



## Fred Leroy Lavigne

August 24, 1947 - July 17, 2020

Fred, age 72, passed away on Friday, July 17, 2020 at home surrounded by his family. He was a longtime resident of Ponchatoula, LA. Fred was a member of Wesley Chapel UMC and the Freemason Pine Grove Lodge in Ponchatoula. He dedicated many years as an IT Technician and retired from SLU in 2016. Fred had a true love of old cars and had an extensive collection of vintage Mustangs. He was always working on his cars or anything mechanical or electrical. Fred was a very hands on person and enjoyed teaching people how to do things. He was always available to help someone he knew and loved doing it. His number one passion was his family; and if you knew Fred, you became family. Fred left a huge impact on all who knew him and will be forever missed.

Fred is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Dorothy "Dot" Watson Lavigne; sister, Kay Harper (Robert); niece, Carrie Harper; nephews, Brennon Harper, Douglas Watson (Crystal), Randy Watson; great-nieces, Leigha Watson, Lacy Watson; great-nephews, Issac Harper, Eli Harper, Dustin Watson, Tyler Watson; and numerous family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Jules Roy Lavigne and Elva Edna Lavigne; and niece, Laura Harper.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Methodist Children's Home or St. Jude Children's Hospital in honor of Fred.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the visitation from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson, Ponchatoula, on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 from 6:00

p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Visitation will continue on Wednesday, July 22, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. until the funeral service at 1:00 p.m. Rev. Wanda Smith will officiate and interment will follow in Sandhill Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Sandhill Cemetery

Sandhill Cemetery Road  
Ponchatoula, LA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 21. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Ponchatoula, LA  
1190 Highway 51  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
(985) 370-9296

## Visitation

JUL 22. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Ponchatoula, LA  
1190 Highway 51  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
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## Funeral Service

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JUL **22**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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1190 Highway 51  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
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# Tribute Wall

ML

“ *SO MANY MEMORIES! Fred's loving heart touched Vickie and I non-stop while we were privileged to serve. Always working and always serving others - what a man! It is not possible to picture Fred without a loving memory popping up and an image of his bright smile.*



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**Mark Lubbock** - July 22, 2020 at 03:01 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Fred Leroy Lavigne.*



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July 22, 2020 at 02:10 PM

KM

“ *A dear, dear gentleman, quiet and caring, always reaching out to help others. His leaving so early is a great loss to all of us. May knowing where he is now help bring comfort.*

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**Kathryn J. Martin** - July 22, 2020 at 12:16 PM

CF

“ So sorry, Dot Dot, for you and your family's loss. Fred's love of children prompts me to recall the old adage that no one stands taller than when they stoop to help a child. Clark

Clark Forrest - July 21, 2020 at 09:54 PM

DL

“ Dot, I'm so sorry to hear about Fred. He always brightened my day when he came to my office at SLU. When he found out who I was, our friendship blossomed. We talked so much about our good ole St. Helena families. God bless you & hold you tight the days ahead. Prayers for all of you 🙏❤️🙏



Denise Holland Lee - July 21, 2020 at 01:26 PM

KC

“ Fred made Jan his second sister and when he met me he did me the honor of making me his third sister. I will never forget all he has done for my sister and her family. Our love and prayers to you all.

Karin Cagle

KARIN CAGLE - July 21, 2020 at 12:09 PM

GV

“ I am so sorry. I loved Mr. Leroy. He was such a kind and genuine man. He will be sadly missed.

Gail Varble - July 21, 2020 at 12:01 AM

MG

“ *Dot, Kay and family. Although the loss is difficult the memories shared in the obituary and the picture of Leroy captures him well and brought a smile to my heart. Might such memories bring you solace. Prayers and love sent your way. Mary Genre*

Mary Genre - July 20, 2020 at 08:53 PM



“ *I am so sorry. At times like these I wish I weren't so far away. Sending prayers and a virtual hug to you Dot Dianne*

Dianne Barkley - July 20, 2020 at 05:59 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Fred Leroy Lavigne.*



July 20, 2020 at 12:50 PM



“ *Sorry to hear about your loss*



Eddie Bennett - July 20, 2020 at 08:48 AM

SO

“ *What a sweet man. Loved him. So sorry for your loss.*

Sue Oates - July 19, 2020 at 10:50 PM