



Gerald Thaddeus Craven

July 3, 1943 - September 27, 2021

The family of Gerald Thaddeus Craven are mourning the loss of their loved one who was called from this life on September 27, 2021, at the age of 78. Gerald was the second oldest son born on July 3, 1943, to Jimmie Craven and Thelma Simien Craven in Mallet, LA and was member of St. Ann Catholic Church in Mallet, LA. He was residing in Opelousas, LA with his wife at the time of his passing.

Gerald was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and son, and a beloved uncle to his nieces and nephews. He was a loving, hardworking, and laid-back man and a kind and gentle soul who valued his family above all else. Many of his nieces and nephews remember days spent laughing with “Nonk Doo”, cooking on the weekends, working with him on his brick jobs, playing bingo, and playing pool with the King of the pool table. He was the life of the party and there was never a dull moment. He will be deeply missed by those who knew and loved him.

Gerald is survived by his beloved wife, Dobra Jane Sonnier Craven; one son Thaddeus Kyle Craven and daughter Amanda C. Craven; grandchildren Desira Pace (Brandon), Kacey Thomas (John), and Kennedy Colomb; one great-granddaughter Layla Thomas; one brother Jimmie Craven, II; his sisters Genora Craven Sonnier; JoAn Craven Fontenot (Marcus), Phyllis Craven Broussard (Ernest), all of Lake Charles, LA, and Annette Ardoin, of Sugarland, TX; as well as his goddaughter Sherrene Simien-Cotton; and numerous other nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Gerald was preceded in death by his parents, Jimmie and Thelma Craven; his daughter Rochelle Marie Craven Colomb; one great-granddaughter Nevaeh Antoinette Thomas; sisters Maxine Craven Kerlegon Perez and Carmelita Craven Renee; nephew Mario Randall Sonnier; and numerous sisters and brothers in law.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a visitation and gathering on Friday, October 1, 2021 from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm in the chapel of Matthews and Son Funeral Home in Jennings, LA.

To express condolences and share memories, please visit www.matthewsandsonfuneralhome.net

Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews & Son Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

OCT 1. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Matthews Funeral Home - JENNINGS
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gerald Thaddeus Craven*

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ *My condolence to the Craven's family. May he rest in eternal glory!*



Alonds Gobert - October 01, 2021 at 11:29 AM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Gerald Thaddeus Craven.*



October 01, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Mona Cirrito and family purchased the Cherished Memories - All White for the family of Gerald Thaddeus Craven.*



Mona Cirrito and family - September 29, 2021 at 11:20 PM