



## John Ray LaPointe

July 24, 1936 - August 17, 2020

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 3:00 PM, on Friday, August 21, 2020, at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Lafayette, for Mr. John Ray LaPointe, 84, who peacefully passed away Monday evening, August 17, 2020 at his residence in Lafayette, with loved ones at his side.

The family requests that visitation be observed in Martin & Castille's SOUTHSIDE location on Friday, August 21, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM.

A Rosary will be prayed by the Knights of Columbus, Fatima St. Mary, Council 3470, on Friday, August 21, 2020 at 11:00 AM in Martin & Castille Funeral Home.

Entombment will be in St. Alphonsus Mausoleum in Maurice.

Reverend Mario Romero, Pastor of Holy Cross Catholic Church, will serve as Celebrant of the Mass and conduct the funeral services.

Cherishing his memory include his beloved wife of 61 years, Mrs. Hazel Broussard LaPointe; two daughters, Sandy LaPointe Phillips and her husband Roger, and Charlotte LaPointe Wynn and her husband Bryan; a brother, Daniel LaPointe and his wife, Jeanne; his grandchildren, Taylor Wynn, Brennan Wynn(Claudia), Julia Duke and Jessica Duke.

Mr. LaPointe was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. Simonet LaPointe and Mrs. Louise Duhon LaPointe; his paternal grandparents, Mr. Lodois LaPointe and Mrs. Olita Pontiff; and his maternal grandparents, Mr. Duplesis Duhon and Louisa Montet.

Mr. Ray was a resident of Lafayette, Louisiana for most of his life. He was born on July 24, 1936 in Milton. He was a graduate of Milton High School, Class of 1954 and also a graduate with a degree in accounting from SLI. He proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army with an honorable discharge. Ray practiced accounting for 57 years, most notably, he was the owner of LaPointe Bookkeeping and Tax Service

here in Acadiana.

Ray was a 4th Degree Knight, with The Knights of Columbus, Fatima St. Mary, Council 3470. He was an active parishioner of St. Jules Catholic Church and recently Holy Cross Catholic Church. He was gifted with a special devotion to his faith, never missing his mass and praying his rosary faithfully. Ray was a proud member of Krewe of Triton and served as King Triton XII. His hobbies included hunting, fishing, cooking gumbo, attending UL, LSU, and the New Orleans Saints sporting events. His passion in life was working and spending time with his family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him and memories of him will be cherished for a lifetime.

Upholding the honor of pallbearers will be Roger Phillips, Bryan Wynn, Taylor Wynn, Brennan Wynn, Brady Blonkvist and Nick Miller.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Daniel LaPointe and Lynn Broussard.

Memorial contributions can be made in Mr. John Ray LaPointe's name to Hospice of Acadiana, 2600 Johnston Street, Suite 200, Lafayette, Louisiana, 70503, [www.hospiceacadiana.com](http://www.hospiceacadiana.com)

A heartfelt appreciation is extended by the LaPointe family to Hospice of Acadiana and his compassionate caregivers, Megan Chaudhry and Tara Laxey.

View the obituary and guestbook online at [www.mourning.com](http://www.mourning.com)

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

# Cemetery

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# Events

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**St. Alphonsus Mausoleum** **AUG**

8700 Maurice Ave.  
Maurice, LA, 70555

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**Visitation**

09:00AM - 02:30PM

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

**AUG**

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**Rosary**

11:00AM - 11:30AM

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600 East Farrel Rd., Lafayette, LA, US, 70508

**AUG**

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**Funeral Mass**

03:00PM - 04:00PM

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Holy Cross Catholic Church  
415 Robley Dr., Lafayette, LA, US, 70503

# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**Martin & Castille Funeral Home** - August 20, 2020 at 05:06 PM

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“ Privileged to have you as a grandpa! All four of us grandchildren are! To be surrounded by the love and care you had for everyone in our family was truly a blessing. Whether rising up early in the morning, learning how to operate a tractor, to baiting a fishing hook for the first time, even looking in the crowd to see you and gran at our baseball games; you were always our support and our rock. I love you Pop, truly can't express that enough! You will be dearly missed! Promise we will be looking after Gran the way you always looked out for us!



**Taylor Wynn** - August 21, 2020 at 02:24 PM



“ That is so so sweet!

