



Irance Fontenot

May 29, 1927 - March 11, 2013

Irance Fontenot Jennings: The family and friends of Mr. Irance Fontenot are mourning the loss of their dear loved one who was welcomed into the arms of Jesus during the early morning hours on Friday, March 8, 2013 while in the comfort of his home in Jennings. He was 85 years old. A mass of Christian burial will be held at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Jennings, LA on Monday, March 11, 2013 at 10 AM with the Very Rev. Anthony Fontenot officiating his services. He will be laid to rest in Calvary Mausoleum. Irance was born in Mamou, LA to the late Olide Fontenot and the late Elmira Landreneau Fontenot on May 29, 1927. He served his country honorably during WWII in the United States Army. Following his military service, Irance worked in the sawmills in Millerville. It was there he met the love of his life, Beverly "Belva" Daigle and they were married on July 4, 1945. Irance also worked at the 7-UP Bottling Company and Wonder Chip Distributor. In 1967, Irance purchased his first business, Fontenot's Food Mart and ran it successfully until his retirement in 1998. He also owned and operated the "Super Chicken" here in Jennings. He was a member of the Jennings Chamber of Commerce. Irance was a faithful parishioner of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, a Eucharistic minister, and he also served on the parish council making many retreats in Grand Coteau. He was also a 3rd degree knight and charter member with the Knights of Columbus Chapter 9110. Irance enjoyed attending spiritual retreats, fishing at the family camp, vacationing in Galveston, TX, watching the New Orleans Saints play football

with his season tickets, and spending time with his family. He was very dearly loved and will be greatly missed. Irance is survived by one son, Roger Dale Fontenot and his wife Helen of Jennings; his daughter, Kathy Lanthier and her husband Leonard of Hathaway; his eight grandchildren, Shannon and Travis Duhon, Becky Fontenot, Ben Fontenot, Tiffany and Steven Sparks, Brittney Fontenot Roy, and Toby Lanthier; twelve great grandchildren, Darian Lanthier, Morganne Fontenot, Karsen Fontenot, Madison Lanthier, Noah Duhon, Hayden Duhon, Taylor Sparks, Makenzie Roy, Alex Sparks, Jagger Lanthier, Emma Sparks, and Cate Fontenot; and his special friend, Ms. Ruby Chapman Guidry. Carrying Irance to his eternal resting place in Calvary Cemetery will be Ben Fontenot, Toby Lanthier, Steven Sparks, Trey Gotte, Travis Duhon, and Logan Planchard. Honorary pallbearers will be Noah Duhon, Hayden Duhon, Taylor Sparks, Alex Sparks, Jagger Lanthier, Emma Sparks, Cate Fontenot, Karsen Fontenot, Morganne Fontenot, Darian Lanthier, Madison Lanthier, and Makenzie Roy. Visitation will be held at Matthews & Son Funeral Home in Jennings, LA on Sunday, March 10th from 2:30 PM until 9 PM with a rosary recited at 7 PM. Visiting hours will resume on Monday at 8 AM until the time of his funeral mass. The Fontenot family would like to give a heart felt thank you to the staff of Louisiana Hospice and Palliative Care: Catha Doucet, Chanda Ardoin, Kelly Breaus, Kathleen Guidry, Christy Davidson, George Houssierre, and Paul Estes.

Tribute Wall



“ *Irance Fontenot*

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ *sorry for your loss*

Darrell LeBlanc - March 09, 2013 at 07:30 PM



“ *Irance was always a great support to me @IC and always seemed to have a peaceful and gentle demeanor. I know he will be missed by many family members and friends. May he rest in peace...*

DEACON ED MCNALLY - March 09, 2013 at 05:28 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss, praying for your family.*

jennifer benoit - March 08, 2013 at 07:54 PM