



Calvin Thomas Vise

March 6, 1933 - March 31, 2019

Calvin "Muscles" Vise

Calvin Thomas Vise, Age 86, and a resident of Franklinton, passed away in the early morning hours of March 31, 2019, joining his "sweet Rosie" that he missed so since her passing in 2014.

"Muscles" was a welder with Southern Natural Gas for 44 years. He started off his career in Alabama when he was 18, then transferred to Toca in St. Bernard Parish. He transferred again in 1966 to Franklinton.

Calvin grew up about an hour north of Birmingham, Alabama, where he met his sweet Rose. They married when he was 18. They were together for almost 63 years when she passed away in 2014. He missed her every day.

Calvin loved his huge family. One of things he liked best was to hear children running and playing down the hall. He said the whole house came alive with sounds of children playing.

He enjoyed being outside and watching things grow from the time he was just a small boy. He had a vegetable garden every year and was planning the one for this year that his children were going to help him with.

He is survived by:

Three brothers and a sister-in law:

Charlie and Elaine Vise of St Bernard LA, Steve Vise of Birmingham AL and Sam Vise of Lafayette LA

Nine children and their spouses:

Jennifer and John Stites of McMinnville TN, Beth and Russell Keaton of Bogalusa LA, Tommy Vise of Franklinton LA, Steve and Jennelyn Vise of Walker LA, Kenny Vise of Dripping Springs TX, Ginger and Frank Corcoran of Franklinton LA, Kim and Tommy Tynes of Franklinton LA, Jay and Lisa Vise of Metairie LA, Marc and Suellen Vise of Franklinton LA.

Twenty-six grandchildren and spouses:

Will and Katie Rachal, Charlie Rachal, Joe Stites, John and Anuja Stites, Dave and Michelle Stites, Sarah Keaton, Blake and Lindsey Fussell, Chris and Gina Keaton, Adam and Amy Keaton, Tommy and Karen Vise, Lauren and Austin LaSource, Kristen Vise, Neil Vise, Christopher Vise, Nathaniel Vise, Charles Vise, Daniel Vise, Micah and Alex Magee, Casey and Winn Smith, Colleen Corcoran, Ashton Corcoran, Danna and Mike Duet, Tommy Tynes Jr, Rhett Tynes, Elizabeth Vise and Emma Vise

Twenty-three great-grandchildren:

Matthew Rachal, Lenna Rachal, Sophia Keaton, McCauley Keaton, Maddux Fussell, Porter Fussell, Cannon Fussell, Abigail Keaton, Aubrey Keaton, Beau LaSource, Austin Vise, Hannah Vise, JJ Vise, Abigail Vise, Lydia Vise, Walker Magee, Addison Smith, Kobi Duet, Kayelyn Robins, Trevor Vise, Alyssa Robins, Ryleigh Berthelot and Kadence Duet.

Also numerous nieces, nephews and good friends.

Proceeding him in death were his wife Rose Vise, his parents Tom and Burnie Vise, his sister Octavia Vick, his sister-in-law Linda Vise, his brother-in-law Bob Vick, his granddaughter Betsy Rachal and his great-grandson Ryan LaSource.

Visitation is scheduled for Friday, April 5, from 4-8 pm at Crain Funeral Home in Franklinton and continuing on Saturday, April 6, from 9 am until time for the funeral service at 11 am. Rev. Percy Mac Frasier will officiate. Burial will follow in the Vise Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers: Tommy Vise III, Will Rachal, Charlie Rachal, Blake Fussell, Micah Magee, Rhett Tynes and Ashton Corcoran

Honorary Pallbearers: 11 additional Grandsons and his Southern Natural friends.

Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Calvin Thomas Vise.*



April 05, 2019 at 06:58 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Calvin Thomas Vise.*



April 05, 2019 at 06:16 PM



“ *Dennis Sisung & Crew (Formerly HB Buster Hughes) purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Calvin Thomas Vise.*



Dennis Sisung & Crew (Formerly HB Buster Hughes) - April 05, 2019 at 04:06 PM



“ *Rose Romanesque Bouquet was purchased for the family of Calvin Thomas Vise.*



April 05, 2019 at 12:03 PM

DE

“ So sorry for your loss. My thoughts go out to you and your family. I wish you all strength in this time of sorrow.

David C. Eckert - April 05, 2019 at 07:10 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Calvin Thomas Vise.



April 04, 2019 at 10:23 PM

GG

“ Gawin, Wanda, Jordan and Gavin purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Calvin Thomas Vise.



