



Fred Zigler Oustalet

January 12, 1963 - July 17, 2020

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1/12/1963 – 7/17/2020

Fred was exceptional, in more ways than one. Born January 12th, 1963, he was the tenth child of the late A.J.M. “Bubba” Oustalet, Jr. and Lena Mae Oustalet of Jennings, Louisiana. His radiant spirit and supportive family offset his disabilities. Fred made it clear from the beginning: he would not live his life on the sidelines.

With his smile, Fred never met a stranger. He loved the simpler things in life: hunting, family gatherings, and fishing. He survived dozens of hurricanes and decades of Saints’ losses. Fred never missed a Catholic mass or Christmas bingo at the VA Home.

Fred attended Chinchuba School for the Deaf and Louisiana School for the Deaf. He then followed his heart into the family business at Bubba Oustalet Automotive Family. For more than 40 years, he wore many hats at the dealerships as quality control officer, test drive companion, and his favorite roles: customer relations and Honorary CEO.

Fred’s extraordinary life spanned states and communities. He left his mark on every city he called home, including Lake Arthur, Louisiana; Pass Christian,

Mississippi and his beloved hometown of Jennings, Louisiana. Fred loved the Jennings Bulldogs and was always ready to attend Jennings Quarterback Club meetings. Like his namesake, Fred Zigler, his legacy and love for Jennings will live on.

Fred's biggest passion was for the LSU Fighting Tigers. No game went unwatched or article unread. From his shirt to his socks, there were only two colors for him: purple and gold. Fred's legendary hoot-n-holler roar could be heard for miles when his beloved Tigers scored a touchdown. He truly loved purple and lived gold.

As he went home to his parents in Heaven, we know that Fred was welcomed with a rousing rendition of the LSU Fight Song, which for the first time in his life, didn't fall on deaf ears.

Fred is survived by his nine brothers and sisters, A.J.M. "Butch" Oustalet III (Andi); Ricky C. Oustalet (Kathy); Connie O. Byrne; Ronnie R. Oustalet (Andra); Jimmy B. Oustalet (Michelle); Lance R. Oustalet; Roxanne O. Oustalet (Jules); Michelle O. Lyons (Jimmy); Joel P. Oustalet (Lisa); 27 nieces and nephews, and more than 36 great-nieces and nephews.

A private family Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, followed by burial at Greenwood Cemetery in Jennings.

Fred was carried to his final resting place by his six brothers and two brothers-in-law, Jules A. Lagarde and Jimmy F. Lyons. The family wishes to thank Honorary Pallbearer Kirt Simon, who took special care of Fred for many years.

Our family wishes to thank everyone for their outpourings of prayer and for showing us the unconditional love that Fred shared on a daily basis.

In lieu of flowers, if you choose, the family asks that you make a donation to the charity of your choice in his honor.

Please wear a mask for Fred.

To extend online condolences, please visit our website at www.matthewsandsfuneralhome.net

Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews & Son Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Fred Zigler Oustalet*

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ *Dear Butch, Ricky, Connie, Ronnie, Jimmy, Lance, Roxanne, Michelle, Joel and your extended families,*

My memories of Freddie are summed up by his abundant joy and enthusiasm for life - those traits seemed to be ever present in him. I also reflect on the closeness that I witnessed when we visited with the Oustalet family. May God give you comfort and peace and as you remember the wonderful life of your dear brother Freddie, may his legacy of joy and enthusiasm for life live on through you.

Your cousin,

Bob Easley

Robert Easley - August 02, 2020 at 02:10 PM



“ *Read Breeland lit a candle in memory of Fred Zigler Oustalet*



Read Breeland - July 30, 2020 at 12:16 PM

JY

“ Please accept our sincere condolences. May fond memories comfort you as you journey without Fred in your midst; and may God bless you all at this time and in the days to come. May he R.I.P.

John R Young, Family and Staff

John R Young - July 26, 2020 at 09:17 PM

SH

“ I'm so sorry to hear about the loss of your brother. Prayers for all of the Oustalet family.

Sharon Hebert - July 24, 2020 at 04:24 PM

RB

“ Blessings to your family during these times of sorrow. May his memories and smile stay with you all.



