



Allen Lee McMillan

April 13, 2020

Allen Lee McMillan entered into eternal rest on April 13, 2020. Allen was born in New Orleans, LA on September 18, 1938 to the late Edward McMillan and Laura Lee McMillan.

He was active in the church, notably beginning at St. Paul A.M.E. Church, until later joining St. Peter Claver Catholic Church and also often attending St. James Major Catholic Church. He was also active at the Sojourner Truth Neighborhood Center, Couples and Friends Club and the New Orleans Chapter of AARP.

Allen was a proud graduate of McDonogh #35 Senior High School. It is during these years that he met Lorraine Howard who became his high school sweetheart and eventually his wife of 55 years until his untimely death. He spent almost all of his working years as a clerk supervisor at the United States Postal Service until he retired.

He was a long time member of the Capetowners Carnival Club, where he served as President and other officer positions and he even reigned as the Club's King in 1986.

He was one who strongly believed in the "do-it yourself" philosophy. He preached accountability and he lived by it, if he could do it himself, he would, and never asked for help. Even after Hurricane Katrina, at 67 years old, he used the skills that he learned from his father, who was a carpenter, to rebuild 80% of his flood ravaged home by himself.

Even though those closest to him had their own share of strong personalities

of very accomplished people, his wife, sisters, so and other relatives always came to him for his assistance. Not only was he dependable, but he would give it his all until it was done.

He spent most of his spare time bowling, which he loved so much. He participated in several leagues for many decades and would often bring his family on trips to bowling tournaments out of state. He also loved reading science fiction novels.

Allen will be most remembered by his commitment to his family. He truly loved his wife Lorraine. He participated in a whole lot of events, clubs, bus rides and gatherings, etc. just to make her happy. As a father, even though he would often work long hours on the overnight shift, he never missed a local baseball or basketball game for his son Brian. He was a provider, protector, leader and the foundation for his family. He was even a very stern disciplinarian to his son, but you wouldn't know that if you saw him with his granddaughter Rayne. Once Rayne Alexa McMillan was born in 2003 all bets were off. He became the softest and most gentle man you could see anywhere and the two of them became best friends.

Allen was predeceased by his sisters Jacquelyn McMillan and Laurene McMillan and is survived by his wife Lorraine McMillan, his son Brian H. McMillan, Esq., and his granddaughters Rayne Alexa McMillan and Bailey Hankerson McMillan, and a host of other cousins, relatives and friends. Relatives and friends of the family, the family is hosting a private service. Interment: Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 1020 Virgil Street, Gretna, LA 70053.

Tribute Wall



“ *My condolences to the family. It was an honor to work with Mr Allen.* ”

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