



Mr. Edwin John Marshall

March 26, 1934 - February 21, 2022

Edwin John Marshall (E.J.), 87, stepped out of his bedroom into the "Throne Room of Grace", on Monday, February 21, 2022, at the home of his eldest daughter, Irene Burnett.

E.J. was born on March 26, 1934 in Baton Rouge, LA. He graduated from McKinley Senior High before joining the Marine Corps. He served until 1958 when he was honorably discharged. E. J. then went on to earn a Bachelor's degree in Education from Grambling State University. He also gained a Master's in Education from Louisiana State University. Education was so important to him that he continued to pursue knowledge receiving additional hours and certificates from Southern University, Loyola University, and various other esteemed academic establishments.

E.J. moved to Lawtell, Louisiana, the hometown of his beloved wife, and started his teaching career. He had a special knack for reaching the young people of the area. E.J. became a pillar of the community where he became affectionately known as "Papa" to so many. E.J. loved riding motorcycles, hunting, fishing, bowling, traveling, and spending time with his family.

He competed in the Senior Olympics, served as Basileus of his local chapter of Omega Psi Phi, Inc, and the president of the Cycle Hawks Motorcycle Club, his bowling league, and the retired teachers' organization. Throughout his life, he received several military awards, gold medals, and titles.

E.J. moved back to his hometown of Baton Rouge in 2016 where he remained until his death.

E.J. leaves to cherish his memory, his devoted wife of 63 years, Lorella LeDee; daughters Irene Burnett (Carl), Mariko Ellis (Richard), and Maureen Little; six grandchildren and five great grandchildren; four sisters and 1 brother; and a host of nieces, nephews, and godchildren.

He was preceded in death by his loving parents, Ed Marshall and Irene Carmena; brothers, Ernest Marshall and Richard Knox; one sister, Inez Scott; and grandson, Adrian Little.

Visiting hours will be observed from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM Friday, February 25, 2022 at Opelousas Civic Center. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM Saturday, February 26, 2022 at Our Saviors Church in Opelousas, LA.

Viewing will begin at 1:30 PM at the church. Interment will be in Holy Family Catholic Church Cemetery in Lawtell, LA.

Words of comfort to the family may be expressed on Edwin Marshall's Facebook Page or at www.williamsfuneralhomes.net.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Williams Funeral Home of Opelousas, 337-942-2037.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Edwin John Marshall*

January 28, 2023 at 08:52 AM



“ *Praying for your loved ones during this time of need. You have our condolences. From Gerald Greene Sr. & Family*



Gerald Greene - March 01, 2022 at 04:45 PM



Hi Aunt Lou Hey this is #@ Valerie LeDee' here to Respect the death of Edwin John Marshall_Unkle EJ, and to Celebrate His LIFE, John and Dorothy Darjean LeDee chose EJ's wife Lourella as my Godmother, i am Orphan since the death of Mother, died @ 27, i Trust My Parents Chose Well "for me", for You_song," i wish U well, The wishing well, The kiss and tell..." i miss You and Love U guys, Like COIR Reveal says," And Remember, There is ALWAYS more to the Story." V

Valerie Marie LeDee' - March 05, 2022 at 09:25 AM



“ *Uncle E. J. I have sweet memories of you. Always kind always funny always caring . I enjoyed my visit with you and Aunt Lou in downtown Fort Worth. You left the world a better place just by being in it. May you Rest In Peace Eartha*

Eartha Pitre - February 27, 2022 at 09:07 AM

D'

“ On behalf of the class of '71 of Lawtell High school we send our sincerest condolences on the loss of our amazing teacher Mr. Marshall! We all have a story to tell and perhaps someday we will be able to share it with the family. As of now please accept our heartfelt sympathy and know that we love Mr. Marshall and for many of us he was a father figure! May he rest in peace!

Dr. Gwyndolan LaVergne Swain, President, Class of 1971



Dr. Gwyndolan LaVergne Swain '71 - February 26, 2022 at 12:18 PM

SG

“ Maureen and family-i wish to express my sympathy for your loss. Mr. Marshall worked for us for a few years at the Office of Juvenile Justice. He had a great rapport with all of the children that we served and was beloved by all staff. May God bless you all. Sharon Guillory

Sharon Guillory - February 26, 2022 at 10:26 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Edwin John Marshall.



February 26, 2022 at 02:34 AM

TP

“ To the family of E.J Marshall my name is rev telesmar pitre from lawtell . Mr Marshall was my teacher my prayers are with the family. May god strength the family each. To be absent from the body and to be present with the lord. Earth have no sorrow that god can't heal

Telesmar pitre - February 25, 2022 at 11:21 PM

JJ

“ My deepest sympathy to the Marshall family. Irene, stay strong and take care.



JOSEPH R.Charles, Jr. - February 25, 2022 at 10:15 PM

PL

“ Will always remember Uncle E.J. for his youthful and spirited attitude. He was also delightful and warm with a love for his family and friends. I will always remember his attempts to comfort my best friend by giving her his Marine service ring. As a teen she grieved for my cousin (also a Marine) who lost his life in Vietnam. This heartfelt gesture speaks volumes of Uncle E.J. 's compassion and empathy.

Phyllis Pitre Lastrapes - February 25, 2022 at 09:54 PM

JF

I will always remember Uncle EJ and Aunt Lorella on their way to Mexico for a vacation, leaving the kids with us in Beaumont! I thought they were the perfect couple! He was a funny guy!!! My heart goes out to my Aunt who I thought had truly found her soulmate!!!

Janice Gallow Fisher - February 26, 2022 at 06:21 PM

RF

“ *Sending Heartfelt Condolences and Prayers to the Family! So sorry for your Family loss! R.I.P Mr. Marshall 🙏🙏*

Rita Pickens & Family - February 25, 2022 at 08:59 PM

AF

“ *Mr. Marshall and I came to this area from Baton Rouge about the same time and when we found out our families in BR lived close together, we often shared stories about our hometown. We often teased each other about our colleges because I went to Southern and he to Grambling. We were good friends. He in Lawtell and I in Eunice but both from BR, I a ZETA, he an Omega, my fraternity brother. To his family I say our family offers prayers for your loss. We pray for comfort and peace as you face the coming days without his presence. Depend on the loving memories that you can share of his beautiful and exciting life. May he Rest In Peace! Love you Lorella!*

Ardessie Francois and Family 🙏🎵💙🙏

Ardessie Vivian Chase Francois - February 25, 2022 at 08:10 PM

EB

“ *May the love of family and friends carry you throughout your grief.*



Ester Bazile - February 25, 2022 at 05:46 PM

CG

“ I remember Mr. Marshall teaching with my mother Mrs. Alice Rene Greene and my uncle Rev. Melvin Greene Jr. Mr. Marshall was a very kind and a friend to many. Whenever I visited my Mom’s school he would always have treats to share. His daughters were in my mom’s class at some point (at least one of them) and I can remember all of us playing together.

I express my condolences to the Marshall Family from the Greene Family of Lafayette, Louisiana.

Praying for your family.

Cheryl Lynn Greene

Cheryl Greene - February 25, 2022 at 04:22 PM

RF

“ Sending prayers to Maureen and her family on the passing of her dad. My thoughts and healing comforter are with all of you.



Rachel Goodwin- Avilla & family - February 25, 2022 at 02:29 PM