Rebecca Becnel - July 23, 2020 at 09:24 PM

DB

“ On behalf of the Dealertrack and Auto Title Express family, I would like to extend our sincerest condolences. Love and prayers to all.

Danielle Brown - July 23, 2020 at 04:19 PM

TF

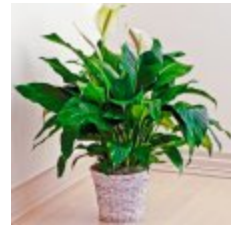
“ As a family, you all should have no regrets! To have stuck by his side all these years says millions about the character of each and everyone of you. You have made your parents proud! We are so sorry for your great loss!

The family of W. Dunham Smith Sr.

The W. Dunham Smith, Sr. Fly - July 23, 2020 at 09:54 AM

CF

“ Courtesy of Breaux Bridge Family purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Fred Zigler Oustalet.



Courtesy of Breaux Bridge Family - July 22, 2020 at 05:15 PM

CP

“ Our sincere condolences to the Oustalet family.
Kitty/Clarence Prudhomme

Clarence/Kitty Prudhomme - July 22, 2020 at 01:37 PM

RW

“ On behalf of the Officers, Directors and members of the Tennessee Automotive Association, I send our love, prayers and sincere condolences. I have been blessed to know several members of the family for many years. After reading about Fred Ziegler and the comments made about him, I feel like I knew him too. What a wonderful way to be remembered. We should all live our life to be thought of in such a special way. Sincerely, Bob Weaver

Roberts Weaver - July 22, 2020 at 01:14 PM



“ *White Standing Wreath was purchased for the family of Fred Zigler Oustalet.*



July 22, 2020 at 01:12 PM



“ *I know that Fred held a special place in the heart of your entire family and I'm certainly glad that I had the honor and privilege of meeting Fred. The manner in which your family turned what could have been adverse situation into a positive situation is testimony to your entire family, and Lena Mae and Bubba would be proud of each and every one of you.*

Dan, Ellen, Jonathan and Thomas Donaldson

DAN DONALDSON - July 22, 2020 at 12:58 PM



“ *Ricky,
I know Tom would have wanted to send his condolences. A prayer will be said for your brother.*

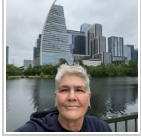
Dianna LaCroix [Tom LaCroix]

Dianna LaCroix - July 22, 2020 at 10:21 AM



“ *Rest in Peace Freddie.....I Remember in 1987 after my Wife passed, I walked into the Dealership and you came to me with teary eyes, looked at my eyes, and without saying a word said more to me than you can imagine. We need more Fredies in this world....*

Don Barre' - July 22, 2020 at 09:16 AM



“ Fred was special man and know him at Chinchuba school for the Deaf. He was so sweet man and always smile to everyone. Miss him so much! He was lucky to have wonderful friends and family who loved him very much. He was too good to everyone and always willing to help and always happy to help everyone cuz he had huge good heart. I love him to death. ;) He reunited his parent in heaven and his blessing family who take care of him. His soulmate is beautiful man. May God keeps him always! Now he is no more pain. Hugs



Erin Cazedessus - July 22, 2020 at 12:17 AM

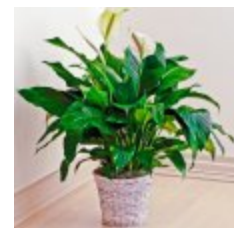
VL

“ To the Family of Free ZigglerOustalet. August&Virgie Lege are so broken hearted about Fred's sudden death with the Corona virus. It both broke our hearts when we heard about Fred.He was the nicest young man I ever came by. Yes he had disabled but he didn't show it .I know my nice Samantha Hickman will truely miss him. As I understand he was her friend, co worker, and he was real known in our Parrish and in our town. So I say to the family of Fred be kind to others just like your younger brother was to others.Andra and Ronnie and your children we love all of you and worked so long for you we consider you as our family.And we really miss all of you. Love Lege.

Virgie Lege - July 21, 2020 at 07:16 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Fred Zigler Oustalet.



