



## Jerry W. Leeper Sr.

February 9, 1946 - June 28, 2021

Born 2/9/1946 in Winnfield, LA. Jerry Wayne Leeper, Sr. began his journey. He was one of four sons born to Alon & Mary Cannon Leeper. At an early age, Jerry moved with his family to New Orleans where he met & married his wife, Beth Reich Leeper. Early in his odyssey, Jerry became a beloved & respected river boat captain. Together, Jerry & Beth reared their four sons, Michael, Troy, Jerry, Jr. & Chad. Ultimately, Jerry & his family settled in Ponchatoula, LA. where he remained until God called him home. As Jerry navigated through this life, he encountered a multitude of ports which brought him much joy. These landings included his innumerable friendships & relationships, his backyard barbeques, his racetrack days, & his holiday gatherings. But, no matter where Jerry's ship sailed, his compass always guided him back to his treasured family. Jerry, may you find refuge in God's harbor. "Aye Aye, Captain, smooth sailing."

Jerry was dad or "Pops" to Michael (Laurie) Troy, Jerry, Jr. (Teresa), & Chad (Gaynell). But, his favorite title may have been Grandpa or "Paw Paw J.J." to Ryan (Valerie), Shelby (Mike), Aaron (Ashlee), Paige (Brad), Brittney, Kristine (Micah), Nicholas (Mallory), Christopher, Chace, Kyle, Joseph Ryan, Jase, Nataleigh, Emily, Rebekah, Mallorie.

Jerry was also great grandfather to Gregory, Abigail, Annabelle, Henry, Silas, Lila, & one on the way. Along with first mate, Rodney 'Bones' Davis and brother, James Alon "Buddy" Leeper. Jerry took pride in training numerous young steersmen over the years to be good boat captains.

Jerry is preceded in death by his parents, Alon & Mary Leeper; brothers, Gerald 'Bo' Leeper, and Kenny Ray Leeper.

PONCHATOULA, LA.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation held in the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, 1190 Hwy 51 North PONCHATOULA, on Friday, July 2, 2021, beginning at 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Visitation will resume Saturday, July 3, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. until the Funeral Service starting at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Kip Shuford will officiate, with interment will immediately follow in Carter Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Carter Cemetery

Carter Cemetery Rd.  
Springfield, La

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 2. 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 3. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

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JUL 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I have known Jerry since 1963, he was a little shy but once he felt comfortable he could be a character. I had a red Corvair and about 6 of us was on Canal Blvd it snowed a day earlier and standing on the neutral ground was a snowman. We all raced to see this snowman. When leaving Jerry and Joe decided to run at it head on, so they ran Jerry in the lead head first.... instead of going forward he landed about 2 feet back. It was all icy and the snowman wasn't going to budge. Joe stop and didn't meet the icy snowman, Jerry's forehead started swelling and we knew it had to hurt but all he said was hey at least i won then someone said well you can tell everyone a snowman. kicked your ass. Everytime he told the story it was funny bc it was always more glamorous than. it was. He was definitely one of the "good guys".

Nancy S Payne - July 03, 2021 at 05:52 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..



July 01, 2021 at 06:14 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..



July 01, 2021 at 02:40 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..*



July 01, 2021 at 08:26 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..*



June 30, 2021 at 04:53 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..*



June 30, 2021 at 11:21 AM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..*



June 30, 2021 at 11:20 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..*



June 30, 2021 at 11:09 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..*



June 29, 2021 at 11:16 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Jerry's passing, He was a Great Boat Captain and a good friend.  
I know he will be missed by many. R.I.P my friend.  
David Bourgeois*

**D Bourgeois** - June 29, 2021 at 09:10 PM



“ *I am very sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. I will be unable to attend his funeral  
but please accept my deepest condolence. I know he will be missed  
  
Robin Poirier*

**robin w poirier** - June 29, 2021 at 07:32 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..*



June 29, 2021 at 06:47 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..*



June 29, 2021 at 06:27 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Jerry W. Leeper Sr..*



June 29, 2021 at 06:15 PM



“ *Lori Leeper Sanders lit a candle in memory of Jerry W. Leeper Sr.*



**Lori Leeper Sanders** - June 29, 2021 at 02:16 PM