



Sammie J. Sylvest

October 17, 1932 - February 5, 2016

SAMMIE J. SYLVEST, AGE 83

And a resident of Franklinton died at 10:29 pm Friday February 5, 2016 at the Carpenter House in Baton Rouge. He was a native of Franklinton but lived in Indiana for 26 years before returning home to Washington Parish in 1996. Sammie was a United States Navy veteran of the Korean War and a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church. He was a former electrician for Navistar International and an active member of the Washington Parish Fire District 1. Sammie was always a very friendly person that enjoyed meeting and visiting with others. He was always quick to extend the hand of Christian fellowship even to those he just met because he never met a stranger.

Survived by:

Wife: Marilyn Midkiff Sylvest

Daughter and Son in law: Kristie and Harry Smith of Watson, LA

3 Sons and Daughters in law: Kim and Laudia Sylvest of Elburn, IL,
Kenneth and Tasha Sylvest of Prairieville,
Donald and Susan Sylvest of Coppell, TX

Step-daughter: Michelle Owensby of Indiana

2 Step-sons and Spouses: Earl and Mary Petry of Indiana,
Rob and Cheryl Petry of Ohio

2 Brothers and Sisters in law: Lawrence and Nell Sylvest,
Billy and Jeanette Sylvest all of Franklinton

Sister: Freda Welch of Franklinton

Also numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by an infant son, his parents Cluster N. Sylvest and Lucille Snyder Sylvest, brother and sister in law Jo and Ann Sylvest, and brother in law Enoch Welch.

Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home Monday February 8th from 10 am until 3 pm. A funeral service will be held at 3 pm Monday in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Fredrick Brumfield officiating. Burial will follow in the Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery.

Obituaries can be viewed online at www.crainfh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 8. 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Service

FEB 8. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DS

“ I had the pleasure of working with Sam at the Indy Engine Plant. He always had a tale to tell in that smooth southern drawl. May God console the family on his passing.



Dan Smither - June 02, 2016 at 04:13 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Sammie J. Sylvest.



February 07, 2016 at 03:50 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sammie J. Sylvest.



February 07, 2016 at 12:59 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sammie J. Sylvest.



February 07, 2016 at 09:20 AM

LA

“ Kristie, I did not personally know Sam but to see the friendship and love pouring out from so many who do know Him says everything about this loving Father. I have this poem that helped me when my Father went to meet Jesus in Heaven and I believe in my heart that this will help You too. I pictured this poem as my Daddy talking to me. God Bless You and Family. "If You Could See Where I Have Gone"

*If you could see where I have gone,
The beauty of this place,
And how it feels to know you're home,
To see the Savior's face.
To wake in peace and know no fear,
Just joy, beyond compare,
While still on earth you miss me
Yet you wouldn't want me there,
If you could see where I have gone.*

*If you could see where I have gone,
God made the trip with me.
You'd know I didn't go alone,
The Savior came with me.
When I awoke, He was by my side,
And reached down His hand,
Said, "Hurry, You're going home,
to a grand and glorious land.
Don't worry over those you love,
for I'm not just with you.*

*And don't you know with you at home,
they'll long to be here, too?"
If you could see where I have gone,
And see what I've been shown,
You'd never know another fear,
or ever feel alone.*

*You'd marvel at the care of God,
His hand on every life,
And realize He really cares,
And bears with us, each strife.
And that he weeps when one is lost,
His heart is filled with pain.*

*But Oh! The Joy! When one comes home,
A child at home again.
If you could see where I have gone,
Could stay a while with me,
Could share the things that God has made
To Grace eternity.*

*But no, you couldn't ever leave,
Once Heaven's joy you'd known.
You couldn't bear to walk earth's paths,
Once Heaven was your home,
if you could see where I have gone.
If you could see where I have gone,
You'd know we'll meet someday
and though I'm parted from you now,
That I am just away.*

*To thank you dear loved one,
For living, for the Lord,
for teaching me to Love Him,
To trust Him and His word.
And now that I am home with Him,
Secure in every way,
I'm waiting here
at heaven's door,
to greet you some sweet day.*

BG

“ *Mr Sammy was like a father figure for ms and my girls. They loved Mr Sammy.
But he was a great friend and would help any way he could and he did. He sat with me for hours on end at Chikdtens Hospital when my daughter was having tests done.
Mr Sammy will surely be missed!!!!*

bridgett gill - February 07, 2016 at 04:53 AM

RS

“ *Will always remember his smile, his hugs and his wonderful friendship. Sammie never knew a stranger. Will always have wonderful memories of the USS Delta reunions. Thank you Sammie for being part of our lives. You will forever be in our heart.*

Rodger and Connie Soppe - February 07, 2016 at 12:50 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sammie J. Sylvest.*



February 07, 2016 at 12:02 AM

RC

“ *We were very saddened to hear of Sammie's passing. We both served on the Delta during the early 1950's. He was a good man and we enjoyed several Delta reunions over the years.
Ralph and Betty Chasteen*

Ralph Chasteen - February 06, 2016 at 11:58 PM

DE

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Debbie Everman - February 06, 2016 at 09:27 PM

DE

Condolences to the Sylvest family. Sammie was a good guy and it was always nice to see him at the Navistar Retiree's picnics.

Debbie Everman - February 06, 2016 at 09:28 PM

LT

“ Sorry to hear of Sammie's passing. We served together on the USS Delta and attended a few reunions together. Many happy memories. Louis "Red" Tyrrell

Louis Tyrrell - February 06, 2016 at 08:09 PM

TK

“ Terrie Kinchen lit a candle in memory of Sammie J. Sylvest



Terrie Kinchen - February 06, 2016 at 06:21 PM

JQ

“ *Juli Cooper Quinn lit a candle in memory of Sammie J. Sylvest*



Juli Cooper Quinn - February 06, 2016 at 03:57 PM

DR

“ *Debbie Riggs lit a candle in memory of Sammie J. Sylvest*



debbie riggs - February 06, 2016 at 03:51 PM