



Myron Joseph Meche

February 25, 1963 - May 26, 2022

Myron Joseph Meche

Alexandria, VA - Funeral services will be held on Monday, June 6, 2022 at 1:00 pm at Gossen Funeral Home in Rayne, LA, for Myron Joseph Meche, 59, who died Thursday, May 26, 2022.

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

Deacon Denis LaCroix of St. Joseph Catholic Church will be the Celebrant of funeral services.

Myron Meche was born on February 25, 1963, in the town of Rayne, Louisiana, and passed away peacefully with his brother, Kevin, by his side on May 26, 2022 in Washington, D.C.

Myron grew up in his hometown where he was raised by a close-knit family with a deep-rooted cultural heritage and where he formed friendships that he carried with him throughout his life. After earning his degree in Political Science from Louisiana State University, Myron moved to Washington, D.C. He began his career as a Senate aide in the office of Senator Bennett Johnston. His incredible career includes roles as the Sr. Vice President of State and Industry Relations for the National Retail Federation, Director of

Grassroots and Constituent Relations for the National Mining Association, and Director of Congressional Relations and External Affairs within the Department of State. Myron then shifted his career to focus on humanitarian and relief efforts, and his work took him around the globe, often to communities most in need of help and resources. He served as a consultant for the U.S. Global Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria, and ended his career as the Director of Government Relations for Catholic Relief Services.

Myron was an avid golfer and was out on the course with friends every chance he had. He loved watching football and was an especially loyal fan of the Saints and LSU. He was happiest spending time surrounded by close friends, and his giving personality shone through in his relationships. He savored every opportunity to open his home and to share his Cajun cooking and culture with his loved ones in D.C., and friends always looked forward to his annual Thanksgiving celebrations. Almost every evening was spent on his front porch for 'Happy Hour' at the 'Benni Bar,' named after Myron's catahoula, Beignet. Myron rescued 'Benni' in January 2021 - though he would tell you that they rescued each other.

Myron's love for his family was unparalleled. He would always look forward to his visits home and to the fresh batch of brownies his mother, Verline, would have waiting for him. He deeply valued his long phone conversations with his brothers, Kevin and Blaine, whose physical distance never took away from the closeness they shared. Myron, better known as 'Parrain' to his three godchildren, Amy, Adam, and Gracie, treated them like they were his own children. He formed and nurtured unique bonds with all of them, and offered guidance, support, and love when it was most needed - and always.

Myron is survived by a loving family: his mother Verline and father Hilman, his brother Blaine, his brother Kevin and wife Lorraine, his niece and goddaughter

Amy, his nephew and godson Adam and wife Sara, his goddaughter Gracie and her sisters Amelia and Eloise, and his dog Beignet. He is also survived by his closest friends, who are truly his extended family: Christi, Dana and Leslie, Mark and Rita, Michael, Jody, and Raymond, as well as many others.

A Rosary will be prayed Sunday, June 5, 2022 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 Sunday, June 5, 2022 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm and on Monday, June 6, 2022 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

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.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery #2

400 East Betty Street
Rayne, LA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 5. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Rosary

JUN 5. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

JUN 6. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Service

JUN 6. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gossen Funeral Home Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Myron Joseph Meche*



Gossen Funeral Home Inc. - June 04, 2022 at 02:00 PM

ME

RIP Myron: you will truly be missed. You have touched many people's hearts.

Michelle & David Ehrett

Mchelle Ehrett - June 08, 2022 at 02:19 PM

JC

“ *May he rest in peace.*

Jude Cole - August 04, 2022 at 01:28 PM

LM

“ Dear Meche Family,
The whole Government Relations team at USCCB was so saddened at the loss of our dear friend and colleague, Myron. We have been praying for him for several weeks and now pray for the repose of his soul, and for special comfort for all those who grieve this great loss. I will always remember Myron's humble, kind way, his great contributions to the mission of the Church, and efforts to make the world a better place for the poorest among us. I pray that all who knew Myron would be inspired to emulate his servant heart, and pray that Myron will now help us from heaven. We had a Mass said for him on May 26 and will have another Mass said for the repose of his soul, likely on June 13, at the Mary, Mother of the Church Chapel at the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. We are deeply blessed to have shared time and fellowship with Myron. May God bless and comfort you always.
Sincerely,
Lauren McCormack

Lauren McCormack - June 08, 2022 at 11:50 AM

CD

“ *Carlie Dua lit a candle in memory of Myron Joseph Meche*



Carlie Dua - June 08, 2022 at 10:50 AM

KL

“ *I will cherish the memories we share as childhood 4-H friends. Jerry and I visited in Washington. Such a quiet and gentle soul to pass the face of this earth. Thoughts and prayers are with you in the most difficult times. Jerry and Karen Leonards*

Karen Leonards - June 06, 2022 at 09:25 AM

JG

“ Please know of my deepest condolences on your loss of Myron. I was privileged to work with Myron for seven years. He was a generous (and patient!) mentor. So often in the halls of Congress we would walk to a meeting, only to be interrupted by an old friend delighted to have run into Myron. I too feel blessed to have called him friend. He always knew how to make people laugh. He always kept things in perspective. He gladly shared his cooking tips, and I always think of him when I prepare a large bird because he told me the best kind of thermometer to use. When my family and I moved away, he thoughtfully gifted my children bipartisan books. One, a collection of poems from Caroline Kennedy. The other, Barbara Bush's favorite children's book: *Miss Rumphius*. *Miss Rumphius'* grandfather tells her that she must leave the world a better place. Myron has certainly done that, both professionally and personally. I will miss him. May he rest in peace, and may you find comfort knowing of his great legacy.

Jill Marie Gerschutz-Bell

Jill Marie Gerschutz-Bell - June 05, 2022 at 09:29 PM

MA

“ Marilyn lit a candle in memory of Myron
Joseph Meche



Marilyn - June 05, 2022 at 04:10 AM

TR

“ Although it’s been too many years since I have seen Myron, I have so many fond memories of our high school/ college years. My times with the gang from Rayne High are memories I will cherish forever. Myron’s smile was so infectious, and I swear I can still hear him laugh. My heart is broken at this loss. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you all. God has him... what is earth’s loss is truly heavens gain! May his soul rest in the peace and love of our Lord!
Tricia (Benoit) Bottom

Tricia - June 04, 2022 at 05:11 PM

BF

“ May he rest in peace...



Brenda B. Francis - June 04, 2022 at 12:26 PM

TR

“ Trish lit a candle in memory of Myron Joseph Meche



Trish - June 03, 2022 at 04:22 PM

KA

“ *Katherine Arceneaux lit a candle in memory of Myron Joseph Meche*



Katherine Arceneaux - June 03, 2022 at 03:07 PM