



Armand S. "Smiley" Russell

September 26, 1950 - June 29, 2020

Armand S. "Smiley" Russell passed away peacefully at his residence in Kenner, LA on Monday, June 29, 2020 at the age of 69. He was born in New Orleans, LA on September 26, 1950.

Beloved husband of Sharon W. Russell, his wife of 48 years. Son of the late Dorothy Elizabeth Huber Russell and James J. Russell, Jr. Brother of Carl M. Russell and the late James J. "Rusty" Russell, III. Grandson of the late James J. Russell, Sr. and Felicie Daverede Russell and Freda Sendker Huber and George J. Huber, Sr. Cousin of Susan H. Smits (Chris), George Huber III, Eric Hager, and the late Dayna Hager. Also survived by other cousins, many nieces and nephews and close friends, Karen and Aaron Damare and their children, Katie and Ayden. Armand "Smiley" will be missed dearly by everyone who knew him.

Armand served in the U.S. Army during Vietnam and was honorably discharged. He worked at Avondale Shipyards as a supervisor for 42 years. Armand truly earned the name "Smiley" as he gave a lot of smiles and earned a lot of smiles because of his happy and playful nature.

Armand was a true sportsman and a hunting and fishing enthusiast, but particularly, deer hunting. In fact, one of the happiest times in his life is when he killed his 24-point buck. He loved the holidays and loved to dress up at Christmas as Santa Claus and wear his Easter Bunny Hat at Easter and drop off presents for the children in his life, and visited everywhere he had friends and acquaintances.

I would like to thank the VA Hospital and the care team for the excellent care. Thanks to Dr. Stacey Mandras and the staff of Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension Team at Ochsner. Thanks to Anjeanette Tassin, RN, and the staff of Heart of Hospice.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the visitation at L. A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home, 2607 Williams Blvd., Kenner, on Saturday, July 11, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. followed by a Memorial Service at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, please send donations in his memory to Magnolia School for Adults with Developmental Disabilities at 100 Central Avenue, Jefferson, LA 70121.

In keeping with President Cynthia Lee Sheng's Executive Order, you are required to wear a mask to enter this facility. If you are unable to attend, please share memories, photos or condolences at www.muhleisen.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 11. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

L. A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home
2607 Williams Boulevard
Kenner, LA 70062

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Armand S. "Smiley" Russell*



L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home - July 08, 2020 at 05:48 PM

KD

He will be missed by us all so much. We loved them so much

Karen Damare - July 09, 2020 at 06:41 PM

CC

Thx cuzin. You had a big heart. He will be missed for sure. So sorry Sharon

Craig Chilton - July 26, 2020 at 05:33 PM

EM

You will be missed very much. You could not have been a better person and funner person It was a blessing to have been in your life. Many wonderful memories. Rest in Peace Our prayers and thoughts are with you Sharon.

Evelyn, Tony and the kids

Evelyn Montesdeoca - July 28, 2020 at 09:55 PM



“ *Armand S. "Smiley" Russell*

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM

EM

“ Evelyn Montesdeoca sent a virtual gift in memory of Armand S. "Smiley" Russell



Evelyn Montesdeoca - July 28, 2020 at 10:09 PM

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“ Evelyn Montesdeoca lit a candle in memory of Armand S. "Smiley" Russell



Evelyn Montesdeoca - July 28, 2020 at 10:08 PM

KD

“ Smiley ALWAYS found a way to get my kids excited. Him & Sharon came yearly as the Easter Bunny and left trails of candy for the kids growing up. They LOVED how sweet & caring they both were to us all



Karen Damare - July 11, 2020 at 11:16 PM

WF

“ So sorry that I couldn;t make the services for " Smiley " I worked with him at ASI back in the 70's but saw him occasionally through out our time there . He was a Great Guy ! RIP Smiley !!!

walter falgout - July 11, 2020 at 11:20 AM

CC

Hey Walter. What dept were you with. I'm his cuzin.i was a crazy 8 myself

Craig Chilton - July 27, 2020 at 09:13 PM

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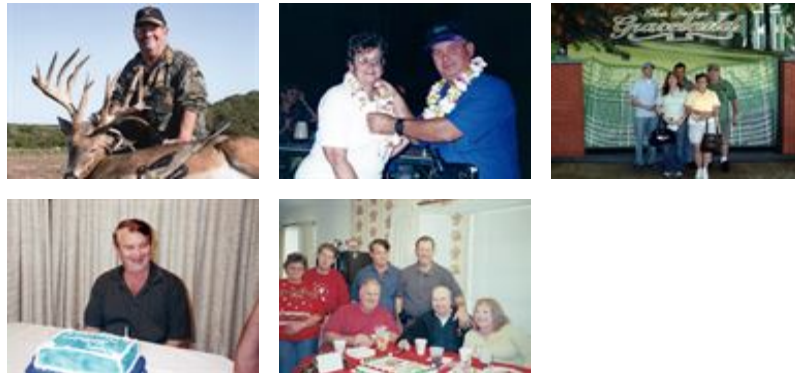
“ *Armand is the type of soul the world could use more of.... meeting and gaining him as friend and buddy have definitely been an honor and blessing to me; there is no doubt that his light and warmth will be missed. Thank you Sharon for sharing your gift with us and may the peace of God that surpasses all understanding be with you during this very delicate time.*

Nathaniel & Alecia Prather

Nathaniel - July 09, 2020 at 09:56 PM

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& Son

“ 40 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home - July 08, 2020 at 05:18 PM