**Meagan Chaudhry** - August 21, 2020 at 03:13 PM

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“ Pop you were always there for us grandchildren. I remember when the family would be out in the country you would be hovering over the pot of gumbo and I would always want to stand next to you and learn your secret. I will never forget my first Couchon De Lait and the time you let me go in for a taste only to yipe and scare me. Those moments where you trusted me and Taylor to ride the tractors and cut the grass. I always appreciated helping you out. There was my first time fishing in the bayou where we got stuck in the mud and we had to push ourselves out. You were such a kind and caring person, and I have yet to meet someone who gives as much as you. I remember at my house of blues show when I was on stage and I looked up on the balcony and saw you and mom sitting there with the biggest smiles on your face and I can't express how much that meant to me. Thinking about you overwhelms me with happiness and positive emotions. Claudia was honored to have gotten the chance to know you over the past 10 years. She always felt such a warm welcome, acceptance, and love from you. We were talking the other day and acknowledging your love for dogs. Lucy always loved coming to the country and hearing you call her toot toot. We love you so much and will never forget you. The memories will roll forever and we will keep mom strong.

**Brennan Wynn** - August 21, 2020 at 02:22 PM



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**Meagan Chaudhry** - August 21, 2020 at 03:14 PM

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“ John Ray (“Pop,” as I was privileged to call him) was a man who cared about his family. His grandsons, Brennan and Taylor Wynn, were two of my best friends growing up and I got to know their extended family (Roger, Sandy, Jessica, & Julia) fairly well as we got older. Throughout our childhood, I spent time around Pop both in Destrehan and in Lafayette and he always treated me like one of the family. It was an honor to see the way he loved and cared for his family. We are all better for having known and spent time with him. I am incredibly thankful for Pop’s life and I have so much love for the family that was so dear to him.

Praying the family would find comfort in the truth that in Jesus, we have an unshakeable hope of life after death. Love you guys.

23 Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." 24 Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, 26 and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" 27 She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

John 11:23-27

-Nick Barnfield

Nick Barnfield - August 20, 2020 at 10:53 PM

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“ I'm sure as many of you know, Pop (the name we gave him and one that stuck), had four grandchildren. Two sets of twins - how special (yet canaille)! We were blessed with the most involved "pop" - one that would take us to school, take us to the country, spend hours upon hours teaching us the gumbo recipe, and more than anything, push us to be the best we can be. He moved me into college my freshman year at UT - he tied everything with a rope to make sure it wouldn't fall apart on the way into the dorm. It was questionable...but it worked. Let me just say - this man was resourceful, he was intelligent, he was a storyteller, and he loved us and Christ more than anything. We knew he was always there to help, and to listen. He was someone to lean on. He also loved himself a Mardi Gras ball, so in his honor, this is a celebration of Pop! The man who gave everyone everything in him! We adore you, laisses les bon temps rouler, Pop! -Julia



Julia Duke - August 20, 2020 at 09:30 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Ray LaPointe.



August 20, 2020 at 08:42 PM

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“ I’ve had the pleasure of knowing John “Pop” for the past 7 years. He was a very positive person who like never heard complain about anything. Come to think of it, I can’t remember a single time together when he wasn’t cheerful and wearing a smile. Especially when he was cooking his famous gumbo, for two or a crowd. And how the crowds would gather for a bowl of his gumbo! He clearly loved the process and everyone else loved the results. To this day I haven’t had a cup to match his. One of my fondest memories with Pop was when he served as King Triton XII. The weekend wasn’t “all about him” like most people would make it. His was only focused on making sure everyone around him was enjoying themselves. Pop set a great example of how to love life and treat others the way you would want to be treated. I learned a lot in my years getting to know him, and I feel blessed for every moment we had. He will be missed by many. Especially me.

~Brady Blonkvist

**Brady Blonkvist** - August 20, 2020 at 07:30 PM



“ Love this, Brady! Pop loved you - and it's true an award winning gumbo indeed.

**Julia Duke** - August 20, 2020 at 09:32 PM

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“ Lisa & Tim Blonkvist purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Ray LaPointe.



**Lisa & Tim Blonkvist** - August 20, 2020 at 06:19 PM

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“ 89 files added to the album LifeTributes



Martin & Castille Funeral Home - August 20, 2020 at 04:58 PM

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August 20, 2020 at 03:47 PM

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“ Hey Sandy, It's Bret...just heard the news about the passing of your dad. I'm so sorry about this.

