



Randel R.J. Gauthreaux

December 15, 1927 - August 20, 2020

A Private Mass of Christian Burial will be held for Mr. Randel R.J. Gauthreaux on Monday, August 24, 2020, at 3:00 PM in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. R.J. was surrounded by his loving family and was 92 years old when he passed away at his residence on Thursday, August 20, 2020 in Lafayette.

The family requests that visitation be observed in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church on Monday, August 24, 2020 from 1:30 PM to 2:45 PM. Family requests that we respect the church rules by wearing a mask.

Due to COVID 19 mandates, the family would like to keep the services and visitation for family only, however they would like to invite you to pray a rosary in RJ's name in the comfort of your home.

Entombment will be in St. John Mausoleum.

Monsignor J. Douglas Courville, JCL, Pastor of St. Stephen Catholic Church in Berwick, will conduct the funeral services.

Survivors include his beloved wife of 72 years, Mrs. Era Daigle Gauthreaux of Lafayette; his son, Dr. Randy Gauthreaux and his wife Elizabeth; his daughter, Janet Gauthreaux Parker and her former husband John; his son, Jason Gauthreaux and his former wife Dena; his son, Glenn Gauthreaux and his wife Jade; his son, Dr. Scott Gauthreaux and his wife Kelley; his grandchildren, Corey Gauthreaux and his wife Chelsey, Lauren LaFosse and her husband Clayton, Kyle Gauthreaux and his wife Alysia, Ellen Brown and her husband Philip, Melanie Parker, Collin Parker, Jenna Gauthreaux, Grant Gauthreaux, Hayes Gauthreaux, Cole Gauthreaux; his six great-grandchildren; his brother, Ralph Gauthreaux and his wife, Leona and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mr. Gauthreaux was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. Kearny Gauthreaux and Mrs. Olive Domingue Gauthreaux and his eight brothers.

R.J. proudly served our great nation in the United States Marine Corps. He was a self taught oil painter, wood carver and piano player. He enjoyed fixing things around the house and if he did not know how to fix something he researched the issue and fixed it. His grandchildren always said "Papa G can fix anything." Once he retired as the managing partner of Stop & Shop Convenience Stores & Bar-B-Q, he purchased land in the country where he built a house and a barn so we could finally have horses and he could grow a big garden. The 7 G's Farm, quickly became the family meeting place where he cooked a great meal for every gathering. His greatest joy was spending time with his family whether at the farm, sporting events or at school activities.

Pallbearers will be Randy Gauthreaux, Jason Gauthreaux, Glenn Gauthreaux, Scott Gauthreaux, Corey Gauthreaux, Collin Parker, Kyle Gauthreaux and Grant Gauthreaux.

Memorial contribution can be made to Cathedral-Carmel School in Mr. RJ's name.

A heartfelt appreciation is extended by the Gauthreaux family to his sitters and the entire staff of Grace Hospice for their tender care, compassion and guidance given to our loved one and our family during this difficult time.

View the obituary and guestbook online at www.mourning.com

Martin & Castille-DOWNTOWN-330 St. Landry St., Lafayette, LA 70506, 337-234-2311

Cemetery

St. John Mausoleum

914 St. John St.

Lafayette, LA, 70501

Comments



“ Please forgive me - meant to address condolences to glenn.
Gloria wronkowski

gloria wronkowski - December 09, 2020 at 12:48 AM



“ Dear randy,
I noticed your dad's obituary and just wanted to tell you sorry for your loss...
gloria parker wronkowski

gloria wronkowski - December 08, 2020 at 11:28 PM



“ Randy,
What a beautiful tribute to a wonderful man and uncle. May his family hold all the wonderful memories close to their hearts and may he rest in eternal peace in God's arms. Now he will be able to join his many brothers in Heaven and watch over us.

I remember the days past when all the brother's and their wives and children would gather at Mawmaw and Pawpaw Gauthreaux's home on Sunday's. I miss those good old days.

The family is in our prayers.

Best wishes,

Judy Gauthreaux LeBlanc daughter of Robert "Bobby" and Anna Burns Gauthreaux



Judy G LeBlanc - September 04, 2020 at 01:41 PM



“ My deepest condolences to you and your family Jason,

Take care,

Kim Cook

Kimberly Cook - August 25, 2020 at 01:47 PM



“ Robin Gautreaux Mentzer and Doug Mentzer shared your loss and pray for the Gauthreaux

Robin Mentzer - August 24, 2020 at 03:26 PM



“ My dad was always organized. He planned his days, upcoming events, his future, even to the details of his funeral. He knew his passing would be especially difficult for my mom so at his services he wanted no eulogies, no photos of him with the family, no videos, all things that would make the moment much more difficult for my mom. For that reason I thought I would eulogize him in this setting.

Very few people are able to balance what I call the cross of life - work, play, love, and worship. My dad lived this balance every day of his life. After he and mom were married on Sept. 5, 1948 he entered the United States Marine Corps .After he served his time he began his career as a sales rep for Armour and Co. which at the time was one of the largest meat packing companies in the country. It's that job that would introduce him to Buddy Johnson. Together they would open a chain of grocery stores called "Stop[& Shop Store and Bar-B-Q". After more than 30 years as the managing partner they sold the business and he retired in his late 50's. Dad began each day by fixing breakfast for his children and then working to all hours. When his day job was over five kids and a busy household created more work for him.