July 21, 2020 at 07:11 PM

SK

“ *Such a beautiful smile. Rest In Peace Mr. Fred. 🌺. Sandra Killmer*

sandra killmer - July 21, 2020 at 04:47 PM

GM

“ *Gayle and I were shocked and saddened to hear about the passing of Fred.*

In the 27 years that we have lived in Jennings and attended masses at Our Lady Help of Christians Parish we have on many occasions seen Fred and some of his wonderful family there too. On my visits to the Oustalet Chevrolet store I often saw Fred hard at work helping to operate the family business.

My Father-in-law is a resident at the Southwest Louisiana Veterans Home, and we have attended the Christmas bingo games. I remember seeing Fred taking an active part in these festivities, and the residents and he seemed to have a great time.

There is no doubt in my mind that on July 17, 2020 there was a joyous reunion in Heaven when Fred got to join your Mom and Dad. Fred's family did an outstanding job taking care of him here on Earth, and he will now continue to be with his family forever.

Your family will be in our prayers.

Warmest regards,

Glenn & Gayle McFarlain

Glenn J. McFarlain - July 21, 2020 at 04:02 PM

FB

“ I always enjoyed visiting with Fred when I went into the dealership. His enthusiasm was ever-present. He will be missed by all who knew him. Prayers and sympathies to all the Oustalet family, including his work family.

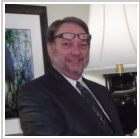
Fred Bergeaux - July 21, 2020 at 02:36 PM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Fred Zigler Oustalet.



July 21, 2020 at 02:33 PM



“ The family of Jude and Sandra Patterson Daigle would like to offer our deepest condolences to the family at the passing of Fred Oustalet. Know that we will keep the family in our thoughts and prayers during this great time of sorrow.

Jude Daigle
Alex-Pineville, LA

Jude Daigle - July 21, 2020 at 01:56 PM

LR

“ Such a beautiful tribute to a precious life well lived💕 My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Oustalet family at this time💔💔💔

Lisa Hebert Reed - July 21, 2020 at 01:11 PM

JT

“ Thoughts and prayers for the Oustalet family. With our deepest sympathy...

Jimmy & Bridget Thomas - July 21, 2020 at 12:58 PM

GM

“ We are so sorry for your loss. His warm, friendly smile was a gift to all, and the love and support of your family were wonderful to witness. His beautiful soul will be missed.

Greg and Jean Marcantel - July 21, 2020 at 12:51 PM

 Donna Richert

“ Fred was an amazing man! Always joyful and full of life, his spirit was contagious. After a visit with Fred, you always felt better.....always. I always got the feeling that he knew and felt more than we realized. Our community is dimmed by his loss and heaven is a brighter, happier place for sure. I imagine a great reunion for him with his parents. Fred was blessed by a most loving and devoted family. Our prayers are for them as they cope with his passing. Joel and I offer our sincerest sympathy. We will miss Fred as will so many others but we are all better for having known him. St. Fred, pray for us.

Donna Richert - July 21, 2020 at 10:55 AM

SM

“ I did not know Fred until I went to work for the Oustalet Automotive Group during my retirement. During the brief time I was there, he always had a smile and a wave for everyone he came in contact with. May Fred RIP and he will be missed by all who knew him.

Sylvia Meche - July 21, 2020 at 10:48 AM

JR

“ Sorry for y'all's loss. My thoughts and prayers are with y'all in the days to come. Always will remember Freddie meeting you at the Chevrolet dealership with a big smile & hand shake no matter what door you entered. Joyce Morgan Racca 🙏🙏🙏

Joyce Morgan Racca - July 21, 2020 at 10:35 AM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Fred Zigler Oustalet.



July 21, 2020 at 10:29 AM

SL

“ Sarah Benoit Louviere sent a virtual gift in memory of Fred Zigler Oustalet



Sarah Benoit louviere - July 21, 2020 at 09:52 AM

DM

“ The Marcantel family offers its sincere condolences to the Oustalet family for your great loss. We will keep you in our prayers.

