



Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr.

December 4, 1953 - September 2, 2016

Nathan Ray Fontenot, Jr.

Jennings: Nathan was born in Jennings, LA on December 4, 1953 to Nathan Ray Fontenot, Sr. and Eugenia Lorrain Fontenot. He was called to his Heavenly Father on September 2, 2016. Nathan loved outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, and golfing. He was an avid sportsman. Nathan was a Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus and a member of the Kiwanis Club. Mostly, Nathan will be remembered for his work with the public as a Dentist for the last 35 years. He was loved by many and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Nathan is survived by father, Nathan Ray Fontenot, Sr. of Hayes, LA; his beloved wife, Sherry Jean Hanley Fontenot of Jennings, LA; three sons, Nathan Ray (Kristy) Fontenot, III of Lake Charles, LA. Dr. Shane Bennett (Micah) Fontenot of Jennings, LA, and Dustin Paul (Shannon) Fontenot of Jennings, LA; daughter, Ashley Marie (Aaron) Granger of Lacassine, LA; two brothers, Mike (Lisa) Fontenot of Lafayette, LA and Robert "Bobby" (Cindy) Fontenot of Hayes, LA; two sisters, Lorraine (Eddie) Fogg of Seattle, WA and Marilyn (Richard) Breaux of Iowa, LA; and seven grandchildren, Emily, Blake, Ryan, Piper, Hayden, Gabrielle, and Leah.

Nathan was preceded in death by his mother, Eugenia Lorrain Fontenot; and

father and mother-in-law, Dr. H.A. and Judy Hundley Hanley.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Nathan Fontenot, Jr, 62 of Jennings, LA will be held at Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church at 11:00 AM with Reverend Charles McMillin officiating. The family requests that visitation be held at Matthews and Son Funeral Home on Monday, September 5th from 3:00 PM until 9:00 PM with a Rosary recited at 6:00 PM. Visitation will resume on Tuesday, September 6th at 8:00 AM until the time of his service. Nathan will be laid to rest in Derouen-Lorraine Cemetery in Hayes, LA.

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

Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews & Son Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Derouen-Lorrain

Lorrain Rd.
Hayes, LA

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 5. 3:00 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

SEP 5. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

SEP 6. 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Service

SEP 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church
710 North State St.
Jennings, LA 70546

Tribute Wall



“ *Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ *So very sorry for your loss. Nathan and I first met in dental school, and after we realized we had both been in KA, we started our friendship. The last time I got to see him was at one of the LDA seminars in Destin. He was a wonderful person, and I can't even begin to understand the loss you all must feel. Your family is in my prayers. God bless you. Donald DeLatin*

Donald DeLatin - September 23, 2016 at 09:36 PM



“ *Fontenot Family Sorry for ur lost Nathan was My Dintest for 39 years. I rmeber when i would go see him he was always Jokeing a round i will miss him but i know he is wirth Jesus now U all r in My Prayers God bless u all*



Tanya Santana - September 09, 2016 at 09:28 PM



“ *My prayers and deepest condolences to this family. He will be truly missed.*

Denisefontenot Guidry - September 07, 2016 at 06:51 AM

RC

“ One memory and one comment:

When I was in 10th grade study hall {1971) at Lagrange at least 2 times an hour most every day, the coach on duty in there would say, "Natan thanks enough". I was amused how the coach had trouble with the th in Nathan. I sat in the front and Nathan and a small mob of girls sat towards the back at an another table. What I saw was that he mostly did nothing that seemed to amuse the entire table. He must have been some what of a charmer. Those girls giggled and cackled in a cadence like chickens. As a 10th grader observing this upper class man, I must I admit I was a little envious.

Comment:

Christa shared with Cindy and I how warm welcoming Nathan and his family were and still are to her. I am grateful for that gift he gave my daughter.

