



## Gerald "Jerry" Marcel Dugas

October 29, 1929 - March 20, 2016

"Jerry"

Gerald Marcel Dugas

Jennings: The family and friends of Gerald "Jerry" Marcel Dugas are mourning the loss of their loved one who was called from this life on March 20, 2016 at the age of 86. Jerry was born in Carencro, LA to Willie "Frere" Dugas and Lauris Mouton Dugas on October 28, 1929. Jerry worked for KJEF & KSIG for over 50 years. He loved to go for walks, loved to dance and listen to Cajun music. Jerry especially loved spending time with his family. Throughout his life, Jerry was honored with many awards for the work that he did, his most cherished awards were being inducted into the Official Cajun Music Hall of Fame in 1997, his Cajun French Music Association Pioneer award in 1993, and his CFMA award for his 53 years of dedication to promoting Cajun Music and help preserving our Cajun Heritage and Culture. He was loved by many and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Jerry is survived by his companion of 35 years, Louise G. Bergeron of Jennings, LA; three daughters, Gerry Ann Traylor of Dallas, TX, Diane Savoy (Darrell) of Carencro, LA, Shelley Dugas (Dale Biessenberger) of Carencro, LA; one sister-in-law, Joyce Dugas of Carencro, LA; three step children, Lisa Landry (Larry) of Iowa, LA, Angie Hardy (Sam) of Sulphur, LA, Kenneth Bergeron (Bea) of Jennings, LA; four grandchildren, Russell Traylor, Nikki

Scancella, Emily Biessenberger, Bryce Biessenberger; one great-grandchild, Dominic Scancella; as well as numerous step grandchildren.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, Willie and Lauris Dugas; one brother, Chester Dugas; one great granddaughter, Chiara Scancella

Funeral services for Gerald "Jerry" Dugas will be held at the Matthews and Son Funeral Home in Jennings, LA on Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at 2:00 PM with Father Charles McMillin officiating. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery. Visitation will be held at Matthews & Son Funeral Home in Jennings on Tuesday, March 22nd from 4:30 PM until 9:00 PM with a rosary recited at 6:00 PM. The family request that visitation resume on Wednesday March 23rd at 9:00 AM and continue until the time of his funeral service.

Carrying Jerry to his final resting place in Greenwood Cemetery will be Larry Landry, Tyler Landry, Bryce Biessenberger, Kenneth Bergeron, Keenan Landry and Sam Hardy. Honorary pallbearers will be Barney Barnes and Russell Traylor.

In lieu of flowers the family request that donations be made to the American Heart Association.

To extend online condolences, please visit our website at [www.matthewsandsfuneralhome.net](http://www.matthewsandsfuneralhome.net)

Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews & Son Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenwood Cemetery

Evangeline Rd.  
Jennings, LA 70546

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 22. 4:30 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

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

## Rosary

MAR 22. 6:00 PM (CT)

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## Visitation

MAR 23. 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Service

MAR 23. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Gerald "Jerry" Marcel Dugas*

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ *I met Jerry in 1973 while researching Cajun music. Wonderful fellow. Just found this picture in my old negatives.*



**Ron Stanford** - April 19, 2018 at 09:30 AM



“ *Jerry Dugas was THE VOICE of Cajun Music Radio. His sound and styling was uniquely identifiable. There will never be another Cajun DJ like him. I have many fond memories of his voice coming over the tractor radios while working in the fields.*

*Joe Rogers*

**Joe Rogers** - March 30, 2016 at 10:03 AM



*Thanks Joe!*

**Diane Dugas Savoy** - May 22, 2016 at 04:02 PM

TC

“ Jerry was a big help to me when, as an 18 year old, I started work at the station in 1968. My sincere sympathy to his family.

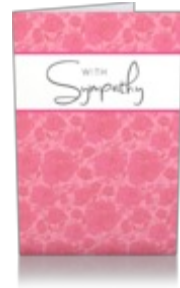
*Thad H. Carter*

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**Thad Carter** - March 24, 2016 at 08:33 AM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Gerald "Jerry" Marcel Dugas.



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March 23, 2016 at 02:01 PM

CB

“ No weekend was ever complete when I was growing up without listening to Jerry Dugas on KJEF. Rest In Peace my friend and when you get a second, say hi to Jesus for me. Your friend, Cedric Benoit.

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**Cedric Benoit** - March 23, 2016 at 10:56 AM

GM

“ Condolences to your family, Robert, Nova and daughter-Maddie Barns especially.

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**Glenn Miller** - March 22, 2016 at 02:59 PM

LR

“ A person that departs from this earth never truly leaves, for they are still alive in our hearts, through us, they live on. Please accept our heartfelt condolences. We will definitely miss the presence of Mr. Gerald who was a truly lovable and kind person.

~Camelot Brookside staff

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**Luke Richard** - March 22, 2016 at 06:49 AM

CC

“ Corinn & Cindy purchased the Yellow & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Gerald "Jerry" Marcel Dugas.



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**Corinn & Cindy** - March 22, 2016 at 02:52 AM

CJ

“ Gerry, my prayers are with you and your family. May the Lord comfort you during this time. Be strengthened in His Love! Cindy JJ



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**Cindy Jenkins Johnson** - March 22, 2016 at 01:41 AM

LP

“ My family met Mr. Dugas in 1968 when I was Cajun Queen in Port Arthur Tx, with Tee Bruce Broussard. I was on Mr. Dugas radio station with him and still have pictures of that day. So sorry for your loss. May he RIP.

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**Linda Poche Prioux** - March 21, 2016 at 10:20 PM

DL

“ Jerry Dugas set the standards as to what it took to be a Cajun dj. He was an ambassador who served his Cajun culture well. Cajun country has suffered a great loss. I am thankful for what I learned from him and the inspiration he was to me that gave me the courage to start my own show. May he rest in peace. Merci pour votre service monsieur.

Derek P. Landry - March 21, 2016 at 09:10 PM

JE

Well said Derek! He will live on through you.

Jeremy - March 22, 2016 at 11:53 AM

SC

“ A true gentleman, RIP Mr Dugas

Sharon Richard Core



sharon core - March 21, 2016 at 06:20 PM

JE

“ We couldn't wait until Saturday mornings to get up and listen to The Jerry Dugas Show, "Allons Danse." Mr. Jerry truly was a legend and pioneer of Cajun music. In my opinion the best radio DJ. I am so thankful that over the last several years we spent time talking about his career in the barber shop. It was truly a pleasure to know him. Rest In Peace Mon Ami.

Jeremy - March 21, 2016 at 04:48 PM

PC

“ *My deepest sympathies are with your family.  
With Love,  
Paige Crochet*

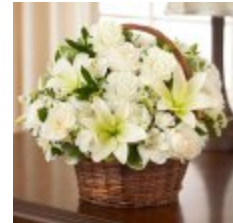


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**Paige Crochet** - March 21, 2016 at 03:44 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was  
purchased for the family of Gerald "Jerry" Marcel  
Dugas.*



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March 21, 2016 at 10:11 AM

LR

“ *Gerry Ann, Diane and Shelly, I'm so sorry to hear about your dad.  
My deepest sympathies to you during this difficult time. He was  
much loved in Jennings.*

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**Lynne (Roy) Remson** - March 21, 2016 at 01:05 AM