



Dennis Martin LaBorde

May 1, 1950 - November 23, 2023

Dennis Martin LaBorde (1950-2023)

Just before midnight on Thanksgiving, his favorite holiday, Dennis LaBorde passed away from injuries sustained from a motorcycle accident. As his cause of death at 73 years old suggests, Dennis lived life full throttle. He was an avid fisherman, motorcycle enthusiast and European adventurer.

Dennis was born in New Orleans in 1950 to Pearlie Marie (St. Romain) Laborde and Purdie Martin Laborde. He was raised in Metairie in a home built by his father and spent his childhood summers in Marksville, LA, with his French-speaking grandparents. He graduated from Rummel High School before earning a bachelor's degree from the University of New Orleans and a Juris Doctor degree from Loyola Law School.

Beginning in 1986, he practiced law at the firm Baldwin & Haspel (which later became Baldwin Haspel Burke & Mayer), where he was named partner in 1993 and retired in 2019. Dennis was also a proud entrepreneur who owned two Eagle Rider locations that rented Harley Davidson motorcycles in New Orleans and Atlanta; a gaming business; and several commercial real estate endeavors.

Though he worked downtown in New Orleans for decades, Dennis spent the

past 30 years living on the bayou in Barataria, where he loved waking up to the reflection of the water dancing on his ceiling. He was dedicated to the local community, adored his Barataria neighbors and found fishing on his boat in local waters a personal paradise.

Dennis split time between his home on the bayou and his cabin in North Carolina, where he loved hosting friends and family. He'd ride motorcycles on world famous passages through the Smoky Mountains, plan tours to spectacular vistas and beautiful trails, take guests for rides in his ski boat on mountain lakes and gather everyone around bon fires at night.

When Dennis was not in Barataria or the Smoky Mountains, he could be found in Europe with his beloved French friends. He rode motorcycles all over the European countryside and beyond—through France, Austria, Italy, Spain and Morocco. Dennis had a deep appreciation for French wine and the finest food in Europe, but what drew him overseas year after year was the friendship of his beloved fellow adventurers, a close group of French men and women who cherished his big, American laugh and knew him best as “Le Pirate.”

Dennis was preceded in death by his parents as well as his brother Stacey, sisters Judy and Sharen and son Marty. He is survived by his dear friend and ex-wife Ann Woodward (m. 1969-2001); their three children, Yvette Hightower (Jared), Meg LaBorde Kuehn (Douglas) and Stacey Paul LaBorde (Robin); five grandchildren, Claire Hightower, Marty Hightower, Dougie Kuehn, Collin “Disco” Kuehn and Anderson LaBorde; his baby sister, Andrea Turner (Cary); his best friend and little brother, Kirk Laborde (Mary); as well as many nieces, nephews, friends and other beloved relatives.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend a Memorial Service on Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 11:00 AM at L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home, 2607 Williams Blvd, Kenner, LA 70062. Visitation will begin at 10:00 AM. In lieu of

flowers, kindly consider a donation to the Wounded Warrior Project, an organization Dennis passionately supported.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home
2607 Williams Blvd
Kenner, LA 70062
(504) 466-8577
info@muhleisen.com

Words of Remembrance

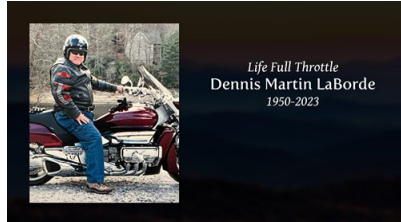
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Tribute Wall



“ L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dennis Martin LaBorde



L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home - November 30, 2023 at 09:59 AM

PM

I just found out last night about the loss of Dennis. I have been trying to contact him for a month. This is a beautiful video, and my condolences to all the friends and family. Pam McMonigle

Pam McMonigle - December 29, 2023 at 04:21 AM

PB

“ Pat & Bobby purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Dennis Martin LaBorde.



Pat & Bobby - December 06, 2023 at 01:19 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Dennis Martin LaBorde.