Our prayers will be for Nathan and for all of Nathan's family at this time of loss,

Reggie and Cindy and family

Reggie and Cindy Courville - September 06, 2016 at 10:36 PM

TH

“Nathan can go before Christ and enter heaven a very happy soul. It was not just that he was a kind and nice person, good natured, and good humored, but he was a good example to others. His treasure on earth was his family. His greatest achievement along with his wife was his children. He and his wife raised wonderful happy successful children. That means more than anything else. To have that many children and they all enter life as good people speaks so much and tells so much about Nathan. His children have so much to be thankful for in their time of grief. I know he left a strong mark on them and I hope and pray that they find peace knowing he is happy in heaven.

Thomas Hensgens

Thomas Hensgens - September 06, 2016 at 07:37 PM

HS

“Huck And Brenda Spell lit a candle in memory of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr.



Huck and Brenda Spell - September 06, 2016 at 11:08 AM

HS

It is with a heavy heart that we must say good-bye to this sweet man. He was so loved by my husband and I. Although our lives crossed for such a short time in comparison to that of yours and your family, he had a big impact on our lives. He blessed us in so many way with comedy and friendship and that infectious smile that lit up a room. We are so glad that God brought him and his family in our lives. We are richer by far for knowing this kind and sweet man. Your entire family will be in our prayers and as a friend we will be praying that God will allow us as a couple that experienced his friendship, to never forget the time spent in his presence. His kindness and laughter will be so sorrowfully missed. Please know that we are only a phone call away if there is anything we can do to help ease this burden on your hearts.

Huck and Brenda Spell - September 06, 2016 at 11:27 AM

DD

“Nathan was a great friend as we shared several of our years together, graduating from LaGrange, hangin' with Bobby G., and subsequently becoming brothers in Kappa Sigma together, while we were at McNeese. As is the unfortunate inability to stay in touch with those around us whom we count as dear friends, the passing of one of our dear friends serves to painfully remind me of our own mortality, but at least, am buoyed in and by our spirituality. Nathan was one of those friends that you just knew was going to take his many wonderful traits throughout his life and that expectation is obviously reflected in the number, quality and character of those of you around him, which is only confirmed and underscored by the many tributes you have offered which are reflected in these postings.

I hope that those of you who surrounded Nathan throughout his life are able to celebrate his life more so than mourning his passing. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you who knew Nathan throughout his life to join in that celebration with one another.

Nathan was a great young man, wonderful friend and person to know and obviously grew into a great man as well.

My very best regards to all of you who have had the privilege of knowing him,

Don DeGabrielle

Don DeGabrielle - September 06, 2016 at 11:03 AM

TF

“Our condolences and prayers are with the Fontenot family.
Talmadge Fogg family.

Talmadge Fogg - September 06, 2016 at 10:46 AM

PL

“ I will always remember some wonderful times at Kiwanis with Nathan Fontenot. My thoughts and prayers are with his family now. He was a wonderful person.

Patty (Lingo) Laverdet - Spotsylvania VA

Patricia Laverdet - September 06, 2016 at 07:53 AM

KL

“ I'll always remember Dr Fontenot as a kind and sincere man who's personality and sense of humor were contagious. My prayers are with his family at this time. May God give them peace.

Kehau Lani - September 05, 2016 at 08:31 PM



“ Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr..



September 05, 2016 at 04:02 PM

KQ

“ Our family has all of you in our thoughts and prayers. Dr Nathan was a very kind, thoughtful, giving person. He was always smiling, he loved to tell us about the kids. He was a very proud man and extremely proud of the adults his children have become. He is smiling down on all of you now. He is very proud of you all and has a very special place in heaven. God bless you all and keep you safe. Our prayers will be with you for a very long time.

Karen Quebedeaux - September 05, 2016 at 02:57 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr..*



September 05, 2016 at 02:01 PM



“ *Jean, may your beloved husband, Nathan's life story and all he contributed to you, your family and community remain a tribute in your heart. May the Lord give you great strength and wisdom as God's widow.*

Nathan as you know was greatly respected among my family. Thank you for being great neighbors and friends to my late parents. With Love & Prayer, Irene Lackey Milam.

