



## Earl R. Gatlin Jr

November 22, 1948 - December 4, 2016

Earl, age 68, passed peacefully from this life on Sunday, December 4, 2016. He was a longtime resident of Hammond. Earl started off his working career operating heavy equipment with Operating Engineers local 406 until his early retirement. He was a hardworking man that found great joy in working and maintaining his farm, Diamond "E" Ranch. He enjoyed staying busy, hunting, and fishing with his son, Brady. Earl was a kind, gentle man who will be missed by all who knew him.

Earl is survived by his loving wife of 24 years, Paula Barsley Gatlin; his mother, Kathleen Gatlin Pittman; sons, Brady Barsley Gatlin, Michael Paul Buvens, James Buvens; step-son, CDR, Bradley Smith, USN; sister, Susan "Sue" Hammond; grandchildren, Kyle, Aja, Christian, Lydia, Meg; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

He is preceded in death by his father, Earl R. Gatlin, Sr.; and his sister, Sandra K. Jones.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, Hammond, on Friday, December 9, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. until the Celebration of Life Service at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

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

## Sandhill Cemetery

Sandhill Cemetery Road  
Ponchatouola, LA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 9. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Hammond, LA  
12012 Highway 190 W  
Hammond, LA 70401  
(225) 567-1884

## Celebration of Life Service

DEC 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I want to express my sincere sympathy for the loss of your loved one and share the hope promised in the Bible.  
God has set a day in which he purposes to judge the inhabited earth in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and he has furnished a guarantee to all men in that he has resurrected him from the dead. (Acts 17:31)  
If your heart yearns to see a loved one again, study the Bible to make this resurrection hope your very own.

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**S. Lee** - December 08, 2016 at 07:46 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earl R. Gatlin Jr.



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December 07, 2016 at 01:05 PM

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“ Brady and family...We are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of your dad. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Your Bill Hood Ford Lincoln family



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**Bill Hood Ford Lincoln** - December 06, 2016 at 09:34 PM

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“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Know that you will be in my prayers and that the Lord will give you the peace that passeth all understanding.*

*Richard Castell*

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**Richard Castell** - December 06, 2016 at 09:12 AM