Despite a hectic career he did find time for play whether it was taking the family to drive-in movies, going to Borden's, or hunting and fishing, and little league sports. After retiring he bought land in the country that provided many memories of horseback riding, hiking thru the surrounding cane fields , weekend suppers, and overnight stays at his camp in the country.

Love was certainly obvious in the 72 years he held my mother"s hand. He loved his children and in later years especially loved taking his grandchildren on all sorts of adventures. All of his grand and great grandchildren were always anxious to spend time with "Papa G" as he was known to them.

And finally God was a daily partner in his life. More than once he advised me to keep God in my life and that things would always work out. Sunday Mass and kneeling down beside his bed to pray before sleep every night was a given. Charity and helping others as God taught us was part of his daily life.

My dad was a great father, a great man, and ultimately a great role model. As his great grandchildren grow older we will be sure they come to know him and love him as we have. Rest in peace Papa G

Love Randy

RANDY GAUTHREAUX - August 23, 2020 at 10:09 PM



“ What a beautiful tribute Randy.
Your Dad was truly one of the kindest men if ever met. May our loving God grant him eternal rest.

Todd Metrejean - August 24, 2020 at 12:28 AM



“ What a wonderful tribute for a wonderful man. I have great memories of time spent with Pappa G. He always made me smile. I am thinking of ya'll today, and will say a rosary for him. Lots of Love Uncle Randy, and too everyone.

Amy Crain - August 24, 2020 at 12:41 PM



“ A beautiful tribute, Randy. I did not have the honor of knowing your dad, but upon reading this, I've received a good understanding of who he was and of his character. You could not have asked for a better dad. He taught you everything that is important in life. And knowing you through the years, my friend, you have leaned well.

Ann Dupree

Ann Dupree - August 24, 2020 at 01:42 PM



“ Sorry for your family's loss. I'm Andrew's grandson Travis.

Travis Boudreaux DeeAnn Gautreaux's son - August 24, 2020 at 02:31 PM



“ What a loving tribute to a wonderful man. May you family hold sweet memories close to their hearts and may he rest in eternal peace and love.

Jack & Julie Cormier

Julie Cormier - August 24, 2020 at 08:07 PM



“ Peace be with you all during this most difficult time.

Cindy Gomez - August 25, 2020 at 09:14 PM



“ SENDING OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO THE GAUTHREAUX FAMILY
CONNIE AND MAC FIGUERON

connie richard figueron - August 23, 2020 at 03:20 PM



“ Jason, Glen, Scott and family,

I always had great respect for your dad. He was always very kind every time I spoke with him and was very generous in allowing my family to go to the farm and ride horses.

Tonya and I hope you are all at peace in knowing that he is now with God.

Tony Billeaud - August 23, 2020 at 12:31 PM



“ 1 file added to the album The Gauthreaux Family



SCOTT THOMAS GAUTHREAUX - August 22, 2020 at 11:09 AM



“ Janet and family,

We are so sorry for your loss- May you hold on to the great memories and be comforted in knowing that his spirit lives on. “Papa G” was an amazing and guiding force in so many lives. I recall a few visits to the country place when my children came to visit their cousins Melanie and Collin. They rode horses, fed horses, ran through the fields, ate fantastic food, relaxed and giggled as children should. Even in brief encounters, he mentored them in a way that only Papa G could, left an impact on their growing personalities. His heart was so kind, patient, and caring. I know his legacy lives on in his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, as well as so many others that were fortunate to have know him.

“Just when the caterpillar thought his life was over, he became a butterfly.” I think God has created a new breed of butterfly named Papa G, and he is glistening in all the colors of a rainbow . Y’all were truly blessed to have him in your lives.

Mary Parker McElvain - September 13, 2020 at 01:39 PM



“ Mike and I send our deepest condolences to you Randy and your entire family. I will remember growing up down the street from your family always. Wonderful family. Prayers are with all of you.

Tannia Fournet - August 21, 2020 at 04:46 PM



“ Joe Stewart and John Shaffner purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Randel R.J. Gauthreaux.



Joe Stewart and John Shaffner - August 21, 2020 at 04:13 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Randel R.J. Gauthreaux.



August 21, 2020 at 12:59 PM



“ There were so many times I drove by his home and he was working in the yard. I'd stop and visit. Then there was the many functions at your house and when you lived next door to me that I visited with him. Then the many family functions at you current home, not to mention the party you put on for my mom when she was visiting. Then there were the times I saw your mom and dad walking the mall. It just goes on and on and on. He was just a wonderful man who filled many lives with a great smile and a kind word. The world needed many more people like him, he will be greatly missed.
Mike and Cathy Gold

Michael Gold - August 21, 2020 at 11:05 AM



“ Glenn and Gauthreaux family...I am sorry to hear of your dad's passing. I did not know him but I bet he was a wonderful husband, father & friend. I hope the memories of his life will be of some comfort. May God bless all of you at this difficult time and may he rest in peace! Take care. Sincere condolences. Laura Gerami



Laura Gerami - August 21, 2020 at 05:48 AM



“ I will remember Mr Randal with great fondness. He was so kind to me when I dated that rascal Glenn, inviting me for lunch often, sharing his vegetables and fruit with me and even hand carving for me a statue of what I would look like as an old lady :) He and Ms Era raised a wonderful family who I feel privileged to know. May perpetual light now shine upon Mr Randal. May sweet Ms Era and his family be consoled.

cheryl broussard perret - August 21, 2020 at 12:30 AM