



Alvin Joseph Richard

January 24, 2025

Alvin Joseph Richard passed away on January 24, 2025, surrounded by family. Beloved husband of the late Arlene LeCesne Richard. He was a native of New Orleans, born October 14, 1932, to the late Clarence Andrew, Jr., and Olga Adrienne Richard. Father of Terrence Gerard Richard, Kent Michael Richard, and Wendy Michelle Richard. Father-in-law of Rose Quezergue, and Gwendolyn Alexis Richard. Grandfather of Nikolaus Charles Richard (Bianca), Brandon Joshua Richard, Natalie Quezergue Richard, Isabel Grace Bunn, Gabriel Joseph Bunn, Melissa Alexis Lindsey, and Neal Anthony Robert. Great Grandfather to Brayden Aymar and Brixton Wade Richard. Brother of Irvin Richard and the late Clarence Richard. Brother-in-law of Elsie Richard, Dr. Charmaine LeCesne Young, Errol LeCesne, Dr. Terrel LeCesne, Kenneth LeCesne and Blaine LeCesne, the late Armond LeCesne, Jr., Norvin LeCesne, and Diane LeCesne Kelly.

Prior to Alvin's administrative positions at Xavier University, he taught at a local junior high school. He joined Xavier's administrative staff first, in the role of Assistant Dean of Men, then later to become the Dean of Men. After receiving his graduated degree from Xavier, he went on to become Head of Admissions. Alvin then decided to pursue his Doctorate degree in education from the University of Illinois. Once achieving this educational milestone, he accepted a position at Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire. He held several positions during his tenure there, including Dean of Students, Associated Dean of the College, then Acting Dean overseeing all

undergraduate affairs. He then ultimately became Director of Affirmative Action and Special Assistant to the President promoting diversity and inclusion within the college. After completing his tenure at Dartmouth, Alvin and family returned to New Orleans accepting his new role at Xavier as Dean of the Graduate School until his retirement.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the Memorial Mass of Christian Burial on Saturday, February 22, 2025, at Katherine Drexel Chapel at Xavier University, 3932 Pine Street, New Orleans, LA 70125 at 10:00 am. Visitation begins at 9:00 am. Following the Mass, interment will be at St. Roch No. 2 Cemetery, 1725 Music St. New Orleans, La 70117. Arrangements by Duplain W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Ave. New Orleans, LA 70125. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the online guestbook, share memories, and condolences with the family.

Cemetery Details

St. Roch #2 Cemetery

New Orleans, LA

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 22. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Katherine Drexel Chapel at Xavier University
3932 Pine Street
New Orleans, LA 70125

Memorial Service

FEB 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Alvin was a great family member and he will be missed*

Abbie and Errol LeCesne - February 24, 2025 at 01:47 PM

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“ *On behalf of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart Alumni Association and Brother Martin High School, I offer our prayers and condolences. We will say a Mass in his memory.*

*Kenny Spellman '84
Brother Martin High School*

Kenny Spellman - February 21, 2025 at 01:09 PM

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“ *Fay and I send our sincere condolences to all of the members of Lene and Alvin's impressive and large family. Our bond of friendship began at Xavier U. in the 1950s and we shared many wonderful activities together since that time in many different places of our country.*

Our thoughts and remembrances are with you as you mourn and also celebrate his life.

Best wishes,

Fay and A.P. Tureaud, Jr.

AP Tureaud, Jr - February 16, 2025 at 05:11 PM

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*Sending heartfelt sympathy to the Richard & LeCesne Families...May Alvin Rest in Peace...Prayerfully...
Jeannetta & William Broyard*

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