



## Leonard Beaushaw

December 2, 1933 - June 27, 2020

Leonard Beaushaw, living most of his life in Franklinton died late Saturday evening at home, following a lengthy illness, succumbing to pancreatic cancer June 27, 2020 at the age of 86. Leonard was born Dec. 2, 1933 in the rural community of Barton City, MI where he was raised, and loved hunting and brook trout fishing. He hunted all of his life, until falling ill, and was also a passionate fisherman. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1952-56 as a member of the Strategic Air Command, working as the crew chief on a refueling tanker. After basic training in Wichita Falls, TX he was stationed at McDill AFB in Tampa, FL with postings to Newfoundland, Bermuda, and Morocco. February 4, 1956 he married his wife, Clara Jo. Together they raised two children, Bill and Danetta. Leonard worked 33 years at Southern Natural Gas before retiring in 1996. Leonard developed a passion for the guitar and regularly gathered with friends to play, sing, and enjoy each others company, including playing at Mile Branch Settlement at the Washington Parish Fair each year. A lifelong Lutheran, he and his wife attended Fisher United Methodist Church and he often played his guitar at the nursing home for services the church conducted there.

Survived by:

Wife of 62 years: Clara Jo Davenport Beaushaw of Franklinton

Son and Daughter in law: William Miley "Bill" Beaushaw and Jeannie Kaye  
Beushaw of Pearl River

Daughter and Son in law: Danetta Lyn Beaushaw and Andy Thomson of  
Houston, TX

Grandchildren: Derek Beaushaw and his wife Ada of Bay St. Louis, MS,  
Ripley Thomson,  
Brooke Thomson both of Houston

Great-granddaughter: Elise Beaushaw

Niece: Diane McGregor Shea

Cousins: Paul Wnuk, Mark Wnuk, Mike, Wnuk, Nancy Wnuk Ceisla

He was preceded in death by his parents Duncan Beaushaw and Gladys  
Rifenbark Beaushaw and other family members.

Visitation will be at Fisher Methodist Church (41607 Hwy. 1056, Franklinton)  
on Wednesday July 1st from 12:00 pm until 2:00 pm. A funeral service will be  
held in the church at 2:00 pm Wednesday with Rev. John Chetta and Rev.  
Mark Juneau officiating. Burial will follow in Ellis Cemetery.

Pallbearers are his music playing friends Pete Williams, John Harris, Danny  
Harris, Ray Williams, Steve Jones, Billy Jones

# Tribute Wall

MW

“ I'm pretty sure cousin Leonard was the first guitar player I ever saw in person. I also liked his Louisiana accent. Sending prayers for his family who will sadly miss this man.

Michael Wnuk - July 06, 2020 at 09:06 AM



“ I was saddened to just hear the news of Mr. Leonard's passing. He was a wonderful Father, husband and friend. He and my Dad, "Muscles" worked together for many years at Southern Natural Gas. As a young boy, I would spend a lot of time at his house with his son Bill. He and Ms Clara Joe would always had a good word for us from the Bible, to teach us things that were most important in life. He was a wonderful man who will be remembered for his kindness, music and his dedication to the Lord.

Tommy Vise - July 04, 2020 at 12:14 PM

LS

“ Lib Scheuermann lit a candle in memory of Leonard Beaushaw



Lib Scheuermann - July 02, 2020 at 07:01 PM

AC

“ I am so sorry for your great loss Clara Jo. May God fill you with continued strength to go on. The days will be long and the nights even longer but God fills the time of hurt with beautiful memories and I know there are many. Love you and God loves you more.

ann creel - July 01, 2020 at 12:05 PM

LG

“ Clara Jo, so sorry to learn of Mr. Leonard's passing. He was a very kind,generous person, just as you are. I certainly enjoyed the vegetables, that you two would bring to me. He had a heart of gold, always helping someone. You will be in my prayers.

Linda Galloway - June 30, 2020 at 08:45 PM

VS

“ Deepest sympathies to your family from Vickie and Thomas Stephens. We love you, Mrs. Clara. May the Good Lord wrap his arms around you and comfort you during this difficult time. Peace be with you.



Vickie and Thomas Stephens - June 30, 2020 at 01:51 PM

WC

“ Clara Jo, we are so sorry to hear this. We are out of town, but our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Wonderful memories of him sharing his musical talent and how much everyone loved listening.....

W.E. and Cindy - June 30, 2020 at 10:30 AM

JO

Clarie so sorry to hear this, my prayers are with you and your family. Love you.

Joyboyd - June 30, 2020 at 12:08 PM

MB

“ So very sad to hear of Leonard’s passing. Fond memories of him on Varnado St. picking at our two daughters. he donated blood for me when our son was born.. May God bless and keep you Clara Jo

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**Marcia Bickham** - June 29, 2020 at 07:14 PM

LM

“ Mrs. Clara Jo, I am just seeing this about Mr. Leonard and I am shocked & so sad to hear this. He was always so special to us, not only by being a friend to our dad & playing music with him but we just learned to love both of you as dear friends. I would always have to get a hug from him when I would run into him in town. Please know how sorry we are and we will cover you with our prayers. Much love to you.  
Linus & Libby Magee

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**Libby Magee** - June 29, 2020 at 04:54 PM

HD

“ So sorry to hear of Leonard’s passing. Always loved being in his presence. He loved people, his music and most of all his wife Clara Jo and family. He will surely be missed. RIP.

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**Huey P. Duncan** - June 29, 2020 at 04:27 PM

FC

C.J. It has been a long time since high school days but I still remember those simpler times. I’m sorry for your loss. A bit strange but Leonard and i shared the same birthday(12/02/1933). Saying a prayer for you and your family. God Bless.  
Finley Corkern

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**Finley Corkern** - June 30, 2020 at 11:18 AM