



Bourgeois, Peter G Jr

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Peter Gabriel Bourgeois, Jr., 91, a native and resident of Houma, died at 11:20 A.M., Monday, May 9, 2016.

Visitation will be from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Thursday, May 12, 2016, at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral. Mass will be at 1:00 P.M., with

interment in St. Francis de Sales Cemetery No. 1.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 65 years Betty Wilson Bourgeois; three sons, Peter G. Bourgeois, III and wife, Peggy of Lafayette, LA; Clyde Denis Bourgeois of Guerneville, CA; Clark Wilson Bourgeois and wife, Jennifer of Tomball, TX; one sister, Beverly Bourgeois Sinor; seven grandchildren, Bradley Bourgeois and wife, Adrienne of Monroe, LA; Dr. Gregory Bourgeois and wife, Hannah of Birmingham, AL; Rebecca Ann Bourgeois Weingard and husband, Matthew of Alexandria, VA ; Michelle Bourgeois of New Iberia, LA; Peter Bourgeois, IV, Grace Ellen Bourgeois, and Vivian Marie Bourgeois of Tomball, TX; nine great-grandchildren, Stephen, Alexis, Nathan, Luke, Molly, Jackson, Mauree, Aimée, and Gabrielle Bourgeois.

He was preceded in death by his parents, former Terrebonne Parish Sheriff Peter G. Bourgeois, Sr. and Elizida "Lizzie" Barrilleaux Bourgeois; daughter, Rebecca Ann Bourgeois; three sisters, Jeanne B. DeClouet, Mae B. Broussard, and Irene B. Tabor.

Peter Bourgeois was born in 1924, graduated from Terrebonne High School in 1942, and attended LSU before being drafted. He served his country during World War II in the 96th Infantry Division and fought in the battles of Leyte and Okinawa where he was wounded. He was awarded the Purple Heart and three Bronze Stars. Returning home, he worked in the oil field. He worked for fifty-two years as a salesman for Magnolia Liquor Co. of New Orleans and retired in 2004. He was elected to serve three terms on the Terrebonne Parish City Council and one term on the Police Jury. He was instrumental in having the levee

cut down on Big Bayou Black and in planting cypress trees all along Highway 182. He served on the Terrebonne Library Board and helped pass the tax to build the new state-of-the-art Terrebonne Parish Library we now enjoy. He served as commander of American Legion Post 31, was a life-time member of the VFW, and a charter member of the World War II Museum in New Orleans, LA. He received the prestigious Eugene J. Folse Outstanding Veteran Award in 2016. He was extremely active in civic and community activities throughout his life and will be missed by many.

The family would like to extend special and heartfelt thanks to Dr. Russell Henry, Journey Hospice of Houma, and special niece, Carol Dillon.