



## Andrus Joseph Fontenot

July 28, 2020

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Rayne, LA - Funeral services will be held on Saturday, August 1, 2020 at 1:00 pm a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rayne, LA for Andrus Joseph Fontenot, 93, who died Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at The Ellington Nursing Home in Rayne, LA.

Interment will be in the St. Joseph Cemetery #2 in Rayne, LA.

Rev. Brent Smith, Pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church will be the Celebrant of the Funeral Mass and will conduct the funeral services. Deacon Denis LaCroix his nephew will be concelebrating.

He worked at Mervine Kahn in the men's and grocery department. He and Rose then went on to purchase the Duclos Insurance Agency in 1973 after working there for 10 years. He continued to work there until 2016 with his son Jimmy and daughter Pat.

Mr. Andrus was a proud member of the American Legion Post 77 of Rayne serving as commander and also maintained other officer positions. He was a member of the St. Joseph Society. He also served on the Credit Union board for over 40 years where he served as President for many of those years. He

served on the Hospital Board holding the title of President for many of those years. He was awarded the Boy Scout Silver Beaver award after serving as assistant Scout Master. Mr. Andrus was a member of the Ricebird Semi Pro baseball team. He enjoyed attending sporting events especially football and baseball. He loved working at his camp and hosting family gatherings. He served as Grand Marshall for the Rayne Frog Festival. Mr. Andrus also enjoyed traveling throughout the United States and Europe.

Survivors include three children, Bobby Fontenot and spouse Joy Lasseigne Fontenot, Pat Ann Fontenot, Jimmy Fontenot and spouse Norellie McFalls Fontenot, eight grandchildren, Robby Fontenot and spouse Mandi Fontenot, Renee Pisklak and spouse John Pisklak, Michael Fontenot and spouse Taylor Fontenot, Mark Fontenot and spouse Caroline Fontenot, Ryan Fontenot and spouse Ali Fontenot, Kyle Fontenot and spouse Lauren Fontenot, Tyler "T.J." Fontenot and spouse Laruren Fontenot, Kayla Deaville and spouse Trevor Deaville, two step grandchildren, Erin Swin, Aisliah Swim Seal, twenty great grandchildren, two sisters, Lillie Mae Fontenot, Mary Fontenot Broussard and spouse Nick.

He was preceded in death by wife, Rose LaCroix Fontenot, father, Lessin Fontenot, mother, Andrea Leger Fontenot, sister, Anna Belle Fontenot Thibodeaux, sister, Hazel Fontenot Trahan, sister, Elia Fontenot Sonnier, sister, Lourette Fontenot Hanks.

Pallbearers will be his grandsons, Robby Fontenot, Michael Fontenot, Mark Fontenot, Ryan Fontenot, Kyle Fontenot and Tyler "T.J." Fontenot. Honorary pallbearers will be his two grand son in laws, John Pisklak and Trevor Deaville.

A Rosary will be prayed Saturday, August 1, 2020 at 11:00 am in Gossen Funeral Home in Rayne, LA.

The family requests that visitation be observed in Gossen Funeral Home in Rayne LA on Saturday, August 1, 2020 from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm.

The Fontenot family would like to send a special expression of gratitude to the Ellington staff and residence and also to the therapists for making these last three years his home. Your love and support has meant the world to the Fontenot family.

Friends may view the obituary and guestbook online at [www.gossenfuneralhome.net](http://www.gossenfuneralhome.net).

Arrangements have been entrusted to Gossen Funeral Home, Inc. of Rayne, LA, (337) 334-3141.

Gossen Funeral Home, Inc.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 1. 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Gossen Funeral Home Inc.  
504 N. Polk Street  
Rayne, LA 70578  
(337) 334-3141  
info@gossenfuneralhome.net  
<http://gossenfh.funeralplan2.com/>

## Rosary

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## Mass

AUG 1. 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
401 S. Adams Ave.  
Rayne, LA 70578

## Cemetery

AUG 1 (CT)

St. Joseph Cemetery #2  
400 East Betty Street  
Rayne, LA

# Tribute Wall

GB

“ My husband was a storm adjuster who worked in Rayne, following a terrible hail storm. Both he and I were there around the Thanksgiving holiday that year. Mr. And Mrs. Fontenot invited us to share a Thanksgiving meal with them. They were wonderful people who treated us like we were their family. My husband and I returned to Rayne a few years after that and were able to see Mr. Fontenot again. Mrs. Fontenot had already been called to Heaven at that time. I'll always remember the beautiful mural that was painted on the wall of their office building. Heaven just gained another angel. Mr. Fontenot was a wonderful man. May God be with his family at this sad time. I will keep you in my prayers.

