



## Larry Earl Fuscia

March 10, 1941 - January 22, 2024

### Larry Earl Fuscia

Larry Earl Fuscia, passed away, January 22, 2024 at the age of 82. A lifelong resident of Ponchatoula, Larry was born March 10, 1941 at Wiginton Hospital, Hammond Louisiana, to his biological parents, Fenton “Bob” Gazaway and Bessie Fuscia Gazaway. After the death of his mother, when he was 2 ½ years old, he was raised by Oliver John “Buck” Fuscia (uncle) and Katie Mae Soape Fuscia (aunt) whom he knew as momma and daddy. After years of their love, care, and support for him, at the age of 18, he felt honored to have his name legally changed to carry the Fuscia name.

He graduated from Ponchatoula High School in 1959.

Daddy always included the entire family on hunting and fishing trips. He was selfless in these pursuits making sure we always had a good time. He wanted us to understand it was the experience and process of hunting and fishing, not killing or catching. We, his children and grandchildren, pride ourselves to this day in our hunting and fishing adventures to always enjoy the ride and the anticipation.

Daddy was always strong, patient, loving and kind. Daddy never met a stranger, he always encouraged us to love, respect, see the need of others, and never think we were better than anyone else. He taught us to work hard,

live life to the fullest, love fiercely, and serve the Lord with all our heart. Daddy had a saying, "Life is what happens to you while you are living it." Through well learned life lessons, shown by his example, he has created a strong bond and legacy among us that we will carry on forever. We are all so blessed to have called him husband, daddy, and pawpaw.

He is survived by his high school sweetheart of 63 years, Patricia Ann Coumes Fuscia; daughter Debi Fuscia Jenkins (Roger); son Jeff Fuscia (Kim); three grandchildren, Brittany Jenkins, Bryce Jenkins (Kailey), Landon Delaune and one great grandchild, Briley Kate Jenkins. Also, survived by his sisters, Jet Arlene Brown (Travis) of Dalton GA, Marie Fuscia, along with numerous half-brothers, half-sisters, nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother Robert Fenton Gazaway, nephew John Jason Fuscia, brother-in-law's Bobby Hyde and Gene Coumas, sister-in laws, Ann Gazaway, and Linda Coumas.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to join a Visitation in the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home in Ponchatoula, Louisiana on Monday, January 29, 2024 at 4:00 p.m., with a Celebration of Life service to follow the Visitation at 7:00 p.m.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 29. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

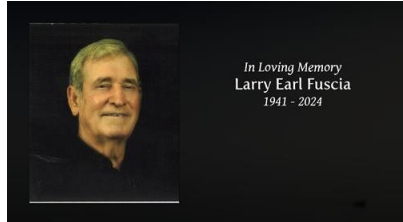
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Larry Earl Fuscia*



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**Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home** - January 27, 2024 at 04:29 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Larry Earl Fuscia.*



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January 29, 2024 at 10:56 AM



“ *Laura Mae and Nora Louise...cousins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Larry Earl Fuscia.*

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**Laura Mae and Nora Louise...cousins** - January 29, 2024 at 10:56 AM

LS

“ My first memory of Larry was when I was nine years old and had moved from Iowa to Louisiana. The Fuscia clan and Meyn clan lined up at Uncle Buck's house to welcome us. In Iowa no one hugged or showed affection outwardly, but these relatives with Larry lined up too grabbed us with the biggest, sweetest hugs ever was. I remember how wonderful that felt to be welcome to the family that way! Larry was always full of joy and had a great big smile on his face. Thought Larry and Patsy were the most gorgeous couple I had ever seen and still do. Love you both, Laura H. Smith (first cousin)

Laura H. Smith - January 29, 2024 at 10:44 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Larry Earl Fuscia.



January 26, 2024 at 11:13 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Larry Earl Fuscia.



January 25, 2024 at 08:23 PM

PH

“ Dear Fuscia family members, after reading this fine man's obituary, I truly wish I had known him. My connection with your family is Jeff and pickleball. Please accept my condolences for your loss.  
Pat Heurtin/St. Francisville

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**Pat Heurtin** - January 25, 2024 at 08:28 AM

GD

“ It has been so many years since I was with Pat at Goldhill Foods (Jerry Malbin) but the one thing I remember was her love for Larry. My sincere condolences to you, Pat. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.  
Ginger Connelley Dodd

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**Ginger Dodd** - January 24, 2024 at 08:21 PM

NB

“ Larry was always so full of life that it is impossible to imagine that he is gone. One of my favorite cousins, Larry exuded kindness and caring, be it to us younger cousins or older. We had so many cousins and had such a good time growing up with them all, that my memories are all filled with love and laughter when thinking of Larry. Patsy and family, my heart goes out to you all as Larry was always larger than life and loved his family so very much. My prayers are with you all. God bless you.

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**Nora Bennett** - January 24, 2024 at 03:57 PM