Irene Lackey Milam - September 05, 2016 at 12:24 PM



“ *45 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Matthews Funeral Home - September 05, 2016 at 10:27 AM

LL

“ Jean, only a few weeks ago you were so helpful to my requests. I spoke to you of my time meeting Nathan several years ago. As could immediately be seen he was a very kind, outgoing and loving person. Wishing I could help relieve your families heartfelt loss. God bless you all. Nathan is now looking down upon you with a heart full of care and love.

Larry and Lois LaFargue

Larry and Lois LaFargue - September 05, 2016 at 10:15 AM



“ Peaceful Wishes was purchased for the family of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr..



September 05, 2016 at 09:57 AM



“ Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr..



September 05, 2016 at 08:39 AM

RO

“ It's hard to understand what people are taken from us , but find some comfort in knowing that you were a special part of A well lived life.

Ronnie Odom, K£

Ronnie Odom - September 05, 2016 at 08:29 AM



“ *A wonderful man as well as a wonderful, kind hearted, sweet spirited dentist. You could not ask for a kinder, gentler person in his nature and manner of working with his patients. His conversations were as fun loving and happiness filled as could be. Me and my family will miss him!!! Our hearts and prayers go out to his wonderful family in this sad time. GOD needed an angel, so he called this special man home. He is the angel for your homes now in a different way. GOD bless and keep each of you in your time of loss and sorrow.*



*With love,
Jonitta Edwards and Family*

Jonitta Edwards - September 05, 2016 at 01:18 AM

SM

“ *Jean*

This is Sandy McFarlain. I don't know if you remember me, but you taught 2 of my sons when you were at Evangeline Elementary. They were Chris and Eric. They thought you were the best teacher ever. Just wanted to tell you how very sorry I am to hear about your loss. There are no words to ease your pain so just know that you and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Ashley

This is your home health hip replacement patient. Please accept my condolences and know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers also.

Sandy McFarlain

Sandy McFarlain - September 04, 2016 at 09:05 PM

PM

“ *Sympathy and prayers. I always enjoyed visiting with Nathan at dental meetings. It was always evident how much he loved his family and that he was very proud of his children. Nathan loved the outdoors and he spoke about his patients like they were extended family. He loved the patients he served. Nathan's life has established a legacy that has made the LSUSD class of 1981 proud. Rickey and Pamela Gautreaux McCalister, DDS*

pamela mcalister - September 04, 2016 at 07:11 PM

MM

“ *So very sorry for your loss. Nathan was a fraternity brother and a really great person. My wife and I will pray for his soul and for his family to have the strength to get through this trying time. Mike and Joel McCall*

Mike McCall - September 04, 2016 at 02:28 PM

PF

“ *Paul G. White Family Shelia Jo White Family purchased the White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr..*



Paul G. White Family Shelia Jo White Family - September 04, 2016 at 02:24 PM

PC

“ *Patrick and Kristen Cassidy purchased the Simpl y Lily for the family of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr..*



Patrick and Kristen Cassidy - September 04, 2016 at 01:39 PM

DD

“ Don & Linda Duplechin lit a candle in memory of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr.



Don & Linda Duplechin - September 04, 2016 at 12:17 PM

CG

“ Charlotte Dietz Green sent a virtual gift in memory of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr.



Charlotte Dietz Green - September 04, 2016 at 11:55 AM

CG

To the family of Dr. Nathan: There are really no words that can ease your pain and loss that you are feeling at this time, so I will keep all of you in my prayers. I do want to say I was very blessed to have had the chance in the last couple of years to have worked for Dr. Nathan. He was always very kind and understanding and I feel very fortunate to have known him. May God be with each of you.

