

Howard Joseph DeRouen, Jr.

October 8, 1931 - July 30, 2023

Howard Joseph DeRouen, Jr.

Rayne, LA - Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at a 10:00 am Mass of Christian Burial at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rayne for Howard Joseph DeRouen, Jr., 91, who died Sunday, July 30, 2023 at his residence in Scott, LA.

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

The Very Rev. Msgr. Russell Harrington, Pastor of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church will be the Celebrant of the Funeral Mass and will conduct the funeral services.

Howard served in the United States Army from January 1947 - July 1948 as a medic. He was a member of the American Legion Post 77 in Rayne, Son of the American Revolution member of Attakapas Chapter was inducted when he was 90 years old compatriot: Antonio Vincente Dominguez, Woodmen Life Chapter 31 Rayne for 74 years and held various offices for many years.

Survivors include wife of 8 years, Dorothy Prejean Stelly DeRouen, four children, Eurrella D. Cahanin and spouse Keith Cahanin, Bertha "Vickie" D. Besse and spouse Pierre Fredrick Besse, III, Howard J. DeRouen, III and

spouse Tina DeRouen, Dee DeRouen and spouse Amy DeRouen, eighteen grandchildren, thirty-three great grandchildren, three great great grandchildren, five step children, Brian Stelly and spouse Janice Stelly, Dianne S. Besse and spouse Peter Besse, Alane S. Gary and spouse Blake Gary, Perry Stelly, step son in law, Roland Credeur and spouse Susan Credeur, six step grandchildren, fourteen step great grandchildren, two sisters, Mary L. Guidry, Grace L. Guidry and spouse Merlin "Jack" Guidry.

He was preceded in death by his first wife of 62 years, Alma Guidry DeRouen, father, Howard Joseph DeRouen, mother, Bertha Mouton DeRouen LeJeune, two sisters, Carita DeRouen Guidry and spouse Joseph "Joe" Lawrence Guidry, Lou L. Venable and spouse Junior Venable, stepdaughter, Clara "Lynn" Stelly Credeur, two brothers-in-law, Mervin Guidry and spouse Rena Guidry, Bertrand Guidry, Jr. sister-in-law, Annie Mae G. Ogea.

Pallbearers will be Jared DeRouen, Justin DeRouen, Brandon Cahanin, Brian Stelly, Perry Stelly, Grant Medeiros.

A Rosary will be prayed Monday, July 31, 2023 at 6:00 pm in Gossen Funeral Home in Rayne, LA.

The family requests that visitation be observed in Gossen Funeral Home in Rayne, LA on Monday July 31, 2023 from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm and on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 from 8:00 am to 9:30 am.

In lieu of flowers donation can be made to Hospice of Acadiana, 2600 Johnson St., Suite 200, Lafayette, LA 70503, 337-232-1234

Friends may view the obituary and guestbook online at 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

JUL 31. 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

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AUG 1. 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM (CT)

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Mass

AUG 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

Cemetery

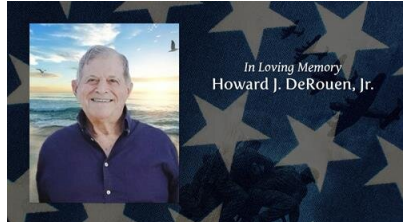
AUG 1 (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Gossen Funeral Home Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Howard Joseph DeRouen, Jr.*



Gossen Funeral Home Inc. - July 31, 2023 at 10:17 AM

GC

Our thoughts and prayers are with the DeRouen family during this difficult time.

Gussie and Melvin Clause

Gussie Clause - July 31, 2023 at 05:24 PM

WG

“ *MY condolences goes out to you Miss Dot and all you family for your loss. Love you all.*



Wade Gilbert - August 02, 2023 at 02:25 PM

AT

“ *I met Mr Howard and Ms Dot at the French speaking table at the Begnaud house in Scott last summer . What a sweet and humorous lil couple , he always had a smile ... Prayers to all of the family*



Amanda Tate - August 02, 2023 at 08:13 AM

BF

“ *Brenda B. Francis lit a candle in memory of Howard Joseph DeRouen, Jr.*



Brenda B. Francis - August 01, 2023 at 04:25 AM

KB

“ *Many blessings and prayers to Mr. Howard's family. I will always remember him as one of the nicest people I have ever met. I think anyone who knew him was the better for it. Kevin 'Troy' Besse*

Kevin Troy Besse - July 31, 2023 at 05:26 PM

RM

“ *Ronnie Myers lit a candle in memory of Howard Joseph DeRouen, Jr.*



Ronnie Myers - July 31, 2023 at 04:47 PM

RG

“ *Rhonda Guidry lit a candle in memory of Howard Joseph DeRouen, Jr.*



Rhonda Guidry - July 31, 2023 at 08:59 AM

JL

“ *My condolences to the family on the loss of Howard. A kind and pleasant person who was always happy to share a good word. May he rest in the arms of Jesus and our Blessard Mother eternally*

Jeanette Guidry Leger - July 30, 2023 at 10:23 PM

DS

My sympathy Dot to you n your family prayers your way RIP Mr Howard

Dorothea Sonnier - July 31, 2023 at 04:20 PM