



Maurice Soniat

September 29, 1937 - April 2, 2024

Maurice Soniat passed away on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at the age of 86. He was born in New Orleans, LA was a resident of Miami, FL for many years and returned home to live near his daughter in Metairie, LA.

Beloved father of Katherine Ingram. Loving grandfather of David Trahan, Jr. (Courtney). Great grandfather of 2 grandsons and great great grandfather of 1 granddaughter. Son of the late Mignonne Dermeyer Soniat and Maurice Soniat. Brother of Perry Soniat, Sr. (Sonya). Also survived by several loving nephews and their families.

Maurice had a very adventurous journey through his lifetime. He spent his life learning and teaching. He touched many lives whether it was as a substance abuse counselor, a dance instructor, or teaching others to play chess. He thoroughly enjoyed not only teaching chess but was an avid chess player himself. Maurice had a wit about him that would always put a smile on someone's face. He was a very peaceful and kind man who was a friend to everyone who knew him.

Special thanks to all of his wonderful friends for their loving support throughout his illness.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Celebration of Maurice's Life on Saturday, April 20, 2024 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Whitney Place Condominiums, Recreation Room, 2700 Whitney Place, Metairie, LA 70002. Arrangements by L. A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home. To share memories or condolences, please visit www.muhleisen.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **20**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Whitney Place Condominiums, Recreation Room
2700 Whitney Pl.
Metairie, LA 70002

Tribute Wall

MB

“ *Dear Maurise
Please know that I love you, and I miss you.
Not sure what year it was 1976, 1977 and I walked in the doors of
operation reentry and you were the first person I saw.
I don't remember having any conversations with you, but I did
remember something special about you.
When I was mid 30's I was blessed with meeting my late husband
Bob and one of my missions was to find you.
And after years I found you and we went done and spent some time
with you.
We had lots of phone conversations and each time you were happy
to hear from me, you always put a smile on my face and I felt loved.
Love you,
Mary anne.*

Mary anne beans - May 09, 2024 at 03:11 PM

KI

*Dear Mary Anne, Thank you for sharing these heartfelt memories. I
know that you were very special to him too.
Sincerely, Kathy*

Kathy Ingram - May 19, 2024 at 01:09 PM

NL

*Dear Kathy, I just saw this and wanted to express my late
Condolences, Maurice is one of my young teenage years memories!
He was a great guy and fantastic dancer and I met Perry and Maurice
at a Beauregard School Dance on Canal Street in the 50's, but lost
contact I'm sorry to admit but happy he found happiness and a good
life 😊🙏*

Norma Falco LaCava - October 20, 2025 at 01:21 PM

JB

“ John and Sheila Gerdine, Betsy Blackerby planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maurice Soniat.

John and Sheila Gerdine, Betsy Blackerby - April 23, 2024 at 07:28 PM

JB

“ John and Sheila Gerdine, Betsy Blackerby purchased the Sympathy Gift Vintage Wind Chime - "I Have You In My Heart" for the family of Maurice Soniat.



John and Sheila Gerdine, Betsy Blackerby - April 23, 2024 at 07:28 PM

SG

“ When I meet him I knew where Kathy, his daughter got her beauty and that smile that lights up a room. What a devoted and caring father he was. A very special man that kept his word and always aimed to do what was right.



Sheila and John Gerdine - April 23, 2024 at 07:13 PM

KB

“ I'm so saddened to hear about this. He was so sweet, very nice, and so supportive of you. We loved having him at our flash mob rehearsals. Love you! 😊

Kenneth Bryan - April 23, 2024 at 01:58 PM

LS

“ Love, Giles and Shanelle purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Maurice Soniat.



Love, Giles and Shanelle - April 17, 2024 at 03:04 PM

GD

“ Gary & David planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maurice Soniat.

Gary & David - April 17, 2024 at 09:06 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Maurice Soniat.



April 17, 2024 at 09:06 AM

SA

“ Although I only met Maurice a few times, from the first time Kathy introduced her dad to my family and I, a lasting impression was formed. His sincere smile and the way he talked to people, exuded warmth and passion, not only for people, but for life in general. After that, I always looked forward to meeting him again. Kathy, thank you for giving us the opportunity to meet your amazing dad. Our heartfelt condolences to you and your family.

Sam - April 17, 2024 at 04:51 AM

RS

*Maurice was One in a Million special beloved Husband to me for about 10 years... We married in 1970 and had a beautiful candlelight wedding in the French Quarter...We were very much in love until I ,, sadly, Rita Leone Soniat suggested a trial separation at that time.....something I regretted for years... I never ever found a more loving partner as I had in Beautiful Maurice Soniat... He was the Love of My Life and will be missed by many for his calm ways! ❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️
😘😘😘 Love Him!*

Rita Leone Soniat - April 26, 2024 at 11:15 AM

FF

“ From Sam and family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maurice Soniat.

From Sam and family. - April 17, 2024 at 04:46 AM

FF

“ From Sam and family. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Maurice Soniat.



From Sam and family. - April 17, 2024 at 04:46 AM

VB

“ I am so very sorry for your loss Kathy, David, Courtney and the kids. He was so proud of you all. I met Maurice years ago after hearing about him for so long. I finally got to meet him. He was kind, gentle and extremely knowledgeable person. Soft spoken , great sense of humor and a very patient man. He was a joy to be around. He will be missed. I'll of course be happy for him, for I know Maurice is in Heaven.

Vernon

Vernon Bourgeois - April 16, 2024 at 03:11 PM

NH

“ Norman H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maurice Soniat.

Norman H. - April 16, 2024 at 01:57 PM

NH

“ Norman H. purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Maurice Soniat.



Norman H. - April 16, 2024 at 01:57 PM