



James Richard Morgan

July 23, 1931 - January 29, 2025

JAMES RICHARD MORGAN, AGE 93

And a lifelong resident of Franklinton passed away early Wednesday morning January 29, 2025 at Lakeview Regional Medical Center. He was born on July 23, 1931 and was a Class of 1950 graduate of Franklinton High School where he played for the Demons Football and Basketball teams. Richard received a scholarship to play football at Pearl River Community College for the legendary Coach Doby Holden. For his great achievements on the field, Richard was inducted into the Pearl River Community College Sports Hall of Fame in 2019. After his time at PRCC, he completed his education at Southeastern Louisiana University. Richard began a long, successful career at Hydratane Gas Company and later was employed by Pertolane Gas Company in Franklinton. He was later given the opportunity to become owner of Blossman Petroleum and Tire, which he owned until his recent retirement.

Richard worshipped his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ at First Baptist Church of Franklinton, where he served as deacon and taught Sunday School, across different age groups, for many years. He was currently an active member of the Fellowship Sunday School Class. Richard truly loved the Lord and his church family. He served on the Board of Directors of Parish National Bank for 35 years and also many years on the Good Samaritan Living Center Board of Directors. He was also an active member of the Franklinton Rotary Club for

many years.

Along with enjoying his grandchildren and greatgrandchildren, he loved attending the Bible Study at Sugar Shack every Thursday morning and drinking coffee with special friends Dick Richardson and Mike McNeal, Jr.

Survived by:

Wife of 70 years: Shirley Bateman Morgan

Daughter and Son in law: Mary and Mike Mobley of Franklinton

2 Sons and Daughters in law: Jim and Sandy Morgan of Franklinton,
Robert and Susan Morgan of Covington

4 Grandsons and Spouses: Michael and Haley Mobley of Covington,
James and Lauren Morgan of Alexandria,
Justin and Cacy Morgan of Bentley, LA,
Jonathan Morgan of Franklinton

8 Great-grandchildren: Liam, Truett, Conrad and Elliot Morgan of Bentley,
Ryman and Emersyn Morgan of Alexandria,
Reese and Blair Mobley of Covington

Also numerous nieces, nephews, other family members and many friends

He was preceded in death by his parents Herbert Morgan and Ruby Forrest Morgan and 3 beloved sisters.

Visitation will be at First Baptist Church of Franklinton (903 Cleveland Street) on Saturday February 1st from 9:00 am until 11:00 am. A funeral service will

be held in the church at 11:00 am Saturday with Dr. Jake Roudkovski and Rev. Joey Miller officiating. Burial will follow in Ellis Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorial donations to First Baptist Church of Franklinton (950 Self Street, Franklinton, LA 70438).

Pallbearers: Jonathan Morgan, Justin Morgan, James Morgan, Michael Mobley, Casey Casanova, Clint Casanova

Tribute Wall

JB

“ *Mr. Richard Has been a Boss, a Friend and a Mentor for many years. He is missed every day. He was a person I looked up to. He was a kind and caring person. He will be missed by many for a long time. Joan Busby*

Joan Busby - June 12, 2025 at 01:24 PM

CC

“ *Chance, Ashley, Tanner, Chase purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of James Richard Morgan.*



Chance, Ashley, Tanner, Chase - January 31, 2025 at 09:26 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Richard Morgan.*

January 31, 2025 at 06:57 PM

RM

“ *Mary and family, I am sorry to hear of your loss of your loved one. My deepest condolences are sent to all. Rita Mulina*



Rita Mulina - January 31, 2025 at 04:02 PM

TA

“ *The Knights and the Amidons purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of James Richard Morgan.*



The Knights and the Amidons - January 31, 2025 at 02:33 PM

JR

“ *MR. Richard was always so friendly He would always greet you with a smile and speak if you passed him on the street. Wonderful man..*

John Rochester - January 31, 2025 at 08:27 AM

VB

“ *My condolences to the family. I worked for Mr Richard back in the 80 s. He was such a kind and gentle person. He s inspired my life by his example all these years. I m truly blessed just knowing him and his family.*

Virginia Burch - January 31, 2025 at 08:22 AM

CM

“ *MR. RICHARD WAS TRULY A SOUTHERN GENTLEMAN.*

CAROLYN MCE;VEEN - January 30, 2025 at 03:16 PM

LH

“ *Mary & Family,*

Glenn & I are so sad to hear that your dad passed away. Please know that you all are in our thoughts & prayers.

Lana & Glenn

Lana & Glenn Hutchinson - January 30, 2025 at 02:21 PM

BJ

“ One of the most Godly man it has ever been my pleasure to know . He loved and shared his love of God with all he met . He will truly be missed at our church . He has earned his rest with his Heavenly Father . May God bless his loving wife and children . May God give you all peace that passeth all understanding during this difficult time .. Prayers for you all. Betty

betty jones - January 30, 2025 at 12:06 PM

LR

Prayers for all of you. Such a sweet man that loved the Lord. God Bless !!!

Lyne Robbins - January 30, 2025 at 04:58 PM

CH

I was blessed several weeks ago while shopping at Winn Dixie to meet up with Mr Richard and Mrs Shirley. They were so pleased that I stopped to speak with them. They remembered I once worked for them at Blossmans. God always times perfectly when we get the opportunity to say kind things to a person /persons from our past. Mrs Shirley, and all your family, prayers for your comfort through the days ahead. Carolyn Hughes

Carolyn Hughes - January 31, 2025 at 09:17 AM

FC

Richard was in the class a couple of years ahead of me at FHS and yes he was a very good, tough football player. Not too big but an outstanding halfback. Then he married one of my favorite classmate, Shirley Carrol who was a rather outstanding basketball player herself .He was a pillar at the First Baptist Church and will be truly missed. Blessings to you Shirley and your family. He was a good man.

Finley Corkern - January 31, 2025 at 09:48 AM

DI

Shirley Jim Mary Robert. My prayers are with all of you! I never had a better friend.

Dick - January 31, 2025 at 05:33 PM