



Delano Braud Sr

March 31, 2025

Delano Braud Sr., a man of quiet strength, humor, and unforgettable storytelling, was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, to the late Carl Joseph Braud Sr. and Louise Callier Braud. He was the beloved brother of Carl Jr. (Yvonne), Larry (Brenda) and the late Rudolph (Leslie), and Fernand. On March 31, 2025, at the age of 79, he peacefully transitioned, surrounded by his loving family. After relentlessly battling health issues, he still fought to remain a little longer with the people he loved most.

He was a devoted husband to Barbara Gaudin Braud, and together, they built a beautiful family rooted in love. He was the proud father of Delano Jr., Joy Braud Sims (Dedrick), Dax Braud Sr. (Amina), and Kristina Braud Jones (William). He treasured his grandchildren, Taelar, Jade (Joe), Delano III, William, Xaeda, Kaleb, Dax Jr., and Austin, and adored his great-granddaughter, Jaicee.

A proud New Orleanian, Delano lived with deep humility and an even deeper devotion to his family. Though he never claimed a formal church home, his generous spirit, faith-filled conversations, and love for people reflected a man grounded in the values of grace, compassion, and the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Del, as he was affectionately known, was a father figure not only to his own children but also to his sons-in-law, nieces, nephews, and countless

neighborhood kids and friends. His wisdom, humor, and stories brought comfort, laughter, and life lessons to many.

Delano proudly served in the U.S. Air Force as a Morse Code Intercept Operator. That service led to his work with Western Union and later with ODECO, which became Murphy Oil. While working full-time, he pursued his bachelor's degree in Business Administration, often with his kids in tow, and proudly graduated with his family watching.

After over 30 years of service in the oil industry, Hurricane Katrina forced his retirement, but Delano never stopped working. Whether fixing up his house, building things with his hands, mentoring others, or simply working on his beloved yellow truck, Del was always on the move.

He loved to sing songs passed down from his mother, talk scripture with anyone who came to the door and listened to music until it gently lulled him to sleep. He was a master in the kitchen, known for his hot tamales, pound cake, and garlic parmesan vermicelli, and never made a dish the same way twice.

Above all, Delano Braud Sr. lived a life of intention, love, and generosity. Even in his final days, he fought to stay with his family. His strength, laughter, and stories live on in each of us. We will carry him forward in our hearts, in our kitchens, and in the joyful sound of a song sung unexpectedly.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend his Funeral Service at D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Avenue on Saturday, April 12, 2025 at 10:00 am. Visitation will begin at 9:00 am. Interment: Mount Olivet Cemetery. Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, New Orleans, LA. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the guestbook.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

4000 Norman Mayer Ave.
New Orleans, LA 70122

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 12. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Rhodes Funeral Home - Washington Avenue
3933 Washington Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70125
(504) 822-7162
<https://www.rhodesfuneral.com>

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ GOD's Tender BLESSINGS to the Beautiful Mother and fine daughters and sons. Your Dad's Sweet Spirit lives on through y'all.No greater TRIBUTE to A GREAT MAN!,,Love you PaPaw Del..REST IN JESUS Bruh..See you soon..

WALTER and SHARON AUSTIN and Family - April 12, 2025 at 09:09 AM

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“ Yvonne L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Delano Braud Sr.

Yvonne L. - April 11, 2025 at 03:32 PM

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“ Del is a loss to our neighborhood, Del's friends, and his family he loved and cherished. He enjoyed watching his children grow and the joy of his grandchildren. He had faith in people and helped them. He gave and never asked for anything in return. Many of us grew up together and have many good stories and memories and laughs. Del loved to fish, smell flowers, work in his yard, and he made the best Hot Tamales and other delicious dishes. Delano "Del" Braud will always remain in our heart, and we will always honor his name in dedication to the life he lived and loved.

Barbara Trevigne and family.

Barbara Trevigne - April 11, 2025 at 10:00 AM

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“ to Mrs. Barbara G. Braud and to all of his children and grandchildren and his great granddaughter and to his brothers Mr/Mrs Carl Braud Jr and Mr/Mrs. Larry Braud words how ever kind can't mend your heart ache but those that care and share your loss wish you comfort and peace of mind may you and your family find strength in this time of sorrow may you and your family cherish all the memories that your family shared together may the peace of our lord be with the family

lester polly lassai - April 10, 2025 at 04:43 PM

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“ lester polly lassai lit a candle in memory of Delano Braud



lester polly lassai - April 10, 2025 at 04:29 PM