guest House. A mass of Christian burial will be held at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Gueydan on Saturday, April 2, 2011 @ 11:00 AM with Father Jason Vidrine officiating. The Rizzuto family requests visitation be observed at Matthews & Son Funeral Home in Gueydan on Friday, April 1st from 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM and resume on Saturday at 8:00 AM until the time of his services. A rosary will be recited on Friday evening at 7:00 PM. Tony will be laid to rest in the Gueydan Cemetery. Anthony Edward was born in Gueydan to the late Elic and Catherine Sacco Rizzuto in January of 1925. He served his country honorably in the United States Navy during WWII and the Korean Conflict where he was stationed in the South Pacific. Tony was a teacher and principal for 35 years. Tony was a member of the LA Retired Teacher Association, American Legion, AARP, and VFW. He enjoyed gardening, dancing, hunting, and fishing. He was dearly loved by all his family and friends and will be greatly missed. Leaving behind to cherish his memories are his beloved wife, Shirley Blenderman Rizzuto of New Iberia; 5 children, Robert Rizzuto and his wife Rachel of Gueydan, Michael Rizzuto and his wife Sharon also of Gueydan, Edward Rizzuto and his wife Wendy of Gueydan, Gina Rizzuto of Baton Rouge, and Christopher Rizzuto and his wife Sarah of Hollister, CA; 2 brothers, Samuel Rizzuto of Sulphur and Jasper Rizzuto of Gueydan; 6

grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Tony now rests in Heaven with his beloved parents, Elic and Catherine; 1st wife, Florence Ellen Arpin Rizzuto; 2 brothers, Andrew and Marion Rizzuto. Carrying Tony to his eternal resting place will be his 4 sons: Robert, Michael, Edward, and Christopher Rizzuto, and Thomas Rizzuto and Paul LeDoux.

Tribute Wall



“ Anthony "Tony" Rizzuto

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ My prayers are with the family. Mr.Rizzuto was an excellent Principal and teacher. May he rest in peace.

Murray (Paul) Mitchell Jr. - April 06, 2011 at 09:29 PM



He lived a long and fruitful life having been born in 1753.

D'Arcy Vachon - December 21, 2020 at 11:39 PM



“ Gina, and family. I am sorry for the loss of your loved one. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. Always remember he will be near and dear to you in your heart.

Debbie Leche - April 03, 2011 at 09:29 PM



“ Gina,

I am so sorry for your loss. May peace be with you and your family in this time of great sorrow. How wonderful it is that you had so many years with such a great love. May God Bless your Daddy and hold him as close as you do in your heart.

Gaby

Gabrielle S. Bayhi - April 03, 2011 at 05:00 PM

PG

“ Sorry for your loss my love...I know the feeling well. This too shall pass! Love ya!
Phil and John

Phil Griggs - April 03, 2011 at 11:57 AM

MC

“ Dear Gina, Chris and family. I am sorry for your loss and hope you are finding comfort with your friends and family. Sending love and prayers your way.

Marty Campbell - April 02, 2011 at 05:23 PM

RD

“ I could not attend the wake or funeral because I babysit my 7 mo. old grandson. I couldn't let this time go by without letting you know how sorry I am for your loss. Mr. Rizzuto was such a good teacher and the nicest person. He will be missed.

Ruby Guidry Duhon - April 01, 2011 at 10:23 PM

CD

“ Mr Rizzuto was such an inspriation to me as a student and teacher. His guidance and friendship will always be with me. I know you will miss him so much.
carole drost lopez

CAROLE DROST - April 01, 2011 at 07:53 PM

RS

“ *Mr. Rizzuto was such a kind, gentle man. When he talked to you he looked into your soul. I sure enjoyed visiting with him at the nursing home.*

His legacy is that he changed the lives of so many that attended Gueydan High School.

My sincerest condolences to the family.

Ronnie Sonnier - April 01, 2011 at 07:28 PM

VW

“ *Gina and family, so sorry for your loss.*

Viki White - April 01, 2011 at 04:18 PM

GA

“ *Gina & Family -
Please accept my heartfelt condolences on the loss of your Dad. We know he is not far from us, he is in a much better place, and he now knows complete peace and rest. I wish for all of you at this time to know comfort deeply in your hearts and to know that peace which surpasses all human understanding - and is beyond words or explanation. I pray that you know the peace born out of a deep, deep faith that one day we shall all be reunited. Please let me know if there is anything I can do for any of you in this time of transition. God Bless all of you.*

Giselle Achee - April 01, 2011 at 02:51 PM

RH

“ *Mr. Tony was always a wonderful person and great teacher, as well as a friend. My condolences to all of his family especially my classmate Michael. May God Bless you all and keep you in His peace. Always a family friend with great memories of you all.*

Randall Hanks - March 31, 2011 at 11:14 PM

PS

“ *It's so sad to hear of Uncle Tony's passing ... one more of our wonderful family gone. I can't help but think of all the times we were together ... fishing for gar in the canals, chasing each other around the yard, crawling all over the hay in the "big barn", Bobby playing the guitar and Michael getting yelled at, or just sitting down for dinner with Lawrence Welk on the tv. We were whole and happy then. We still are actually, but now "whole" includes wonderful memories. May the Lord bless and keep you cousins throughout the next few days and beyond. I understand your loss and know that together you will give each other strength.*
Love always, FeFe

Phyllis Spittler - March 31, 2011 at 03:50 PM

ME

“ *Mr. Rizzuto was a principal among principals and a real man to be amired. He was so kind and such a gallant gentleman. So sorry he is gone. He was one of a kind. Condolences to his family. Meceal Smith*

Meceal - March 31, 2011 at 11:50 AM

PA

“ *I will always remember Mr. Rizzuto. He was definately one of the good guys and a great teacher.*

Percy J. Adams - March 31, 2011 at 08:46 AM

MN

“ *He will be missed by many. He was a good man. He was one very fine teacher and principal. I will never forget him.*

Mervina Garrie Newman - March 30, 2011 at 08:51 PM

SF

“ *Mr. Tony was a real inspiration to me and many other former students. May he rest in peace.*

Sherman L. Fruge - March 30, 2011 at 06:45 PM