Charlotte Dietz Green - September 04, 2016 at 12:08 PM

AN

Nathan will be greatly missed. It has been many years since I taught piano to Melinda, and the other folks of the Hanlwys. My prayers are wil you all. Alice E. Stackhouse in Jennings

Alice E. Stackhouse , NCTM - September 04, 2016 at 10:39 PM



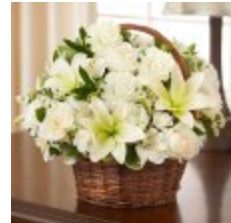
“ *Charlotte Dietz Green lit a candle in memory of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr.*



Charlotte Dietz Green - September 04, 2016 at 11:52 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr..*



September 04, 2016 at 11:33 AM



“ *White Sympathy Baskets was purchased for the family of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr..*



September 04, 2016 at 12:47 AM



“ *Shirley Salverda lit a candle in memory of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr.*



Shirley Salverda - September 03, 2016 at 10:45 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Yellow and White was purchased for the family of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr..*



September 03, 2016 at 10:18 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr..*



September 03, 2016 at 10:17 PM



“ *Praying for the family strength such a blessing to have him as our family dentist..*



Jeanette Soularie - September 03, 2016 at 09:39 PM



“ *I am so saddened by the loss of Nathan. My heart is heavy for all of you. I pray for God's peace, comfort and guidance during this most difficult of times. May eternal rest be granted unto him.*

Molly Roe - September 03, 2016 at 08:55 PM

AL

“ On behalf of Mrs Lillie Trahan and myself Anita Legros and my girls Briana an Paige Fontenot , we would like to send the family our condolences..R.I.P....DR.FONTENOT

Anita Legros - September 03, 2016 at 08:25 PM

 Linda OQuain

“ Our family was sadden by the loss of Dr. Fontenot. He was the nicest man. We are sorry for your loss. Your family are in our prayers.

Darrell, Linda, Lauren & Amanda O'Quain

Linda OQuain - September 03, 2016 at 07:08 PM

DP

I am sadden by the loss of Dr. Fontenot. I loved my dentist. Praying for the family. Deloris Pitre

deloris pitre - September 03, 2016 at 08:01 PM

CP

“ Cindy Price lit a candle in memory of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr.



Cindy Price - September 03, 2016 at 06:22 PM

CP

My thoughts and prayers are with you all. God Bless

Cindy Price - September 03, 2016 at 06:23 PM



“ *My family and I are so sorry for the loss of Nathan. He was a great guy and a joy to be around. He will be missed by all.*



Pam Benoit - September 03, 2016 at 05:33 PM



“ *Pamela Leonard lit a candle in memory of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr.*



Pamela Leonard - September 03, 2016 at 05:01 PM



“ *Patsy Courville lit a candle in memory of Nathan Ray Fontenot Jr.*



Patsy Courville - September 03, 2016 at 04:42 PM



“ *On behalf of the DeRouen family in Los Angeles, my sincerest condolences to Nathan, Jr.'s family. After many years, I saw him at my mother's services (Nevers M. DeRouen) last summer and he was so kind, charming and a true gentleman. I so enjoyed visiting with him. Although I am so far away and disconnected, the Fontenot family is forever in my heart. With love and prayers, Irion DeRouen*

Irion DeRouen - September 03, 2016 at 04:15 PM

PP

“ You have a big job now taking care of all of your family from Heaven. Thank you for all the kindness and goodness you did for all here on earth. You will not be forgotten.

Aunt Pink

Pauline Poole - September 03, 2016 at 03:30 PM

CD

“ Dustin and Shannon: I am so sorry about the death of Dr. Fontenot. May God comfort you and your family as only he can!!!!

Carolyn C Delahoussaye - September 03, 2016 at 01:32 PM

RM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. From the Myers', Keith & Renee, Ashley & Jeff LaBouve , Laci & Heath Lemieux, & Kolby & Darla Myers

Renee' Myers - September 03, 2016 at 01:22 PM