



## Richard S. Sanders

June 3, 1923 - May 14, 2009

Richard S. "Bunkie" Sanders

Age 85, Bunkie was born in Amite, Louisiana on June 3, 1923 and passed away May 14, 2009 at his home in Hammond. He served our country as a United States Army Veteran of WWII. Retiring as a business owner of a vending company, he had previously served as board chairman of Community State Bank. Bunkie was also a rancher and one of the first breeders of Arabian horses in Louisiana.

His wife of 61 wonderful years, Virgie Laurent Sanders, survives him along with two daughters and a son-in-law, Patricia Perry of Southhaven, Mississippi, Cynthia and Tom Evans, residents of Hammond, Louisiana and McComb, Mississippi; two sons and daughters-in-law, Richard and Debra Sanders of North Sioux City, South Dakota and Bryan and Lisa Sanders of Hammond. Bunkie adored his five grandchildren, Blair Burmaster, Matthew Perry, Peyton Sanders, Aleigh Sanders and Brynn Sanders. One sister, Catherine Shafer of Hammond also survives him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Richard and Blue Belle Sanders and three sisters, Patricia Flynn; Mamie Hayden and Addie Varnado.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home west of Hammond on Saturday, May 16th at 11:30 a.m. with visitation beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Rev. Leon Dunn will officiate the funeral services and interment will follow in Old Amite Cemetery in Amite, Louisiana.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Richard Murphy Hospice Foundation, 16013 Halbert Lane, Hammond, LA 70403.

Condolences and other information available online at [www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Bryan, Lisa, and family,  
We just wanted you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers at this sad time. May your memories of your father, and the love and concern of family and friends give you comfort in your sorrow.  
With sympathy,  
John and Georgianne Poteet##imported-begin##Gordon  
Anderson##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this very difficult time.  
Chris, Georgia, Thomas & Brittany##imported-begin##John &  
Georgianne Poteet##imported-end##

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“ To Bunkie's family I send my heartfelt sorrow for your loss as I am reminded of many wonderful times I spent with him, telling me of his experiences in life. He was a true American, proud of his family, friends and country, a man among men. His presence in my life makes a lasting impression, one I have always cherished.

I must take this opportunity to send my condolences as I will be away on Saturday for services. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this sad time.##imported-begin##Chris & Georgia  
Daughdrill##imported-end##

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“ *Cindy and Family, We are so sorry to hear about the death of your dad, he will be remembered as a wonderful man who lived a wonderful life. Sonny & Rosetta##imported-begin##john feduccia##imported-end##*

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“ *I just wanted to let you all know I am keeping you all in my prays... Love Jo Ann Ray...##imported-begin##Sonny Bennett##imported-end##*

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“ *##imported-begin##Jo Ann Ray##imported-end##*

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