December 01, 2023 at 03:04 PM

KL

“ *To the Laborde family :So sorry for your loss all my prayers with the family*

Kathy Laborde - November 30, 2023 at 05:43 PM

EG

“ *For my brother from another continent, another culture, thank you!
We will miss you terribly...
Brothers in Arms - Dire Straits
Eric aka Le Mauvais Garçon*



Eric - Mauvais Garçon - November 30, 2023 at 02:55 PM

DO

“ *I will treasure forever our meeting, our moments together! Our first meeting, our rides in New Orleans or in France, but especially our first motorcycle ride in the bayou! For all this, thank you Dennis. You'll always be in my heart and in my memories 🙏
Dorian, Your French friend forever!*



Dorian - November 30, 2023 at 02:44 PM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dennis Martin LaBorde.

November 30, 2023 at 10:13 AM



“ Dennis always captured the true essence of living life to the fullest. A truly southern gentleman who loved and cared for his family. 🙏
I know he is looking down , smiling and saying “ hey guys, you should see the size of the fish I’m catching “

Randy L’Hoste - November 30, 2023 at 10:09 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dennis Martin LaBorde.

November 30, 2023 at 07:17 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dennis Martin LaBorde.



November 30, 2023 at 07:06 AM



“ To my Bear Creek neighbor and good friend you will be missed. I was looking forward to eating that steak with you. RIP brother.
Mark & Marlene

mark norrell - November 29, 2023 at 08:03 PM

EF

“ Edward Weidner & Family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Dennis Martin LaBorde.



Edward Weidner & Family - November 29, 2023 at 10:51 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dennis Martin LaBorde.



November 28, 2023 at 10:06 AM

BC

“ BCA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Martin LaBorde.

BCA - November 28, 2023 at 10:06 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dennis Martin LaBorde.



November 28, 2023 at 02:28 AM

WG

“ My deepest sympathy to the Laborde family. I have been a friend and neighbor to Dennis for 20+ years and will truly miss him. We have spent many days on the Water fishing and quite a few just piddling around working on our boars or anything else that needed repair. We also had the pleasure every now and then to just sit back and enjoy a few drinks and conversation. Dennis was always ready to have a good time or assist others, truly a great friend.
William Gegenheimer “Willbilly”

William Gegenheimer - November 27, 2023 at 07:21 PM

PJ

“ We were shocked and saddened to hear of our neighbor and friend's passing. Bear Creek Junction will never be the same. RIP Dennis.
The Campalongs

Peggy & Joe - November 27, 2023 at 07:59 AM

JB

“ We will definitely miss Dennis here in Bear Creek. Dennis was always gracious, funny and knew how to command a room. Loved all his stories and the fun times we all shared on each other's porches. God bless my friend. Judi Bryan

Judi Bryan - November 26, 2023 at 08:55 PM

JH

“ Many of us who live in Bear Creek Junction, NC will really miss Dennis.

He always had a story to tell and especially loved talking about his many adventures to France with his buddies.

A true friend who loved life and enjoyed the outdoors.

RIP my friend.

Jim Humphrey

james humphrey - November 26, 2023 at 07:47 PM

SG

“ Stacey "Sip" Guidry lit a candle in memory of Dennis Martin LaBorde



Stacey "Sip" Guidry - November 26, 2023 at 05:11 PM

SG

“ Dennis was my partner. He lived life on his terms. He died on his terms. Life with him was always an adventure. Thank you, love, for everything. Rest in peace.

Stacey "Sip" Guidry - November 26, 2023 at 05:09 PM

BL

“Dennis was my God Child. He was the first and only baby I actually held for tat great Blessing. He had a big generous heart. He could do just about everything or knew who could. He loved his Son and Daughters and all the grandchildren of whom he was so proud. Rest well my sugar as you take your final ride. My prayers are with his family that they may remember all the good times with their Dad and Grandfather.



Barbara Langlois - November 26, 2023 at 03:29 PM

BA

Dennis was, Andres, Kirk and Stacey were like my bonus cousins.

my daddy and Dennis' Daddy, "Mr. Purdie" were best friends in their childhood days in Markesville. We lived with n Georgia and the Laborde family lived in Meterie. Every visit we made to Louisiana included a visit to the Labordes.

I'm shocked and saddened by Dennis' passing. May he rest in eternal peace.

I'm praying for all the family.

Beverly Bonnette Andersen & Lyle Christian Andersen
Gainesville, GA

Beverly Bonnette Andersen - November 28, 2023 at 01:58 AM

BL

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Barbara Langlois - November 26, 2023 at 03:08 PM