

## Edward James 'Eddie' Sanchez, Sr.

October 3, 1945 - April 8, 2020

Edward James 'Eddie' Sanchez, Sr. passed away at Ochsner Medical Center Kenner on Wednesday, April 8, 2020. He was 74, native of New Orleans, LA and a resident of Metairie for the past 55 years.

Eddie graduated from Warren Easton High School, class of 1963. He retired from Entergy Louisiana in 2006 after 40 years of service.

Eddie met Sue, his beloved wife of 55 years and high school sweetheart when he was sixteen. She was always the love of his life and when he talked about her, his voice would become lighter in tone as a twinkle would light up his eyes. He was an avid rosarian, widely known for his expertise in caring for and cultivating roses and giving generously of his time by assisting others in learning to grow healthier and more vibrant roses. He was an active member of The New Orleans Old Garden Rose Society and the American Rose Society. Eddie was an outdoors man and loved fishing, crabbing, and shrimping and anything else that kept him close to Lake Pontchartrain. Eddie really loved music, especially the oldies from the 50's and 60's. He also loved to dance, with Sue of course, and in fact their first date was at a dance at the Municipal Auditorium in New Orleans.

Beloved husband of Sue Bourgeois Sanchez. Father of Edward James Sanchez, Jr. (Charlotte) and Steven Israel Sanchez (Rebecca). Loving grandfather of Charles Edward Sanchez and Noah Israel Sanchez and Luke Israel Sanchez and Lauren Madeline Sanchez. Son of the late June Nathalie Volz Sanchez and Rene Joseph Sanchez. Brother of Rene Francis Sanchez

and the late Ronald George Sanchez. Adored by many nieces and nephews. As a result of present circumstances services are private, but please know that our community of friends are important to us. Please take a minute to share your thoughts, favorite memories or condolences at [www.muhleisen.com](http://www.muhleisen.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Edward James 'Eddie' Sanchez, Sr.*

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM



“ *Billy and I are so sad for the loss of our kind and loving friend, Eddie. His wonderful smile and cheerful way will be missed by us forever. Thanks for the memories.....*

*Deanna and Billy*



**Deanna Bongard** - May 02, 2020 at 12:44 AM



“ *Joe And Beth Collura sent a virtual gift in memory of Edward James 'Eddie' Sanchez, Sr.*



**Joe and Beth Collura** - April 22, 2020 at 12:27 AM

TM

“ We were so sorry to hear of Eddie's passing. He was such a nice and gentle man. We will miss him gliding across the floor at The Max. Our prayers go out to you and your family.

*Star and Tommy Morris*

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**Tommy Morris** - April 19, 2020 at 11:23 PM

CA

*Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Ed and Sue. Ed was a kind and gentle man and an excellent dancer. We will miss seeing him at the Max. RIP, Dear Friend. You will be missed by many. Konni & Dale Cooney*

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**Constance Albert-Cooney** - April 21, 2020 at 11:26 PM

DJ

“ *DIANE C JOHNSON lit a candle in memory of Edward James 'Eddie' Sanchez, Sr.*



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**DIANE C JOHNSON** - April 18, 2020 at 01:41 AM

LR

“ *I was shocked to hear of Eddie's passing. I met him years ago through my future father in law Oscar Meyer. He was a great person and always fun to be around. I also would see him in the McDonald's on Severn getting his morning coffee. You and your family are in my prayers.*

*Lou Reynolds*

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**lou reynolds** - April 17, 2020 at 09:29 PM

DV

“ So sorry to hear of Eddie’s passing. We enjoyed “dancing” with you at the Max. He will be missed. Debbie & Victor



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**Debbie & Victor** - April 14, 2020 at 01:24 PM

JC

“ Our hearts break at the news of Eddie's passing. We loved watching you two dance together & could see the love between you. So thankful for getting to know both of you. Joe & I will truly miss him.

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**Joe & Christine** - April 14, 2020 at 07:18 AM

JB

“ Gary and I were so sorry to hear of Eddie’s passing. Gary said Eddie was really a nice guy to work with and we both enjoyed getting to see you at company functions. You two made such a cute couple and the happiness showed in your smiles. How blessed you and Eddie were to have had so many happy years together. We will keep you and the boys in our hearts and prayers, God bless you all! Love from ~ Judy & Gary Berteau

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**Judy Harrell Berteau & Gary Berteau** - April 13, 2020 at 07:45 PM

