



Lawrence Richard Townzel

November 9, 2022

LAWRENCE RICHARD TOWNZEL was born October 3, 1932; in Chicago, Illinois to the union of the late Estelle and Lawrence Townzel Sr. At the age of 90, Lawrence Townzel went home to be with his Heavenly Father on November 9, 2022. He was surrounded by his family at the time of his passing.

Lawrence was a native of Chicago, Illinois, but at the age of 82 he moved to Harvey, LA in 2015. He loved living in Louisiana because of the warm weather and the delicious food. Moving to Louisiana allowed him to spend more time with his son Duane and his family. Duane and his dad loved to try new restaurants, go fishing and work on projects together. Lawrence also was able to spend time with his youngest granddaughter Dawn while she lived with him as a Xavier University student. Lawrence was very proud of “his baby” for all her hard work and her graduation from college.

Lawrence was educated in the Illinois Public School System graduating from Chicago Vocational High School. After graduation, he joined the military serving in the Army from 1950-1953. Lawrence was honorably discharged and was a veteran of the Korean War.

Lawrence began his career working 13 years for the University of Illinois as a Courier. He also worked for many years for Xerox and Sears Companies. Lawrence was a jack of all trades and was very good with his hands. He built computers, radio control air crafts etc. His hobbies included fishing, building and flying model airplanes, flying his drone, and ham radio operation.

Lawrence leaves behind a sister Rheta Posey, 3 children Duane (Michelle) Townzel, Tanya Williams and Lauren Johnson, 9 grandchildren Duane Townzel Jr. and Gina Townzel; Dominick (Sky), Ryan, and Austin Williams; William Johnson Jr, Kora, Latrice and Dawn Johnson. And 3 Great grandchildren Trenity Green, Dominique and Devin Williams. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins and supportive friends such as Perry Milsap Sr. He was preceded in death by his loving parents Estelle and Lawrence Townzel Sr., 2 sisters Allegra and Yvonne Townzel and his brother-in-law Richard Posey Sr.

Relatives, family and friends are invited to attend a funeral at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church, 1923 St. Phillip Street New Orleans, Louisiana 70116 on Saturday, November 26, 2022 at 10:00 am. Visitation will begin at 9:00 am. Internment: Southeast Louisiana Veterans Cemetery, 34888 Grantham College Drive Slidell, Louisiana 70460 on Monday, November 28, 2022. Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Ave. New Orleans, LA 70125. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the online guestbook.

Cemetery Details

Southeast LA. Veterans Cemetery

34888 Grantham College Dr, Slidell, LA
70460
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Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **26.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Peter Claver Catholic Church
1923 St. Philip St.
New Orleans, LA 70116

Funeral

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