



Dale Peter Hotard Sr.

August 8, 1932 - October 2, 2019

Dale Peter Hotard

Jennings: Dale Peter Hotard, 87, passed away peacefully at Jennings American Legion Hospital at 11 a.m. on October 2, 2019. Dale was born in Garyville, Louisiana on August 8, 1932. His family moved to Jennings when he was two years old. He graduated from Jennings High School in 1950 and entered Louisiana State University that same year.

Dale put his college career on hold to join the United States Air Force during the Korean Conflict and served in the 19th Air Division from 1952-1956. Following his military service, he returned to LSU and graduated with a degree in education in 1958. While at LSU, he met Sandra Ann Passantino of Thibodaux, LA. They were married on June 6, 1959. They resided in Jennings for the next sixty years where they raised their family.

Dale began his teaching career at Jennings High School and later at Midland High School. He went on to earn his master's degree from McNeese State University and served as Assistant Principal at Jennings High and then Principal at Northside Junior High.

Dale left education for a few years in the 1970s and 1980s, first becoming General Manager of Foley Drilling Tools, and later founding K&H Cypress

Outdoor Furniture. In the 1990s, he returned to education and taught history at Notre Dame High School in Acadia Parish until his retirement.

Driven by his love of baseball, he spent many of his summers coaching area youth baseball teams. Most notably, he was coach for the Jennings American Legion baseball team from 1965-1974, culminating in this area's first regional tournament appearance in Ruston in 1974, a feat not replicated until 2006.

A man of deep Catholic faith, Dale was a long time parishioner of Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church in Jennings, a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Serra Club, and the OLHC Social Committee.

Mr. Hotard was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph Leonce Hotard II and Marie Montz Hotard; his son, David Kieran Hotard; his sisters, Mrs. Leo Devall (Dorothy "D.D"), Mildred Hotard, Mrs. Benny Buller (Noelie), Mrs. Lawrence Foley (Leona); and his brother, Joseph Leonce "Buddy" Hotard III.

Dale is survived by his wife of 60 years, Sandra Ann Passantino Hotard, his sons, Dale Peter Hotard II (Wendy Hundley) of St. Louis, Missouri, Thomas J. Hotard (Jitlada Klongdee) of Welsh, Louisiana, Patrick M. Hotard (Donna Taylor) of Irving, Texas, Stephen C. Hotard (Wendy Hornsby) of Welsh, Louisiana; his grandchildren, Pete, Emma, Catherine, David, Elisabeth, Nathan, Meredith, and Arya, and his great-granddaughter, Colette.

A mass of Christian burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church with Father Charles McMillin officiating. Graveside services will follow at Calvary Cemetery. Visitation will be at Matthews & Son Funeral Home, Jennings, on Friday, October 4, 2019 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. , with a rosary recited at 6pm.

Special thanks to the staff at Jennings American Legion Hospital for their

compassion and care.

Words of comfort may be expressed at, www.matthewsandsonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews & Son Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

Evangeline Rd.
Jennings, LA 70546

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 4. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Matthews Funeral Home - JENNINGS
511 N. Cutting Avenue
Jennings, LA 70546
(337) 824-4420
jimmy@matthewsfh.com
<https://www.matthewsandsonfuneralhome.net/>

Rosary

OCT 4. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

OCT 5. 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady Help of Christians
710 N State St
Jennings, LA 70546
(337) 824-0168

Tribute Wall



“ Dale Peter Hotard Sr.

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ It is so difficult to say goodbye to such a wonderful person as Mr Hotard. He always greeted everyone with a smile and a kind word. Heaven has gained a bright angel. He will watch over you all. Praying for God's peace and strength in this time of sorrow.

Molly Roe - October 07, 2019 at 10:13 PM



“ I had the pleasure of getting to know Mr Hotard during my years at JHS and safety council-Class of 65- true Southern Gentleman and great inspiration 🙏🙏



Sharon Richard Core - October 04, 2019 at 05:56 PM



“ 80 files added to the album Life Tributes



Matthews Funeral Home - October 04, 2019 at 04:29 PM

DW

*Mrs. Hotard and family, Mr. Dale was such a friendly, good man. I give you my deepest sympathy at this time and may God give you strength.
Donna Biddick Wild*

Donna Wild - October 11, 2019 at 03:48 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..*



October 04, 2019 at 02:28 PM



“ *Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..*



October 04, 2019 at 09:53 AM

AG

“ *Applied Thermal Technologies (Jeff, Rob, & Greg) purchased the Cherished Memories - All White for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..*



Applied Thermal Technologies (Jeff, Rob, & Greg) - October 04, 2019 at 09:35 AM

LR

“ I was saddened to learn of my good friends passing. Will miss our talks in the gym at the round table. So many great conversations. Sports was definately one of his favorite subjects. He always ended our conversation with, well I guess I better go sit at my machine for a while. He was one of those specoial people that bless your life. Praying for family and friends during this time of mourning.

Lee Robinson - October 03, 2019 at 11:12 PM

LF

“ Dale and family My thoughts and prayers are with yall during this journey! Linda Meyer Fonger

Linda Meyer Fonger - October 03, 2019 at 11:11 PM

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“ Craig & Wendy Grohman (Modine) purchased the Love's Embrace Roses – White for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..



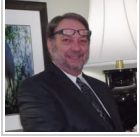
Craig & Wendy Grohman (Modine) - October 03, 2019 at 08:54 PM

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“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..



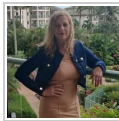
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“ *It is with a deep sense of regret that we offer our deepest condolences at the passing of Dale Hotard. Mr. Hotard was a wonderful husband, father, true Christian family man and Educator. Know that in the difficult days ahead, we will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers.*

Jude and Sandra Patterson Daigle

Jude Daigle - October 03, 2019 at 07:02 PM



Mr. Hotard was such a nice man! I saw him at the gym and after church. He always told me Hi and asked how I was doing. I am sure going to miss my sweet friend. RIP Mr. Hotard! My prayers are with all of the family!

Wendy Hoag - October 03, 2019 at 10:40 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..*



October 03, 2019 at 06:57 PM

TR

“ Surely the angels took Mr. Dale on the Heaven Express. I first got to know Mr. Dale while teaching at OLI with his wife Sandy and working with him on various church projects. He and Joel got closer in recent years as retired educators and members of the Knight of Columbus. I've never heard a criticism out of his mouth. He had a way of saying things so nicely even if he didn't approve of an action someone took or a unkind word that someone spoke. He had a servant's heart and his deep faith was an example to many. He will be sorely missed by both of us. Our prayers are for Sandy and his family. Let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.
Donna and Joel

The Richerts - October 03, 2019 at 04:13 PM



“ Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..



October 03, 2019 at 03:12 PM



“ White Standing Wreath was purchased for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..



October 03, 2019 at 03:08 PM

OG

“ OEM and CCP Sales, Marketing and Drafting Groups purchased the Plants-A-Plenty for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..



OEM and CCP Sales, Marketing and Drafting Groups -
October 03, 2019 at 03:07 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..



October 03, 2019 at 02:06 PM



“ Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..



October 03, 2019 at 01:29 PM



“ White (Large) Sympathy Vase Arrangement was purchased for the family of Dale Peter Hotard Sr..



October 03, 2019 at 12:43 PM