



James "Tic" Laws Jr.

September 14, 1951 - May 14, 2025

James "Tic" Laws Jr., of Destrehan, LA passed away peacefully on May 14, 2025, at the age of 73. Born to James Boyd Laws Sr. & Merle (Pennington) Laws on September 14, 1951, in Bastrop, Louisiana, Tic was a man whose life was marked by kindness and thoughtfulness.

Tic graduated from Destrehan High School, where he lettered in football, basketball, and track. His commitment to service was evident through his honorable tenure in the United States Air Force.

Following his military service, Tic had a fulfilling career with Delta Airlines and Heavenly. His love for the New Orleans Saints led him to work security at the SuperDome. He was very dedicated to his jobs and had a strong work ethic.

He was a devoted husband to his wife, Diana Laws, and a loving brother to Roger Smith. His family was his pride and joy, including his nephew, Frank Smith, nieces; Stephanie DuBois and Susie Bourgeois, his cousin, Patti DuBois, and granddaughter, Kambria Wistsell. He is also survived by his lifelong friends; Wayne Vasseur, Chris Cristina, Martha Taylor, and Jan McGowan. Tic was preceded in death by his parents, Stephanie "Steevi", his brother, Ronnie Smith, and his dear friend, Tony Damiano.

An avid lover of Lake Tahoe, California, Tic found peace and solace in its

beauty. His German Shepherds, Gretchen and Abby, were a source of unconditional love and companionship.

A celebration of life for Tic will be held on Saturday, May 17 starting at 2:00 PM at Uncle Joe's Tavern, 814 N Howard Ave, Metairie, LA 70003. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for all memorial donations to be sent to: American Cancer Society at donate.cancer.org

Arrangements by L. A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home. To share memories or condolences, please visit www.muhleisen.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

Uncle Joe's Tavern
814 N Howard Ave
Metairie, LA 70003

Tribute Wall

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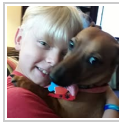
“ My sincere condolences to Tic’s family. I knew him in high school, but lost touch with him after graduation. He was always a nice guy, funny and easy to get along with. I learned where he had been and all that he had accomplished thanks to Facebook several years ago. From reading previous comments it sounds like he had a wonderful life and many good friends through the years. It sounds like a life well-lived. I’m so sorry for your loss.

Susan Dugas Lagarde - May 19, 2025 at 08:04 AM

BC

“ My condolences to all of JB’s family and friends. I knew him through Marty Collazo, a co-worker of his in the Delta family. He was such a cool and fun guy! He will be greatly missed. Prayers for the family.

Bonnie Clauss-Collazo - May 17, 2025 at 10:43 PM



I have wonderful memories with Tc at DFW. HE WAS A SWEET, hilarious guy! We always laughed and even though work could be stressf, we had fun. I WILL ALWAYS SMILE when remembering my friens Tic. Sending my 🙏 and my love to Diana.

Evi Valera - May 20, 2025 at 11:47 AM

DP

“ My condolences to the family and friends. I met Tic at Altus AFB, OK. We both worked the flight line on the C-141 Starlifters. Too many crazy and wonderful times to express here. We connected back up on FB just recently since 1972. He was an honorable man.

David Piirtola - May 17, 2025 at 08:26 PM

MT

“ Gonna miss you Ticster. Gonna miss not understanding what the hell you just said - that louisiana speak ya know. Lol. Fast and funny. Lotta love for you my friend. RIP. Free Bird.

martha taylor - May 17, 2025 at 11:56 AM

BR

“ I met Tic the first day he started working at Delta Airlines. Not a good meeting I accidentally Backed into his brand new Cutlass in the parking lot. In fact our last visit was Sunday at the hospital and he said his lawyer would be in touch. We worked together, played ball together and did life together. RIP my Brother !!

Billy Robbins - May 17, 2025 at 07:29 AM

MT

Now that is a typical Tic story - full circle. Loved it! Made me laugh and cry.

martga taylor - May 17, 2025 at 11:45 AM

EP

“ I will miss being called Fast Eddie by my southern friend,RIP buddy

Eddie Power - May 17, 2025 at 06:51 AM

SW

“ I struggle with the words. This is so hard. I first met Tic constantly showing up at his house as a 16 year old teenager being best friends with Steevi. I quickly learned he could put me in my place, make me laugh, be real and honest and give the best hugs. As I got older after she died we had conversations about the past. I took my daughter out to Tahoe to know her other grandparents and a whole new bond was formed. That was unbreakable. He and Diana were 2ndd parents to me and kambrias grandparents as well. As things declined last year I didn't know how to feel but felt the gravity and this week broke me, my daughter and my parents. The absolute force of life tic was was palpable when he was in a room. I don't know how to feel or what to do. The world is dimmer without him in it. Loved that man with my whole heart.

Sonya Witsell - May 16, 2025 at 11:16 PM

MT

I'm feeling your pain Sonya. He loved yall.

martha taylor - May 17, 2025 at 11:49 AM

DC

“ There is so much to say about, Tic, I don't know were to start. I first met Tic at Delta in DFW in counter control right after to merger with Western, The first page I made I said Western Air Line paging “who ever”. Tic started laughing in his best laugh and said “you are a little behind time girl”. I'll never forget him. I have loved him ever since. I love his wife and soulmate Diana.

Derlie Craver - May 16, 2025 at 03:49 PM

RM

I worked with Tic at Delta Air Lines in New Orleans and he was one of my all time favorite co workers. He was always ready to work hard to get the job done for our customers, but did it all with such a fun attitude that he really made the shifts enjoyable. He was always consistent in his attitude and was a great friend as well. Tic, my brother, I sorely miss you already. Rest in peace buddy.....Russell Maurer

Russell J Maurer - May 16, 2025 at 05:28 PM

AJ

This news breaks my heart. Tic was such a kind man who treated everyone with utmost respect. I met Tic when I transferred from MEM to DFW with Delta Airlines and we have been friends since. His friendship and great sense of humor has always been uplifting to all of us. It was such a honor call him brother. We were Facebook friends and he would post or reply to several of my post and he always greeted me on FB with these word, "Hey Brother." Our prayers are with his sweet and lovely wife Diana whom I had the wonderful pleasure to work with. Tic will be missed. ❤️🙏

Andrew Jackson - May 17, 2025 at 09:13 AM