



## Dave Connell

June 22, 1923 - August 13, 2024

Dave Connell passed away peacefully at his home in Holden, LA on August 13, 2024, at the age of 101. Dave was born in Joaquin, Texas, where he was raised in a large sharecropping family. After graduating high school, Dave sought to serve his country by enlisting in the United States Army, experiencing combat in the Pacific Islands during WWII. After returning home, he entered the United States Navy and worked as a Seabee for several years. Upon completion of his military service, Dave married his beloved wife, Azalee. The couple lived for many years in Buras, LA, where they raised their family while Dave spent his career working in the oilfields. Upon retirement, they relocated to Holden, where Dave remained very active and enjoyed much of his time gardening, woodworking, quilting, and chauffeuring Azalee. Dave was a longtime and devoted member of the Holden Baptist Church and Springfield VFW. He was a gentle man who was known to stick to a schedule and who particularly enjoyed naps, jokes, and sweet treats.

Dave is survived by his son-in-law, Floyd Bergeron, and his grandchildren, Frank Bergeron (Gabi) and Janna Stephens (Shane), along with great-grandchildren Ella Stephens, Spencer Stephens, and Enzo Bergeron, in addition to other grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Dave is preceded in death by his wife of nearly 60 years, Azalee, parents

Dave and Lula Connell, daughter Janet Connell, son James "Jim" Connell, his many siblings, and his beloved dog Rattler.

The family would like to extend their deepest gratitude and appreciation to the staff at North Oaks Hospice and Home Instead for the compassionate assistance and guidance they have provided.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation at Holden Baptist Church on Friday, August 16, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. until the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. Interment will immediately follow at Courtney Cemetery in Holden.

# Cemetery Details

## Courtney Cemetery

Highway 1036  
Holden, LA 70744

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 16. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Holden Baptist Church  
30091 Hwy 441  
Holden, LA 70744

## Funeral Ceremony

AUG 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

Holden Baptist Church  
30091 Hwy 441  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dave Connell*



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**Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home** - August 15, 2024 at 10:40 AM



“ *I have so many memories of Dave (Azalee) He loved to joke and tell jokes. My kids were always storing up jokes to tell uncle Dave.. I don't believe anyone remembers Dave's service to his country USA, He served in all four branches of the military. He loved to quilt and had a green thumb.. we often said he could plant his thumb and it would flower almost instantly.. He was a caring man loved his children and grandchildren.*

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**Charlotte Hutto** - August 16, 2024 at 05:45 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dave Connell.*



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August 15, 2024 at 12:50 PM

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“ Love, J.P. & Jenni Tassin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dave Connell.

Love, J.P. & Jenni Tassin - August 15, 2024 at 12:50 PM

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“ We traveled to Florida at least once a year and always stopped by to see Aunt Azalea and Uncle Dave. Sometimes going and coming home. Always enjoyed our visit a learned many gardening and canning tips from both including the tips on quilting. Uncle Dave always had to show his picture of “his Pride and Joy”! My younger sisters saw them more often because they visited my mom quite often and the girls enjoyed him bringing treats and joking around with them. Me, being older, missed lots of that because that was after he had retired. We all loved him so very much.

Winnie - August 15, 2024 at 11:55 AM

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“ The Ackel Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dave Connell.



The Ackel Family - August 15, 2024 at 11:53 AM