CS

“ I am so sorry to hear about Eddie's passing and the loss of your lifelong partner. Although I haven't known either of you very long, you both were so gracious to extend your friendship and love of dancing, among other things. Eddie will be sorely missed by all who knew him. God has called Eddie to him this Easter season to share in being born of eternal life. If I can do anything for you as a friend, please let me know. I will keep him and you in my prayers. Cheri Santora

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**Cheri Santora** - April 12, 2020 at 04:03 PM

PT

“ Words can't describe how sad I am at the loss of Eddie. He is proof that God is loving, because he allowed us to get to know your kind, thoughtful, and fun ways. You were always willing to share your joyful attitude about living and to help us make our lives better. I look forward to more fun time with Sue gathering roses, sewing a new lace creation or enjoying a good restaurant. My heart is broken, but God will help us move forward by remembering how lucky we are to have been a friend of Eddie's.



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**Pam Traylor** - April 12, 2020 at 03:54 PM

JS

*Sue, Eddie, Jr., and Steven,  
I was truly sad to read in today's paper about the loss of your beloved husband and father. He was an incredible man, and I had total respect for him.*

*I fondly remember the first time I met him when I was speaking to the family concerning Eddie's attending Holy Cross. He was so concerned about making the right decision. Few fathers embraced his family like Eddie.*

*I will never forget the he first time that we had an admissions party at the Sanchez home and he showed me his rose garden; he exhibited such well-deserved pride in those roses!!*

*Sue, Eddie, Steven—you were so blessed to have shared so many great years with him. I was honored to know such a genuine Christian gentleman.*

*Be assured of my thoughts and prayers; and remember, for those who believe in Jesus Christ there is NO final farewell!!!*

*John Serio  
504-909-4547*

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**John Serio** - April 12, 2020 at 09:22 PM

LC

“ *Louis and Judy Capaci  
Words cannot express the loss and grief that we feel over Eddie's passing. Our prayers for Eddie and for you fill our hearts this Easter and every Easter that follows.*

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**Louis and Judy Capaci** - April 12, 2020 at 01:45 PM

FC

“ *I've only known EDDIE for 4 years but I know him well enough to know that he was a good man and he will be missed dearly by all that knew him. Condolences and prayers to EDDIE, Sue and the entire family. We love you both.*

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**Frank & Diana Corona** - April 12, 2020 at 09:41 AM

HJ

“ Sue I am so sorry to hear of Eddie's passing. I know he will be greatly missed.

Henry Ferrer Jr - April 12, 2020 at 09:28 AM

AA

“ Al Arthur lit a candle in memory of Edward James 'Eddie' Sanchez, Sr.



Al Arthur - April 12, 2020 at 09:26 AM

AA

So sorry to hear this

Al Arthur - April 12, 2020 at 09:27 AM

CM

“ Eddie and Sue are true friends and i have enjoyed their company and my Rose activities over the last 35 years. Eddie will be truly missed by his family and friends.  
Rest in peace and enjoy your eternal rose garden.  
Carl Moore

Carl Moore - April 12, 2020 at 08:12 AM

GM

“ I worked with Eddie in the late 70's. He was always willing to lend a hand whenever you asked. As I remember he had a unique laugh. Many good memories of working with him. Old My deepest condolences to Sue and and family.  
RIP Old Friend 🙏🙏🙏

Gordon Miano - April 11, 2020 at 07:38 PM

MR

“ Met him and Sue crabbing at the lakefront and later worked with him at Entergy. Always admired him and so sorry for your loss Sue and family.

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**Michael Roberts** - April 11, 2020 at 01:29 PM

SF

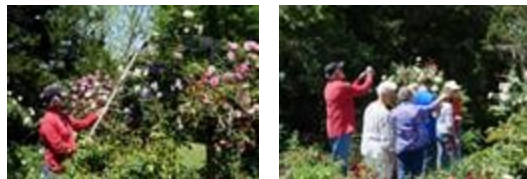
“ I am so very sorry for the loss of Ed from this world. He and Sue had a love that would fill the air whenever they were around. It always gave me so much joy to see! I loved hearing stories about his roses! To Mrs Sue and the rest of the Sanchez family, I send you my deepest condolences. The world was definitely a better place with Mr Ed and he will be deeply missed by so many.

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**Sheila Frahm** - April 11, 2020 at 12:34 PM

 Billie Flynn

“ Will always remember Eddie's happy smile, gentle hugs and eagerness to share rose stories. Will think of Eddie every time I use my long handled rose pruners which he introduced to me. Eddie and Sue are a cherished part of my rose friend family.



