



James "Jimmy" Russell Alford

February 25, 1939 - March 24, 2019

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Jimmy Alford, age 80, went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Sunday, March 24, 2019 at his home surrounded by his loving family. He retired from ExxonMobil, as the Head Advisor of the Inspection Division for many years, where he mentored many generations in his field. Jimmy was a member of Magnolia Baptist Church, who was very strong in his faith. He proudly served his country in the United States Army, served as 8th Ward Constable for many years, and also as a past president and board member for the Livingston Parish Fire District #10 in Holden. Jimmy served his community as the District Deputy Grand Master of the 19th Masonic District of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, an active member of the Blue Knights Motorcycle Club, a dedicated member of the Gideons International Organization, and the Knights Templar in Hammond. Jimmy was a very giving and selfless man, always willing to help out anyone in need. He would often cook his famous "Jambalaya A-La Alford" for many charities, fundraisers and benefits to help people in need. Jimmy loved going to the camp on the river with his family and catching catfish and setting out his trout lines. In his younger years he raced cars, where he first met the love of his life, Janie, who he later married and they had two wonderful children. Jimmy was the greatest man, best husband, loving father, and an awesome grandfather, who has left behind a beautiful legacy to remember him by and is already deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Jimmy leaves behind his adoring wife of almost 50 years, Janie Courtney Alford; daughter, Leesha Robert and husband Troy; son, Shawn Alford and wife Catherine; sister, Bonnie Alford Newman and husband Harold; brothers, Donald Alford and wife Angela, and David Alford and wife Anna Lee; grandchildren, Kaleb Gleber, Tanner Gleber, Grace Alford, Caroline Alford, and Mary Cate Alford.

Preceding him in death are his parents, William C. and Elizabeth R. Alford; and grandparents, James W. Alford, Mamie Bennett, Earl E. Russell, and Azlea Vernon.

Active Pallbearers will be Donald Alford, Vernon Russell, Ricky Russell, Tanner Gleber, Paul K. Duke, Wade Courtney, DeWayne Harmon, Troy Robert, and Matt Newman. Honorary Pallbearers are David Alford, Harold Newman, as well as his Masonic Brothers.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, Hammond, on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Visitation will resume on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until the Masonic service at 11:00 a.m. The Celebration of Life Service will follow at 11:30 a.m. officiated by Bro. Richard Wallace and Brother Alton Foster. Interment to follow in Arcola-Roseland Cemetery.

Condolences and other information can be found online at www.thompsoncar.es.com.

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

Cemetery Details

Arcola Roseland Cemetery

Roseland, LA 70456

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 26. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

MAR 27. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Masonic Service

MAR 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall

LS

“ *Lonnie And Katie Sykes lit a candle in memory of James "Jimmy" Russell Alford*



lonnie and katie sykes - March 27, 2019 at 09:11 AM

BC

“ *Aunt Janie, Leesha, Shawn, and family, I am so sorry about Uncle Jimmy. I'm praying that you find comfort at this time. Keeping y'all in my prayers.*

Beth Chauvin - March 25, 2019 at 08:51 PM

WK

“ *Wyvette Kinchen lit a candle in memory of James "Jimmy" Russell Alford*



Wyvette Kinchen - March 25, 2019 at 01:04 PM

BW

“ *Farewell old Friend! Family, Jimmy was a friend I looked-up to as a teenager back in the day when he had the 64 GTO. Then Jimmy was my welding instructor at FPVS in Greensburg. And then we worked together for many years at Exxon. He loved life and his family so much! Hope to see you on the other side Jimmy!!!!*

Bob Wascom - March 25, 2019 at 09:40 AM

JC

“ I am so saddened to hear of Jimmy's passing. Unfortunately, I'll be undergoing surgery on the day of his funeral but I wish to send my deepest sympathy and condolences to his family.

Jack Coffee - March 25, 2019 at 09:17 AM

DL

“ Mrs. Janie, Leesha, and Shawn.....My thoughts and prayers are with y'all, Mr. Jimmy was always so thoughtful and kind to me and was truly a man of God. May God give you all the grace to get through these next days without him in body but always with you in spirit and so many memories.

debbie mcmorris lee - March 24, 2019 at 07:09 PM

ED

So sorry Jamie & family. Saying a prayer for you.

Elaine Duke - March 24, 2019 at 09:27 PM

GN

My deepest condolences to the entire Alford Family for your loss. Jimmy was my friend. We worked in the CMB together where our paths crossed many times. Jimmy was one of the finest men I ever had the pleasure of knowing and calling my friend. I pray I have been at least 1/2 the man Jimmy was. He will be sorely missed by many. My our Lord stand with the Alford Family during such a difficult time.

George Norwood - March 25, 2019 at 06:40 AM

CI

Dear Alford Family, my thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I have the immense pleasure of working with Shawn and there is no doubt that the legacy of faith passed down from Mr. Jimmy and Mrs. Janie is strong as a the rock it is built upon. What a celebration of a life lived loving God & Jesus and loving others!

Chad L. Istre - March 25, 2019 at 03:31 PM



May God bring comfort, strength and peace to the family.

Thelma Hughes - March 26, 2019 at 01:27 PM