



Debra Frances Dretar

September 26, 1951 - January 18, 2016

Debra Frances Dretar on January 18, 2016. She was 64, a native of Scranton, Pennsylvania and a resident of New Orleans for the past 40 years. Debra graduated from Marywood College with a B.S. degree in Biology and from George Washington University with a M.S. degree in Microbiology. She was liaison for the Secretary of the Interior and when sent to New Orleans she served as the first female environmental scientist to study Offshore Drilling in the Gulf of Mexico. Debra wrote a two volume Environmental Impact Statement on Offshore Drilling in the Gulf of Mexico for the Federal Government which continue to be used today.

Beloved daughter of Frances Edna Meisko Dretar and the late John Dretar.
Sister of Kenneth John Dretar.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in the chapel of L. A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home, 2607 Williams Blvd., Kenner on Friday, February 12, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. followed by interment in Lake Lawn Park Cemetery. Visitation at the funeral home after 9:00 a.m. on Friday.

Cemetery Details

Lake Lawn Park Cemetery

5100 Ponchartrain Blvd.
New Orleans, LA 70124

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 12. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall



“ *Debra Frances Dretar*

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM



“ *Although unable to be there in person certainly with you in my heart to say goodbye to a special, one of a kind lady. It is hard to imagine such a vital life force no longer with us. She made a mark on my life. May our memories comfort all of us - especially Kenneth and her Mother. Happy she is on a new wondrous venture now. With love, Virginia Donaghey*

Virginia Dinaghey - February 12, 2016 at 11:25 PM

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“ I sincerely send my deepest condolences to Mr. Kenneth Dretar and the other members of the Dretar family regarding their loss. Debbie was an active member of our neighborhood community and fought shoulder to shoulder with us in our attempts to Preserve our historic neighborhood by attending city planning commission meetings and speaking out against the corrupt practices being imposed by city hall. She wrote numerous letter spelling out the legality of our positions. She demonstrated with her words and her actions. We in the Esplanade Ridge/ Treme Civic will always be grateful for her generous assistance and fraternity. She will truly be missed but not forgotten . Michele Braden and all of the members of the Esplanade Ridge/Treme Civic Association.

michele braden - February 12, 2016 at 12:53 AM



“ Debra was a loving, kind, giving lady. I first met her after Hurricane Katrina and I considered her to be family. She will be sadly missed but Never Forgotten. Rest In Peace Sweetie. Love ya. S. Ordogne

Sheron Likesfood - February 10, 2016 at 08:02 PM