Gawin, Wanda, Jordan and Gavin - April 04, 2019 at 08:50 PM



“Pop was a one of a kind! He was a family man who always put his wife first in all things. He was away working a good bit, but put enough fear in us before he left to allow Mom to handle 9 kids on her own! He transferred with the gas company to St Bernard, La in the late 50's from the hills in North Alabama with 3 kids in tow. He was still in his early twenties, and was awarded the district welder's position in Southern La. He was extremely intelligent and could do or figure out most anything! After a few years working for the gas company there, he was offered a job by an independent offshore equipment company, after he designed a piece of equipment for them on a napkin over lunch. He did not realize it at the time that that piece of equipment's patent would be sold for over 60 million dollars a few years later!! He really wanted the job, but would not risk his company health insurance, and the health care of his kids and wife. He also was a very wise man, and requested a transfer to Franklinton, Louisiana with the company a few years later. No amount of money could have bought what I felt was a dream come true for a little boy when we moved here! There was organized baseball, a community swimming pool, a movie theater, Boy Scouts, RA's at First Baptist, plenty of places to swim and fish and we could ride our bicycles throughout town until 10 at night! Also there was the Washington Parish Fair, the greatest event for kids in the United States!! And being the new 12 year old boy in town, a lot of pretty little girls seemed to take an interest in me 😊. What could be better? Whenever I have run into someone who worked with, or knew of "Muscles"(the nickname given to him by a couple of black men who taught him the proper way to cut right-of-way in Birmingham, the first job he had with the gas company. He was given that name as a joke because he was so thin(130 lbs) but very strong!), the adjectives to describe him were almost always the same: very hard worker, thorough, smart, wise, helpful, honest & fair. He could have climbed the corporate ladder very quickly, but hated the politics of upper management (and he couldn't get overtime & actually would have taken a pay cut 😞) He loved his "Rosie" with everything in him, and nothing came before her. After he retired, they were like two teenagers in love again, and traveled

across the country together buying merchandise for their Antinque, furniture & variety store located on their property. He was one of the best salesman I've ever seen, and I realized after 25 years managing car dealerships where my sales ability came from! He loved his kids, and he & Mom opened the doors of their home to all our friends and treated them like they were their own. He welded together a "monkey bar gym set" from scratch while we were in St. Bernard, and all the kids in the company "village" would congregate at our house year round. We we moved, he disassembled it with a cutting torch, and welded it back together for us kids when we moved to the "Vise Ranch", 3 miles outside of town on the Bogalusa Hwy. It was the best place ever to grow up as a kid! I love you Pop, and will never forget all the sacrifices & what you did for all of us, and all the things you taught us. May you rest in peace ❤️

Tommy Vise - April 01, 2019 at 11:05 PM

PK

Beautiful

pat kyger - April 01, 2019 at 11:57 PM

 Joni Beshel

Such a beautiful tribute to your dad. God bless you all our condolences to the family. From the Beshel family

Joni Beshel - April 02, 2019 at 10:43 AM

SB

Sending my condolences to each of you. What a wonderful tribute to you Dad and Mom

Susan Barber - April 02, 2019 at 02:44 PM

TT

Well said Tommy.

Toni Tageant - April 02, 2019 at 02:48 PM

CM

Memories saved in your heart forever. What a wonderful tribute to your dad.

Carolyn McElveen - April 02, 2019 at 05:00 PM

GW

What a loving tribute to Uncle Calvin. Sending much love to all of you.

Gayla Wynn - April 02, 2019 at 11:26 PM

RM

We are sorry for your loss. Your family is in our prayers.

Randy and Sandy Mohon - April 03, 2019 at 12:59 AM

KR

Beautiful tribute to such a great man. Thank God for our memories that will live on with us. Prayers for all of your family in this time of loss.

Kaye Robins - April 03, 2019 at 08:48 AM

MS

*So well said. Your mom and dad were two special people and dear friends . Even when I was there teaching half of the clan! My daughter called her Mama Rose and loved spending a day when I was working and needed an extra hand
Their anniversary party was so special. You guys did a great job honoring your parents.
My last memory was after Katrina. I went by to take supplies and i e but couldn't find the drive I knew. So I walked up to the house. Of course they didn't want to take anything someone elseight need but they agreed to cold juice for the gang and bleach to help clean her children's homes. They always thought about their family.
Then I hot a ride on the golf cart back to the road. We had a great visit in a hot house. I loved them.both, as I loved all of you. My prayers and thoughts are with you. Love Miss Martha*

Martha Sumrall - April 04, 2019 at 05:38 PM



Thank you Martha for such thoughtful words! They both thought a lot of you and appreciated having a teacher like you educating their kids! 😊

Tommy Vise - April 24, 2019 at 09:46 PM