



## April Joy Duhon Richard

April 15, 1965 - December 1, 2022

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Lake Arthur: April Joy Duhon Richard was born in Jennings, LA on April 15, 1965, to Ellsworth D. Duhon and Deanne Lounsberry Duhon and after 57 years on this earth was called to her Heavenly Father on December 1, 2022. April was a homemaker who dedicated her life to taking care of her family. She was ferociously independent woman with a tenacious spirit, was kindhearted and loved animals. April's adolescent years were spent living in England and Australia with her family. She enjoyed traveling on her motorcycle, gardening, growing her own vegetables, raising her chickens. April was adventurous and loved life, she was a voracious reader. She took every opportunity to learn as much as she could thru each of her experiences. She earned numerous certifications, including welding, blackjack dealer, stained glass artist, scuba diving and Secretary at West End Instructional Center and most recently was employed by Acadian Ambulance. Above all she was proud of and devoted to her three sons. April will be tremendously missed by all who knew and loved her.

April is survived by her mother, Deanne Lounsberry Duhon of Lake Arthur, LA; her three sons, Jacob Richard, Cameron Richard, Adrian Richard; her sister, Angela Duhon Landry (Shane); her three nieces, & one nephew; her thirteen great nieces & nephews.

April is preceded in death by her father Ellsworth D. Duhon and her sister, Allison G. Duhon.

A Mass of Christian Burial for April Joy Duhon Richard, 57, of Lake Arthur, LA will be held at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Lake Arthur, LA on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at 2:00 PM. Burial will follow in St. Anthony Cemetery.

A Gathering of Family and Friends will be held at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Lake Arthur, LA on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, from 12:30 PM until the time of her Service at 2:00 PM.

Relatives and friends are invited to join the family for a reception celebrating April's life at the Oustalet Center following her Services.

In lieu of flowers the family is requesting donations be made to the Glioblastoma Foundation in April's memory. Donations can be made to the following link:

[www.glioblastomafoundation.org/get-involved](http://www.glioblastomafoundation.org/get-involved)

To extend online condolences, please visit our website at [www.matthewsandsfuneralhome.net](http://www.matthewsandsfuneralhome.net)

Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews & Son Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Anthony Cemetery

385 Eighth St.  
Lake Arthur, LA 70549

# Previous Events

## Gathering of Family and Friends

DEC 6. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church  
203 Commercial St.  
Lake Arthur, LA 70549

## Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

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203 Commercial St.  
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# Tribute Wall

CM

“ Cheryal Jordy S Mom lit a candle in memory of April Joy Duhon Richard



Cheryal Jordy s mom - June 27, 2023 at 10:41 PM



“ April Joy Duhon Richard

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM

CH

“ O my lord, I didn't know, she was gone, such a extraordinary person, we were great friends, I've never seen her unkind, and her personality was unique and eccentric that's probably why we we became friends,we thrived to be different, people didn't get us or understand was, but we really didn't care ,,I love you 💕 bunches, peace out my hippie soul,,,hug my child for me, I like to tell the family, she was gold, such a beautiful gem your in my prayers



Cheryal hanks - January 21, 2023 at 06:57 PM

IG

“ From time to time, my job took me to WEIC. I had been going a few years before I learned that Ms. April was so talented. I was truly amazed! She had such a wide range of interests! She always greeted those who approached her with a smile. - Yesterday, I learned of her passing. I did not know she had been ill. I am so very sorry for your loss. I pray for God to hold you within the palms of His hands during this difficult time. With deepest sympathy, Imelda Guidry

Imelda Guidry - December 05, 2022 at 02:00 PM



“ Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of April Joy Duhon Richard.



December 04, 2022 at 07:38 PM

TD

“ Terry & Paula Duhon purchased the White Standing Spray for the family of April Joy Duhon Richard.



Terry & Paula Duhon - December 04, 2022 at 11:05 AM

MD

“ Aunt Deanne,

*Paula and I would like to express our deepest sympathy for your loss. We wish the best for you and your family and will continue to pray for peace and comfort for you and your family.*

*Love,  
Terry & Paula Duhon*

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**Mr. Terry Paul Duhon** - December 04, 2022 at 10:52 AM

CP

“ Cindy Price lit a candle in memory of April Joy Duhon Richard



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**Cindy Price** - December 03, 2022 at 09:14 PM

CP

*I am so sorry for your loss. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers*

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**Cindy Price** - December 03, 2022 at 09:14 PM



“ Love's Embrace Roses – Purple was purchased for the family of April Joy Duhon Richard.



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December 02, 2022 at 09:20 PM

EA

“ April's Picture & Obituary are Absolutely Beautiful! Perfect , says everything exactly the way April was. I had the pleasure of working with April twice. Became friends while working at Hibernia National Bank & remained friends since then. Worked with her again at Coughatta Casino Resort. Always having a good time & lots of laughter when we were together. I'm so shocked about all this. And deeply saddened for her Family. I'll always remember & Love You April. Until we meet again. Rest In Heavenly Peace 🕊️🕊️💕

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**Eula Armentor** - December 02, 2022 at 09:07 PM

NL

“ I look at this picture of April and how perfect the choice of photo is! I'm reminded of the same girl I met all those years ago who became a dear friend. Same laughing eyes, same sweet smile, her heart on her sleeve and ready for the next adventure. We had so many adventures I'm grateful for. I'm honored to call her my friend and no amount of time will fill the void she is leaving behind. Not goodbye. Just see you later. Love you! RIP April <3

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**Nancy Lyon** - December 02, 2022 at 08:15 PM

JR

*Great person with a true loving soul...I'm thankful she was my friend*

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**Jeni Richard** - December 03, 2022 at 05:03 PM

AH

“ April will always be remembered for her beautiful laughter, her wide smile, her sweet disposition and her inner bright light. She will be missed.

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**Angie Hebert** - December 02, 2022 at 03:33 PM

BT

“ *I am deeply saddened by the news of your loss. I pray that God will grant you the strength. My most sincere condolences.* ”

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**Bridget Thomas** - December 02, 2022 at 01:38 PM