



Leona "Toot" Maxine Buzzard

June 9, 1957 - November 23, 2025

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Leona "Toot" Maxine Buzzard, born June 9, 1957, in Auburn, Indiana, passed away in Lafayette, Louisiana, wrapped in the love of her family. She moved through life with a gentle strength — steady, warm, and just stubborn enough to stand her ground when it counted. If she loved you, she held onto you with her whole heart.

Leona showed her love through simple, steady acts. She cooked the kind of meals that drew people home, no matter how long they'd been gone. She sewed with hands that knew how to mend more than fabric. Her home carried its own quiet magic — the kind built from warmth, good food, familiar smells, and the feeling of being welcomed without question.

She had a way of seeing the world that held a little wonder in it. She gravitated toward stories of courage and storms, of people finding their way back to what mattered most. She loved the tales where someone whispered, "There's no place like home," because she believed that down to her bones. She admired characters who followed unexpected paths with heart and bravery — the ones who learned that sometimes the road you didn't plan on leads you exactly where you need to be.

And she connected to the souls who looked into a spinning sky with awe, smiling as they said, “It’s the wonder of nature, baby!” That sense of amazement mirrored her own spirit — her curiosity, her resilience, and her way of finding beauty even in chaos.

There was enchantment in the way she lived her life. She knew how to stay calm in the middle of trouble, how to hold steady while the winds of life swirled, and how to remind others that home wasn’t a house — it was the people you loved. Her family will always remember how her eyes softened at the same scenes, how she knew each line by heart, and how those stories seemed to settle her spirit.

Leona is survived by her brother, her children, her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and a large extended family who loved her deeply.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mary Ellen and Ralph; her brothers Ed and Mike; and her sister Deb.

Her legacy lives on in the traditions she created, the meals she cooked, the things she made with her hands — and in the small bits of magic she left behind: the stories she loved, the comfort she gave, and the reminder that even after the longest journey, we all find our way home.

And now, carried by the winds she watched with wonder, she follows her own bright, winding path — steady, hopeful, and finally home.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Cypress Funeral Home & Crematory, 206 W. Lafayette St., Maurice, LA 70555.

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“ From Alyssa Krider aka Shorty planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leona "Toot" Maxine Buzzard.

From Alyssa Krider aka Shorty - November 24, 2025 at 03:27 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leona "Toot" Maxine Buzzard.



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“ Jon Abigail and Mary-ellen Cole planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leona "Toot" Maxine Buzzard.

Jon Abigail and Mary-ellen Cole - November 24, 2025 at 02:00 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leona "Toot" Maxine Buzzard.



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