



## Allen Lightner

March 14, 1926 - October 7, 2016

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Allen Lightner passed away on Friday, October 07, 2016, surrounded by his loving family. Born in Modesto, CA, he was a resident of Chalmette, LA since 1953 and most recently a resident of Ponchatoula. He proudly served our country in the U.S. Navy during WWII, attached to the U.S. Naval Armed Guard as a gunner. He served in the Pacific Theater aboard the S.S. Sea Witch, a merchant ship conscripted by the Navy to transport personnel and mail to the Pacific Islands. Allen worked for Kaiser Aluminum for over 29 years, retiring in 1982. He loved to fish, cut grass and manicure his lawn, but most of all he cherished the travelling he and Shirley did all over the United States, often to California. He never met a stranger; he would strike up a conversation with anyone near him, wherever he happened to be.

Allen is survived by his beloved wife of almost 67 years, Shirley Hoover Lightner. He is also survived by his loving daughter, Sherry Lightner Wolfe and her husband Steve; his devoted grandson, Maj. Matthew Steven Wolfe, U.S. Army and his wife Lauren and his loving granddaughter, Shanna Leigh Wolfe. He is also survived by his great granddaughter, Katherine Joan Wolfe, and his nieces and nephews; Beverly W. Pierson, Victor Hoover, Barry Hoover and his wife Connie, Glenn Hoover and his wife Lori, Marilyn Rice and Frank Hoover and his wife Belinda.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ira E. and Emma E. Lightner as well as his brothers and sister; Elmer C. Lightner, Melvin L. Lightner, Oscar R. Lightner, Norma Wyeth and Lawrence L. Lightner.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the visitation at 1st Baptist Church, Ponchatoula, on Thursday, October 13, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. until the Celebration of Life Service at 11:00 a.m. Dr. Cranford will be officiating the service with interment at Southeast Louisiana Veterans Cemetery, Slidell, LA.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests that donations be made to North Oaks Hospice, P. O. Box 2668, Hammond, LA 70404.

Condolences and other information are available online at [www.thompsoncares.com](http://www.thompsoncares.com).

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Southeast Louisiana Veterans Cemetery

34888 Grantham College Dr.  
Slidell, LA 70460

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **13**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Ponchatoula  
325 E Pine St.  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454

## Celebration of Life Service

OCT **13**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Shirley, I did not know you and Allen had returned to the Ponchatoula area. I remember you as a beautiful teenager that I admired - your room was so pretty and I loved the small rocking chair you had in there. We loved to go to Aunt Ada's and she always had a tin of homemade yeast rolls she served with cafe-Au-lait.

Know you will miss Allen - 67 years together built many happy memories.

Love and prayers, Janice Coumes Hyde

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**Janice Hyde** - October 13, 2016 at 05:00 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Allen Lightner.



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October 12, 2016 at 10:24 PM

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“ Sherry, Your Dad was like a brother to Pete and I. We had so many good times together and some very sad times. I know that Pete will be showing him around The Lord's Home and they will be together again. He will be in my prayers always. Helen

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**Helen Lombardo** - October 10, 2016 at 05:18 PM



“ Our prayers are with you all..So sorry to hear about this. I always remember how Allen was always smiling and joking around! ...God Bless...Dennis & Lucy Juneau

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**Lucy Juneau** - October 10, 2016 at 05:10 PM



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**Lucy Juneau** - October 10, 2016 at 05:08 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Allen Lightner.



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October 10, 2016 at 01:09 PM