



## Richard A. Giacontiere Sr.

January 29, 1951 - August 7, 2022

Richard A. Giacontiere, Sr. passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 7, 2022 at the age of 71. He was a native of New Orleans, LA and a resident of River Ridge, LA. Richard was a longtime parishioner of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Kenner. He was devoted to his faith and found peace in saying the Rosary daily. Richard's love of life and his strong will to live helped him to overcome many health obstacles in his lifetime, which inspired everyone who knew him. While he enjoyed taking trips to the mountains, taking walks in the neighborhood, and taking care of his yard, it was being surrounded by his family that brought him the most joy. Richard also proudly served two tours of duty as a Combat Medic Specialist in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He received numerous medals, including 2 Bronze Service stars.

Beloved husband of 48 years to Janet Bowman Giacontiere. Loving father of Jennifer Pittman (Keith), Melissa Gallagher (Dennis), Gretchen Kimball (Richard) and Richard Giacontiere, Jr. Grandfather of Andrew Pittman, Jonathan Pittman, Elizabeth Pittman, Brendan Gallagher, Christopher Gallagher, Brian Gallagher, Hannah Kimball, Matthew Kimball, Hailey Kimball, Lauren Kimball, Caroline Giacontiere and Claire Giacontiere. Also survived by 2 brothers, a sister and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Dorothy Knight Giacontiere and

Benedict Giacontiere and two brothers.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Visitation and Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 500 Minor St., Kenner on Friday, August 12, 2022. Visitation will be held in church from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with the Funeral Mass immediately following at 1:00 p.m.

Arrangements by L. A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home. To share memories or condolences, please visit [www.muhleisen.com](http://www.muhleisen.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard A. Giacontiere Sr.*

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences to Janet, the children and the grandchildren, he was part of our family and we pray that now he can rest in peace in Heaven. In the past we shared some good times with him and his family. We are truly sorry that he is gone, but he has gone to a better place. Love, Russell & Virginia Giacontiere.*

**Virginia Giacontiere** - August 12, 2022 at 08:52 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard A. Giacontiere Sr..*



August 11, 2022 at 03:18 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. We will say a Mass in his memory.

*Father of all, we pray to you for Richard, all those we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May his soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

*Kenny Spellman '84  
Brother Martin High School*

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**Kenny Spellman** - August 11, 2022 at 02:06 PM

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“ Love Vic and Cindy Prudhomme purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Richard A. Giacontiere Sr..



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**Love Vic and Cindy Prudhomme** - August 10, 2022 at 05:16 PM

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“ Donna Gianfala sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard A. Giacontiere Sr.



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**Donna Gianfala** - August 10, 2022 at 10:32 AM

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“ *Donna Gianfala lit a candle in memory of  
Richard A. Giacontiere Sr.*



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**Donna Gianfala** - August 10, 2022 at 10:29 AM

“ Janet and Family,

*I cannot put into words how deeply sorry I am about Richard's passing. I have known Janet for about 18 years, and she and Richard have been great friends of mine. Although we did not get together as often as we should have, my late husband, Joe, and I enjoyed every moment we spent with you. I have no doubt that Richard and Joe are up there having a good time laughing and complaining about "crazy" me and Janet!*

*Richard went through so much difficulty in his life, yet he did so courageously as a man who always trusted completely in his faith in God. He truly loved his family, and was so proud of his four children and grandchildren. My favorite memory of him is when he told me somewhat teary eyed that the most he ever prayed for was to walk his three daughters down the aisle at their weddings, and one by one, he did just that. Janet, you are more like a sister to me, my dearest friend, and I am here for you. Just take it one day at a time. The Good Lord will hold your hand through it all and give you and your wonderful family His comfort, strength and peace. Richard is now in Heaven and what he sees puts beautiful Austria and the mountains to shame for "Eye has not seen, Ear has not heard what God has ready for those who love Him."*

*Giacontiere family, I believe you all know:*

*"Heaven just got sweeter for you*

*The one you loved also loved Jesus too*

*No more suffering nor pain*

*Now he's in that place where all things are new*

*Even though you're hurting like this*

*He knows you know where he is*

*And someday he'll come running when you get there too*

*Heaven just got sweeter for you."*

*May God be ever close the Giacontiere family during this difficult time. Rest in Peace, sweet Richard. You will surely be missed.*

*With my Deepest Heartfelt Sympathy, Endless Prayers and Love,  
Donna*



**Donna Gianfala** - August 10, 2022 at 10:29 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard A. Giacontiere Sr..*



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August 10, 2022 at 10:24 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard A. Giacontiere Sr..*



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August 09, 2022 at 09:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard A. Giacontiere Sr..*



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August 09, 2022 at 05:42 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard A. Giacontiere Sr..*



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August 09, 2022 at 04:09 PM