



## John "Barry" Drufner, Sr.

October 29, 1929 - November 23, 2010

John "Barry" Drufner Sr. passed away on Tuesday, November 23, 2010 in Slidell, LA. Husband and best friend of Irene McNamara Drufner for over 55 years. Father of Michael and Douglas Drufner of Metairie, LA and John Barry Drufner Jr. of Walker, LA. Father-in-law of Laurie Granberry, Jean Turner and Gladys Laughlin Drufner. Grandfather of Marlena Drufner. Brother of Norma Standige. Son of the late Capt. Baltassar W. Drufner and Elvire Rolland Drufner. Also survived by a host of cousins, nephews and nieces. Age 81, a native of New Orleans and a resident of Lacombe for the past 18 years. He was a Merchant Marine veteran of WW II and a U.S. Navy veteran of the Korean War from 1945 until 1952.

Barry owned and operated the Spudnut Shop and Barry's Restaurant and Caterers on Washington Ave from 1955 until 1978 with his wife, mother and family. Barry sold the business and returned to his first love, the sea in 1978. Started working as an ordinary seaman on ocean going deep draft vessels and retired as 2nd officer in 1994. He held a Masters License 1600 Tons and a 2nd Mates License any gross tonnage, any waters. Barry was an avid aerobatic pilot. He held a single engine land pilots license.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Funeral Services at L. A. Muhleisen and Son Funeral Home, 2607 Williams Blvd., Kenner on Friday, November 26, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. Visitation on Friday from 9:00 a.m. until time of service. Interment in Lake Lawn Park Mausoleum.

In lieu of flowers, the family would prefer donations to the St. Jude Children's

Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105. (800)-805-5856 [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org).

My greatest accomplishments in my life, finding Irene, my wife, my best friend, my co-worker in everything. My three sons, all have reached a point beyond my greatest expectations.

# Cemetery Details

## Lake Lawn Park Cemetery

5100 Ponchartrain Blvd.  
New Orleans, LA 70124

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 26. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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2607 Williams Blvd  
Kenner, LA 70062  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ John "Barry" Drufner, Sr.

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM



“ Debbie Ashe lit a candle in memory of John "Barry" Drufner, Sr.



Debbie Ashe - November 30, 2010 at 08:08 AM



“ I offer our prayers and condolences.

Willie Jones - November 30, 2010 at 07:56 AM



“ Our deepest condolences to you and your family Doug. Although I never met your Dad he touched me and my family in early April after my Dad's death. We were so surprised to have a phone call a couple of weeks after Dad's funeral to tell us we had a letter addressed to the Family. It was a letter your Dad saved from my Dad after my Dad retired from the Navy. This act of kindness to us is truly the reflection of the man your Dad was.

David Melissa Toups - November 30, 2010 at 07:48 AM



“ Great memories of my time spent in New Orleans and Barry played a BIG part of them

Alberta Aaron Kevrick - November 27, 2010 at 07:14 AM

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“ *Cindy and Dick have Barry and his family in their paryers.*

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**Cindy Teissier** - November 26, 2010 at 12:03 PM

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“ *On behalf of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart Alumni Association and Brother Martin High School, I offer our prayers and condolences.*

*Kenny Spellman '84  
Alumni Director*

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**Kenny Spellman** - November 26, 2010 at 11:33 AM

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“ *Our prayers are with you in your time of loss.  
Elinor, Steve & Pam Early and family*

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**Elinor, Steve & Pam Early** - November 26, 2010 at 10:45 AM

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“ *I had never met Mr. Drufner, Sr., however I must assume that he passed on his soft, kind respect of others to his sons, as I see these traits his son, Doug withwhom I have worked with for many years. My family and I send our condolences to Doug and the entire Drufner family.*

*Claytona and Aleta Lester*

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**Clayton Lester** - November 26, 2010 at 10:11 AM

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“ *Billy Lisa Wilson lit a candle in memory of John "Barry" Drufner, Sr.*



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**Billy Lisa Wilson** - November 25, 2010 at 09:54 AM