



## Douglas David Barras

February 5, 1963 - April 24, 2020

Douglas David Barras, 57, beloved father, brother, uncle, friend, passed away peacefully at his residence on Friday, April 24, 2020.

A drive thru viewing will be held Saturday, May 2, at Martin & Castille's Southside location from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Guests will be allowed to drive through the rear portico of the funeral home, but please remain inside your vehicles. Guests will be allowed inside, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM. However, with regards to COVID-19 mandates, attendance will be limited to 10 people at a time. The Very Reverend Chester C. Arceneaux, VF, will conduct a private graveside service. Once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted, a time to celebrate Doug's life will be announced.

Doug will lovingly be remembered by his best friend and life partner, Sue Regan, and their daughters, Michelle Gonzalez and her husband Walter, and Jennifer Zamani; his sisters, Cynthia Gallet and her husband, Glenn, and Brenda Barras and her husband Laurence De Pledge; his brothers, Brent Barras and his wife, Joan, and Pat Barras and his wife Alethea; his nieces and nephews, Ricky Gallet and his son Gavin, Kristy Gallet, Mallory Beckham and her daughter Izzy, Mason McCombie, Laurent De Pledge, Fernando De Pledge, Zsasha De Pledge, Natasha De Pledge, Ryan Barras, Taylor Barras, Hunter Barras, Timothy Trahan and his wife Heather and their daughters Autumn and Vayda, Kyle Barras (Godchild) and Morgan Barras.

Doug was eagerly awaiting the arrival of his granddaughter, Genevieve Elizabeth Gonzalez, who will be making her grand entrance in August.

He will joyously be greeted in Heaven by his parents P.O. and Jeanelle Ancelet Barras; his nephew and Godchild, Dusty Gallet; and his beloved fur babies Tiny and CoCo.

A resident of Lafayette, Louisiana for most of his life, Doug was a loving character. A devoted father and Executive Chef he was a graduate of Northside High School class of '81 (Stolthet) and Delgado Community College culinary school who loved making

connections with people through food. In fact Doug's love of cooking began at the age of five making homemade French fries in the family kitchen. Thanks to his work at the Hotel Intercontinental, Doug was able to travel to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and study under the renowned Chef Alfredo, learning many techniques in Italian cuisine. Upon his return to the states, he was the Executive Chef at Camellia Grill in Abbeville, Bocaccio's Restaurant (Townhouse) in Lafayette and The Hilton before moving onto Mr. Lester's. His most recent assignment was thru OSA pleasing palettes on offshore platforms. His ability to make all who came in contact with him laugh was one of the things that made him so special. Doug lived life to the fullest. He loved to go on cruises with his family and go crabbing to ensure his daughters knew how to catch and cook their dinner. He was passionate about Christmas and anything Christmas related, so much so that he could be found being Santa Clause in parades, various events, and venues.

Doug was also an Eagle Scout and was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

A heartfelt appreciation is extended by the Barras family to Doug's good friend, Mitch Talley.

In lieu of flowers contributions can be made in Doug's name to Miles Perret Cancer Services, your local food bank, or by spending time making memories with family and friends. Or take a cruise in his honor.

Martin & Castille-SOUTHSIDE-600 E. Farrel Rd., Lafayette, LA 70508, 337-984-2811

# Events

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**MAY** **Drive Through Viewing** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Martin & Castille Funeral Home - Southside Location  
600 East Farrel Rd., Lafayette, LA, US, 70508

**MAY** **Visitation** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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# Comments

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“ It was always a joy to see you at family gatherings. You were always pleasant to be around, never a harsh word. You will be greatly missed. Rest in Peace. Love, Joan Barras



Joan Barras - May 01 at 11:36 PM

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“ Doug was an amazing father to Michelle and I. He wasn't just a guy acting like our parent, he was better, because he specifically picked our family to love and cherish. We will always love you Doug.

Love,  
Your girls



Jennifer Zamani - April 30 at 12:43 PM

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“ Shreveport Convention Center Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Douglas David Barras.



Shreveport Convention Center Family - April 30 at 11:33 AM

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“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Douglas David Barras.



April 29 at 01:36 PM

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“ Doug was a true friend to all of us who worked with him at the Lafayette Hilton!! Never ever a dull moment when Doug was around!! Will miss you until we meet again!! Much Love, Sue Bayard

**Sue Bayard** - April 27 at 07:25 PM

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“ Doug was not my student at NHS; however, he appeared in my classroom across the hall from his typing class daily. I would walk him back to typing, but he would beat me back across the room. I gave up and accepted him as "mine" because I loved being around him. My husband and I were able to visit with him numerous times after he became a chef. We are very sad about his passing. Our sympathies are with his family. Russ and Carole (Chandler) Stelly

**Carole (Chandler) Stelly** - April 27 at 06:32 PM



“ Doug, you were an inspiration to me, especially in band when there were no uniforms big enough to fit us. Lol You made me realize that it didn't matter. Our high school memories are forever and oh so hilarious. Love always, Viv!

**Vivian Landry** - April 29 at 08:02 PM

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“ Truly saddened to hear of Doug's passing. I pray that he's at peace with our creator by his side. Todd D.

**Todd D.** - April 27 at 09:19 AM

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“ I was saddened to hear about Doug's passing. We went to NHS together, and I heard about it through another NHS classmate. Too young-too soon.  
Nita Bennett Kidd, NHS class of 1982

**Juanita Kidd** - April 26 at 08:37 PM