



## Raleigh L. Bourg, Sr.

January 21, 1936 - July 15, 2021

Raleigh L. Bourg, Sr. was born on January 21, 1936 in Lockport Louisiana, the second of six born to Emily and Sidney Bourg Sr. As a child, Raleigh showed his propensity as a sportsman. He often borrowed his grandfather's dugout pirogue to go fishing and hunting. As a teenager, his passion for football grew. Many gave unsolicited testimony to the toughness that Raleigh exhibited on field and off. Raleigh went to business college at Southwestern University where he played football, booray, and roughnecked. Raleigh served his county in the 56th Artillery Group. After an honorable discharge, Raleigh worked for his father Sidney as a successful salesman. An entrepreneur, Raleigh went on to start businesses such as Bourg Boat Co, which operated 25 push-boats and over 100 tank barges. In Raleigh's career, through ups and downs, he was blessed with the good fortune of working with his friends. In June of 1969, Raleigh met Susan Newsome, and in December they were wed. In 19 years together, they were blessed with three healthy children Michelle, Shannon and Raleigh Jr. Raleigh shared his passions with his children and provided for them as well as his extended family. He supported his community through countless acts of individual charity.

Throughout his audacious life, Raleigh worked hard, loved fast, fought to win, played with dirty martinis, traveled well, and loved some more. Raleigh lived his life, his way without compromise until his death at home, surrounded by family on the evening of July 15, 2021. Raleigh was preceded by his Parents and his siblings Sidney Jr., Robert, Charles and Carrie. He is survived by his

children, Michelle, Shannon and Raleigh Jr., grandchildren Andres Montamayer, Addison and Emerson Bourg, godchildren, nieces and nephews, Barrazas, Bartels, Griffins, Toups, Dardars, Parrs, Ayos, and Bingers. At the end, he gave all his love.

In lieu of condolences, please do something wonderful and inspired for yours, as was his way.

I have not left you.

Find me in the wind that shakes the orange tree.

Feel me in the rain that falls.

Hear me in the thunder's roar.

Sense me in laughter of children.

Know I have not left you.

My fights have concluded, my suffrage come to its end.

I live on in the heart of those that love me.

I've become the trout that swims through muddy waters.

I am the mallard that flies north at spring.

I am the buck on his wild path.

I am around your every corner helping to guide you on your way.

Raise your glasses, tell stories of our past.

Rejoice in my transformation, and our memories together.

Know I have not left you.

L. A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

To share memories or condolences, please visit [www.muhleisen.com](http://www.muhleisen.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Raleigh L. Bourg, Sr.*

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“ *I'm sure going to miss those phone calls around here. When his name would appear on the caller id...we would just laugh and wonder how this call was going to go. Prayers for the family.*

*Vee (Veronica)*

*Coastal Marine Contractors, LLC*

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