David and Simone Marcantel

David Marcantnel - July 21, 2020 at 09:48 AM

NG

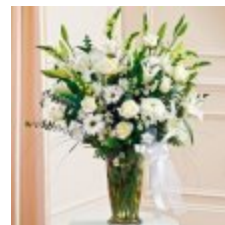
“ *What a beautiful soul that has now returned to the heavenly realms to be with his parents. He was indeed a light in the darkness and the center of his family! Always with a smile and with some laughter, he was willing to do whatever was asked of him. Oh how I yearned to talk with him, but in spite of his deaf ears I truly feel that he knew how people loved him. I hope that the entire Oustalet family will take solace in beautiful memories and the fact that he no longer has any disability at all. I am praying for you all.*

Nan (Oustalet) Gainey

Nan Gainey - July 21, 2020 at 09:18 AM



“ *White (Large) Sympathy Vase Arrangement was purchased for the family of Fred Zigler Oustalet.*



July 21, 2020 at 09:14 AM



“ *Springtime Wishes was purchased for the family of Fred Zigler Oustalet.*



July 21, 2020 at 08:31 AM



“ I was a teacher at Chinchuba when Fred attended. Because your family lost their home in Pass Christian, due to Camille, they asked me to care for Fred on weekends until they could get things back together on the Pass. For a few months, I had the pleasure of his company each weekend. He was the sweetest young man. We had lots of fun together. I think of him often, even though it had been over 50 years since I had the pleasure of his company. He will always be in my thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely and with love to Freddie, Ms. Pat Schneider

Patricia Schneider - July 21, 2020 at 07:26 AM

JB

“ My heart is heavy and crying for his passing. Great memories at La School for the Deaf and he's will always have a special place in my heart ❤️... Praying for his family...



John Byrd - July 21, 2020 at 04:43 AM



“ Please accept my heartfelt sympathies for your loss. He was my dorm roommate at Louisiana School for the Deaf, always shows a good school spirit, a genuine, good person. I will never forget him.

James Sahuc

James Sahuc - July 21, 2020 at 12:35 AM



“ Cindi Boudreaux Tabor & Elvist J. Tabor ,Jr.



To Families Oustalet of Fred
I am sorry for loss of your beloved brother.
He’s my old classmate, we were in Chinchubia school &Loiusana Deaf School, He was very sweet man. My prayers are with you all and his families and friends.
God bless Oustalet family!



Cindi Boudreaux Tabor - July 20, 2020 at 11:55 PM



“ Cathy Cunningham 🙏 lit a candle in memory of Fred Zigler Oustalet





Cathy Cunningham 🙏 - July 20, 2020 at 11:43 PM



“ Blessed are those who mourn for they will be comforted.. Anthony and Beverly Leblanc

Anthony and Beverly Leblanc - July 20, 2020 at 11:18 PM

BB

“ To family of Fred
I am sorry for loss of your beloved  brother. I remember him when we were in Chinchubia school. He was very sweet man. My prayers  are with you all and his family and friends. God bless Oustalet family!

Bekky Brown - July 20, 2020 at 11:07 PM


RH

“ His contagious sweet smile, Will be missed. He touched my life, especially on bad days, he just didn't know it. I will miss my drive way talks with him when he was with Ronnie.
Our thoughts and prayers are with y'all. May Fred Rest In Peace.

Rhonda Boudreaux and Family

Rhonda - July 20, 2020 at 11:02 PM

DT

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all who always took care of him and kept him close. Fred touched a lot of lives and was one of our favorite Tiger fans. His smiling face and wave will be missed by those who saw him daily as well as those who saw him occasionally. May he Rest In Peace 

Dale and Joni Thibodeaux - July 20, 2020 at 09:27 PM

PP

“ The love and joy that Fred brought to everyone won't be forgotten. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers at this time. Our love to all.

Penny and Ken Pierce

penny pierce - July 20, 2020 at 07:50 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Fred Zigler Oustalet.*



July 20, 2020 at 05:16 PM



“ *His “welcome smile” will be missed
Dusty J Young*

Dusty Young - July 20, 2020 at 05:15 PM



“ *Quarterback Club will not be the same without him! Never was there a bigger Bulldog fan on Friday nights!!!*

Joseph David - July 20, 2020 at 04:59 PM