I met Mr.Ray through my grandfather in 2006. I think they knew each other since the 60's or maybe even earlier and mingled for many years at my grandfathers business, Pointe Coupee Lumber Company (located on Cameron St). Also, I think that your dad did the trim and woodwork in my grandfathers house, as I recall your dad talking about a new type of window trim design he custom made for my grandfathers house, many years ago. Being so shocked that your dad remembered this, I ended up removing the actual trim piece during renovation and gave it to your dad while meeting with him at his Oil Center office.

Your dad was a super nice man and I'm very sorry for you and your families loss. Although the loss of any family member is something we never want to happen, I know that you will be able to find peace in knowing that many in this town thought highly of Mr. Ray + I know that your 2018 move back home allowed you to be here & close for him.

Please pass this along to your mom, as our prayers are with her, as well.

Brett Resweber - August 20, 2020 at 01:01 PM

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“ Dear Sandy and Roger,  
Yasi and Kiki texted me to tell me of your sad news. I am so sorry to hear that. Your mom , Roger, Jessica and Julia must be devastated. I know he was your rock and he loved you all to the moon and back. My twinkies loved him too as they knew he loved them and kept a photo of them in his wallet. I wish I was closer so I could give you a big hug and share some stories of his big and wonderful life. Please take care and keep safe and give my love to all the family. Xx

Sue Shiwach - August 20, 2020 at 12:57 PM

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“ RAY  
Hazel, I sadly read Ray's obituary this morning. Although I was aware of Ray's declining health, but that did not sink in until I saw the obituary. While we think we are prepared for the loss of a loved one, we never really are ready. So, I know that you and your daughters and grandchildren are grieving through the loss of this very special husband, father and grandfather. Please accept my condolences and extend same to Charlotte, Sandy, and your grandchildren. We were all blessed to have had Ray in our lives! He was such a unique, talented person whose loyalty, integrity and honesty served so many people and set an example of how to conduct business and live life. I was proud to call Ray a friend.  
Please let me know if I can help in any way. I will be thinking of you and your daughters as you conduct the rites to celebrate Ray's life and mourn his passing.  
With sympathy,  
Jeff Moss

Jeff Moss - August 20, 2020 at 12:49 PM

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“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Ray LaPointe.



August 20, 2020 at 09:25 AM

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“ Mr. Ray was a friend of my father and was very kind and helpful to my mother after Dad's death. His expertise helped my parents in both their business and personal taxes and accounting. He did my taxes for years and was always the nicest, most polite person. He was a true gentleman. My condolences to his loved ones. Rest in peace, Mr. Ray.

Mary Speyrer - August 20, 2020 at 09:01 AM

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“ From: Dylan J Scott purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of John Ray LaPointe.



From: Dylan J Scott - August 19, 2020 at 10:12 PM

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“ Beverly, Todd and the SES team purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of John Ray LaPointe.



Beverly, Todd and the SES team - August 19, 2020 at 03:25 PM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Ray LaPointe.



August 19, 2020 at 02:49 PM

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“ Frances, Dean, Linda & Debra purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of John Ray LaPointe.



Frances, Dean, Linda & Debra - August 19, 2020 at 11:57 AM

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“ Mrs. Hazel, Sandy, Charlotte and family - My sincerest and deepest condolences. Please let me know if there's anything I can do.

Chris A. Verret - August 19, 2020 at 10:29 AM

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“ So sorry to hear of Mr. Ray's passing. His accounting outfit did my payroll and bookkeeping for several years. He was always eager to talk and friendly toward me. I once asked him how long he planned to be in business and his reply was, as long as I can. My condolences go out to his family and may God hold you in the palm of his hand.  
Matt Speyrer

Matthew Speyrer - August 19, 2020 at 10:27 AM

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“ Liskow & Lewis Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John Ray LaPointe.



Liskow & Lewis Family - August 19, 2020 at 09:55 AM

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“ So sorry to hear about Mr. Ray. May his soul rest in eternal peace & love. I hope sweet memories will bring you comfort.  
Julie Benoit Cormier

Julie Cormier - August 19, 2020 at 09:30 AM

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“ My sincerest sympathy on the loss of Ray. He was an awesome cousin. I will be praying for the repose of Ray's soul, as well as the entire family. May our Heavenly Father comfort you during this most difficult time.  
Your cousin  
Glenda Trahan Ruiz



Glenda Ruiz - August 18, 2020 at 07:03 PM

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“ LaPointe & Sonnier Bkcp (Adam, Jackie, Donna) purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of John Ray LaPointe.



LaPointe & Sonnier Bkcp (Adam, Jackie, Donna) - August 18, 2020 at 05:07 PM