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**Billie Flynn** - April 11, 2020 at 12:08 PM

AO

“ *I valued my friendship with Eddie and always enjoyed visiting with him and Sue at our rose events. A wonderful gentlemen gone too soon. Thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*



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**Allen Owings** - April 11, 2020 at 10:50 AM

LG

“ *Eddie and Sue are two of the most wonderful people we have had the pleasure to know. Eddie was a kind and gentle man and so fun to be around or meet at a fair or show. We will always appreciate our friendship. How wonderful this world would be with more Eddie Sanchez's; as beautiful as one of his roses! God Bless.*

*Larry and Trudy Goodwin*

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**larry & Trudy Goodwin** - April 11, 2020 at 10:09 AM

TM

“ *Tina B Micheu lit a candle in memory of Edward James 'Eddie' Sanchez, Sr.*



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**Tina B Micheu** - April 11, 2020 at 08:50 AM

DW

“ Eddie you were the kindest gentlest man! As Sue always said “Everyone loves Eddie”! How could you not? I treasure the memories of the times we spent together-I learned so much about roses from you. Everywhere I look in my garden is a memory of you. You are truly missed dear dear friend and know that we will always be there for your beloved Sue. RIP Eddie, RIP.

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**diane wilensky** - April 11, 2020 at 12:43 AM

RL


“ Rita Landry lit a candle in memory of Edward James 'Eddie' Sanchez, Sr.



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**Rita Landry** - April 10, 2020 at 11:15 PM

RL

“ How do I begin to tell you what an impact you and your dear wife have made on my life and our friends at the Max. You and Sue welcomed us with open arms and made us a part of a larger family . Eddie, such a kind hearted man. You had patience with me when attempting to teach me the Cha Cha  another memory that will stay with me . Thank you to Sue for encouraging you to teach me . On a day that was near and dear to my heart you and Sue stopped at a red light and gave me roses at midnight . I enjoyed watching your excitement when sharing a Saints game with you and Sue. I knew I wanted to hand down to you some of my dear husbands Saints things because I knew they were going to a true Saints fan. The last time I saw you in your door way will stay with me . I could see how sick you were and it broke my heart . That day you and Sue left me more or your beautiful roses . Every time I see a rose I will think of you and your beautiful garden . I know heaven will have a beautiful garden if roses with you there to care for them. We will miss you terribly and it won't be the same without you. Please know that your sweet Sue will forever be in our care and we will try to be a shoulder for her to lean on and wipe her tears when she needs us . We will be waiting for our signs because we know you will be with us . Sue, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family . This just isn't fair. Love, Rita Landry

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Rita Landry - April 10, 2020 at 09:56 PM

SD

“ Eddie may your soul rest in heaven. You will never be forgotten. We will treasure all the memories and knowledge you gave us for our roses. Our rose garden is now in memory of you. It is so special to us. For every bloom puts a smile on our face because We know it's your beautiful gift. We will miss you immensely. We will take care of Sue, to ease her heart from the hurt of losing you. But our Lord has called you home. His plans for you are greater than we will ever know. We know in OUR hearts you are not far away; you will always be around us.



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**stephanie and Lou DeCastro** - April 10, 2020 at 09:46 PM

MK

“ I will always think of Eddie when I see the roses bloom. He was kind, gentle and caring. He tried to help me learn where to cut them, how to feed them and what to do to have everyone admire my garden.  
Here is one for you, my friend. Rest In Peace.



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**maureen kelley** - April 10, 2020 at 09:38 PM

DS

“ So sorry to hear this . We had great times back at Delta Playground.  
Eddie was truly a stand up guy.

GOD BLESS 🙏🙏🙏

*Don & Cathy Schwab*

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**Don Schwab** - April 10, 2020 at 09:36 PM

KT

“ Mr. Suburban,

*You will be missed by us and all who knew  
you. Rest in peace knowing we all will be  
caring for  
Mrs. Suburban.*



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**Kathleen and Richard Todd** - April 10, 2020 at 05:17 PM

RB

“ I remember meeting up with Eddie and Sue at their home. I was  
writing a story about roses and knew he was the person to speak to  
about them.

*I was stunned by both Eddie and Sue's gracious hospitality and  
their ability to help me understand things like compost tea! Their  
generosity of time and knowledge knew no bounds.*

*Much love to Sue and his family - Stephanie Bruno*

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**R. S Bruno** - April 10, 2020 at 02:04 PM



“ *Heaven has gained a beautiful angel. I will miss you my friend. Sue, you know we are here for you when you are ready. Prayers for Sue and family. ~Tina Miche*



Tina B Micheu - April 10, 2020 at 12:02 PM



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L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home - April 10, 2020 at 10:45 AM