

Kathryn Bandeka

Kathryn Frances Bandeka, 71, passed away Nov. 13, 2010 at her home. She was born Jan. 14, 1939 in Paguate, New Mexico, and had lived in Barstow for 63 years.

Kathryn worked as a teachers aid for the Barstow Unified School District, retiring from Barstow Middle School after 32 years. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church for many years, and belonged to the Barstow Indian Women's Club in the 1960's.

Kathryn's favorite thing to do was to go to Las Vegas and play the slot machines. She also was a big supporter of her grandchildren, and went to all their school activities.

Surviving Kathryn are her husband of 51 years, Arthur of Barstow; children, Tammy Hardison and her husband, Ronald of Victorville, Christine Ekenbarger and her husband, Robert of Barstow, Arthur Bandeka Jr. of Arizona, and Karen Meetze and her husband, Jerry of Connecticut; grandchildren, Stepanie Ontiveros and her husband, Raymond of Colorado, Jennifer and Amanda Hardison of Colorado, Nicholas and Kaitlyn Brobst and Christopher and Abigail Ekenbarger, all of Barstow; and great-grandchildren, Audrey and Ava Ontiveros of Colorado; sister, Alberta Brown and her husband, Angus of New Mexico; brother, George Torivio and his wife, Bernadette of San Francisco; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Services for Kathryn will be at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 505 E. Mt. View. Visitation will be on Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2010 at 6 p.m. with Rosary to follow at 7 p.m. The Funeral Mass will be on Nov. 17, 2010 at 10 a.m., with burial to follow at Mt. View Memorial Park, 37067 Irwin Road.

Donations in memory of Kathryn may be made to Hospice, c/o VNA of the Inland Counties, 222 E. Main St., Suite 112, Barstow, CA 92311. Please annotate Barstow on the check.

Arrangements are by Mead Mortuary, 760-2556-5671. Please visit the online tribute at <u>www.meadmortuary.com</u>.

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