



Francis L. Durand

July 24, 1922 - June 4, 2008

Born in St. Martinville, Louisiana on July 24, 1922, Francis Durand passed away in Sugar Land, Texas after a short battle with brain cancer. He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Ruth Stolhandske Durand; daughter, Stephanie Brooks and husband, Randy; son, Daniel T. Durand and wife, Brenda; daughter-in-law, Janet Durand; grandchildren, Preston Smith, wife, Crystal, Brandy Durand, Tiffany French, husband, Will, Katherine Durand, Kyle Durand and great-grandson, Brody Durand; sisters, Betty Durand and Claire Durand Haydel who both still reside in St. Martinville. He is preceded in death by his son, William F. Durand and numerous brothers and sisters. Francis was a veteran of World War II as well as the Korean War, having served in the Navy during that time. He was a retired partner of the accounting firm Ernst & Young and worked as a consultant up until the time of his death. Francis was known to all as a kind-hearted and gentle man and was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. He and his wife, Ruth reside in Aransas Pass, Texas.

Services

Visitation will be from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Friday, June 6, 2008 at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North with a Vigil/Rosary at 7:00 PM. The Mass of the Resurrection will begin at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 7, 2008 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Interment will follow in Mission Burial Park North. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to The American Cancer Society or St. Jude's Hospital.

Tribute Wall

DK

“ Terry and I were saddened to hear of your father's passing. Be strong and know that our thoughts are with you. Regards, Debra & TK

Debra & Terry Krueger - July 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ Uncle Francis was one of the best all around people I knew. We will miss him but I know for sure he is in heaven. Not many Durand's get to go where he is going.

Louis Durand - June 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ Dear Ruth,
As good a Christian man and loving person that Francis was, I am convinced that he will not have to show his passport to enter the Pearly Gates of Heaven. Love. Spike

Albert Hough - June 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

The William H. Borchers Family

William H. Borchers - June 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ I was so sorry to hear about Uncle Francis' diagnosis and passing. Sou Sou kept us informed of what was happening. I know there is a whole group of lovely people waiting for him! The Durands are such a wonderful family! I loved visiting with everyone

Lauren Cheetham - June 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Aunt Ruth and family.
I was so sorry to hear about Uncle Francis' passing. I have very fond memories of him as a kind and gentle man. I am sure he is with Mama and the rest of the family waiting for the card game to start. Please know that my prayer

Jimmy Champagne - June 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Dear Mrs. Durand,
Mother Mrs. E.C. Daniels join us in expressing our condolences. Please know you're in our thoughts at this time.
With sympathy,
Rosemarie Daniels and also, Inga and Robert Canfield

Robert Canfield - June 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Danny and Brenda,
Our thoughts and prayers go out to you all during this very difficult time. May you find comfort in knowing that your Dad is at peace. God be with you.
Harrison, Julie, Jim and Lauren Cole

Julie Cole - June 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM