



James "Jimmy" Darouse Jr.

December 1, 1939 - July 3, 2020

Jimmy, age 80, went to be with the Lord on Friday, July 3, 2020 with his family at his side. He was a longtime resident of Ponchatoula, LA and a current resident of Albany, LA. Jimmy proudly served his country in the United States Army. He dedicated many years at the Ponchatoula Post Office where he retired as a Postmaster. Jimmy was a committed parishioner of St. Margaret Catholic Church. In his younger years, he loved coaching his sons in all of their sports. Now he enjoyed watching them coach, and he never missed a game. Jimmy liked to spend his spare time reading, but mostly he liked to spend time with his family. He was a loving husband, caring father, and incredible Paw Paw who will be forever missed.

Jimmy is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Shirley Darouse; sons, Bill Darouse, Kevin Darouse (Stacy); grandchildren, Christopher Michael Murray (Amanda), Blake Elliott, Kelsi Darouse, Rudi Darouse; and great-grandchildren, Kenzie Murray and Cade Murray.

He is preceded in death by his son, James Michael Darouse; and parents, Willie Mae Vitter and James Darouse Sr.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the St. Margaret Capital Improvement Fund at PO Box 100 Albany, LA 70711 or at www.stmargaretstthomas.com/give in honor of Mr. Jimmy.

A private Funeral Mass will be held by the family with interment to follow.

Cemetery Details

St. Margaret Catholic Church Cemetery

30300 Catholic Hall Rd.
Albany, LA

Tribute Wall

TF

“ Our heartfelt condolences and sympathies to Ms. Shirley and the Darouse Family and friends.

If you are ever in need of assistance from a neighbor, we are here for you.

Much love,

The Belletto Family - July 07, 2020 at 07:00 PM

DF

“ Dear Mrs Shirley. I'm so sorry for your loss. Mr Jimmy's smile was the best and I could always count on a hug from him when I saw him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May Mr. Jimmy Rest In Peace with our Lord.

Donna & Ward Forsberg - July 07, 2020 at 01:16 PM

LF

“ Dear Shirley Bill and Kevin I wanted to let you all know what a great guy Jimmy wzs! He always had a smile and a frisky hello. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

Lois Freeman - July 06, 2020 at 01:54 PM

GA

“ So sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you.

Gordon Anderson - July 06, 2020 at 10:12 AM

BS

“ Mrs. Shirley

I am very sorry to hear about Mr. Jimmy. My prayers are with you and your family.

*Brenda & Dennis Saunier
Brooke Malain Saunier (Jared) & Lena
Blake Saunier (Courtney)*

Brenda Saunier - July 06, 2020 at 08:30 AM

HG

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time of loss. If there is anything you need, please let us know. Your extended family is here for you.*

Doug, Holly, and Dawson Gildig, Heather and Harper Baker, all of your 236 brothers and sisters



Holly Gildig - July 05, 2020 at 11:33 AM

ED

“ Emily and I send our most heart felt condolences to Shirley, Bill, Kevin and all of their families.

Jimmy and I were great friends for over seventy years. I first met Jimmy at St. Joseph School and we were in the same class at Ponchatoula High. We spent our Six months of Army National Guard training together at Fort Chaffee and Fort Sill. We also worked together at the Ponchatoula A&P. When Jimmy and Shirley had their first child, James Michael, I was greatly honored to be his godfather.

We did lots and lots of things together including drinking beer and watching lots of football. When Emily and I married, Jimmy was one of my groomsmen. With both of our wives pregnant, we all went together to the very first Saints game at old Tulane stadium. Years went by and I left Louisiana, but tried to visit whenever we came back to the area. I sorrowed with him when Mike was lost to cancer.

Knowing our advancing ages, I have been trying to call my old friends. I did that with Jimmy a short while back and am so happy that I had a last opportunity to reminisce with him. There is now a big hole in my life knowing that I will not see him again in this world.

He was a great guy and I am so thankful that I got to know him so well. God bless his soul and God watch over Shirley and the boys.

Ernest Delaune - July 05, 2020 at 09:53 AM

BB

“ Dear Shirley and family. i am truly sorry to hear of the passing of Jimmy. May God give you comfort and strength during this difficult time. R I P Jimmy. Bonnie Brooks

Bonnie Brooks - July 04, 2020 at 08:18 PM