Georgia Bolus (wife of Reed Bolus) - August 26, 2020 at 02:37 PM

CT

“ I remember Andrus when I was just a young boy living in the country near the Andrus farm. When we moved to Rayne Andrus was once again part of my growing up when he was at Mervin Kahn and again when I was in scouting. It was with great sorrow that I heard of his passing from my sister, Everyone in my family knew and had great respect for him. I am sorry I was unable to be at the sevices due to the precaucations placed on us at this time. I will be praying for his family and his soul. Cleven Trahan, Lake Charles

Cleven J Trahan - August 07, 2020 at 01:03 PM

MF

“ Our sincere condolences to Bobby, Pat and Jimmy on the death of their father. So enjoyed seeing your dad at Mom's wake . May you find comfort knowing that he is resting in peace.  
Maureen and Paul Dewey Frey

Maureen Frey - August 05, 2020 at 11:24 AM

BP

*My condolences to your family for the lost Mr. Andrus. I know he is in a better place and watching over everyone of you.*  
*Bryan Petitjean*

**Bryan Petitjean** - August 05, 2020 at 11:43 AM

PD

“ *Peggy Domingue sent a virtual gift in memory of Andrus Joseph Fontenot*



**Peggy Domingue** - August 01, 2020 at 04:21 PM

BG

“ *Beth Goins lit a candle in memory of Andrus Joseph Fontenot*



**Beth Goins** - August 01, 2020 at 11:15 AM

KA

*I remember him from the American s Legión Hall bingo on Wednesday nights. He was always such an elegant mans and very sweet. Carried himself with such dignity and grace. Truly loved him.RIP*

**ken Arceneaux** - August 01, 2020 at 11:28 AM

JB

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Bobby, Jimmy and the entire Fontenot Family. There are so many great memories I have of Mr. Andrus. Most cherished are those times I shared with him involving anything associated with American Legion Baseball for Arceneaux Post 77. He as always such a positive inspiration for me and my family.

*Rest well Mr. Andrus .*

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**Jack Bonin** - July 31, 2020 at 10:42 AM



“ It is so hard to lose someone so special and dear to you. May God give you the strength to overcome the pain. Condolences to all the family. He sure was such a nice man.

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**Chris Simpson** - July 30, 2020 at 08:42 PM

BF

“ *Brenda Boudreaux Francis lit a candle in memory of Andrus Joseph Fontenot*



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**Brenda Boudreaux Francis** - July 30, 2020 at 11:44 AM

RG

“ *Rhonda Guidry lit a candle in memory of Andrus Joseph Fontenot*



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**Rhonda Guidry** - July 30, 2020 at 09:58 AM

JB

“ *Jena Bordes lit a candle in memory of Andrus Joseph Fontenot*



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**Jena Bordes** - July 30, 2020 at 09:24 AM

KV

“ *Rest In Peace Mr. Andrus Fontenot.  
Our Condolences Patricia and family.*

*From Kenneth and Donna Venable*

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**Kenneth Venable** - July 30, 2020 at 06:18 AM

MB

“ *Prayers for your families in these sad times of sorrow...May the  
Perpetual Light Shine Upon Him 🙏💖  
Amen  
Larry and Gay Bearb snd Family*

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**margaret bearb** - July 30, 2020 at 12:20 AM

DD

“ *Donna Deaville lit a candle in memory of  
Andrus Joseph Fontenot*



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**Donna Deaville** - July 29, 2020 at 11:36 PM

MB

“ Mr. Andrus was such a good and kind man and was held in very high esteem by our family. I will never forget how he and Mr Thevis came to my rescue when a tree limb landed on my car (for a 2nd time). They showed up with machinery needed to get it off and. It up the wood too. A great guy! My deepest condolences to the Fontenot family.

Mary Boudreaux - July 29, 2020 at 10:48 PM

KL

“ Jerry and I send deepest prayer and sympathy to the Fontenot family in this difficult time. Rayne has lost a true gem.

Karen Leonards - July 29, 2020 at 10:42 PM

BH

“ Deepest sympathy to the Fontenot family. Mr. Andre's will be deeply missed.



Beth Hebert - July 29, 2020 at 09:48 PM

MH

“ Our sincere thanks for his service to our country.

Monica & Ronald Helo - July 29, 2020 at 09:01 PM

AL

“ Deepest sympathy to the Fontenot family,, Mr. Andrus was a very sweet and caring man to me and my family. May he and Mrs. Rose unite in heaven together again.  
Aileen and TJ LaFleur

Aileen LaFleur - July 29, 2020 at 08:45 PM

CB

“ *This was such a sweetheart. I sure enjoyed him in the hallways. I loved receiving that gentle smile. So happy he is where we ALL want to be.*  
*May the good Lord give this family peace at this difficult time. Remember this is only time...Internal life is what we ALL need to look forward to.*

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**Charlene Bourque** - July 29, 2020 at 07:12 PM

CA

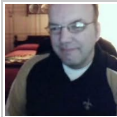
*My deepest sympathy goes out to Andrus's family. May he Rest In Peace.*

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**Clara Ann Avant** - July 29, 2020 at 07:42 PM

LS

*Spent many evenings at Notre Dame Athletic board meetings with Mr Andrus organizing the club in its early years. Always a willing volunteer. Thanks to your contributions to the club and school!*

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**Lee Seilhan** - July 29, 2020 at 09:21 PM



*My deepest condolences to Jimmy, and the Fontenot family. He was such a good sweet man.*

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**Joe Petitjean** - July 30, 2020 at 12:56 AM

JB

*So sorry for your loss. Praying for Mr. Andrus and your family.*

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**Jena Bordes** - July 30, 2020 at 09:24 AM

TS

*Rest in Peace Mr. Andrus. Our condolences to Bobby, Pat and Jimmy. Our are with you all.*  
*Tim and Beverley Sweeney*

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**Timothy L Sweeney** - August 03, 2020 at 10:49 PM