



Luther (Johnny) Clyde Boyd

June 30, 2025

Luther (Johnny) Clyde Boyd was born on June 30, 1936, in McAlpin, West Virginia, to Odessa Knox Boyd and J. Richard Boyd.

Luther passed peacefully surrounded by his family on June 25, 2025—just five days shy of his 89th birthday.

A man of quiet strength and deep integrity, Luther dedicated 43 years of his life as a longshoreman with Cooper T. Smith Stevedoring Company (Local ILA Union #3000), where he earned the respect of his peers through hard work and unwavering commitment.

He was a devoted husband to Dorothy P. Boyd for 62 years. Their marriage was a lasting testament to love, faith, and unity.

He is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Dorothy P. Boyd; his parents, Odessa Knox Boyd and J. Richard Boyd; his brothers, James Boyd, Samuel Boyd, and Wayne Boyd; his sisters, Shirley B. Holland and Joan Tanks; his grandson, Kelian Boyd Sr.; his son-in-law, Melvin Pierre; Brother in Laws Leroy Palmer, Darris Guzman, Jr., John Momon and Sister in Laws Odessa Palmer and Debra Guzman.

He leaves to cherish his memory five children: Eric L. Boyd (Mercedes),

Yolanda D.. Boyd, Cassandra B. Ebanks, Stephanie B. Pierre, and Darries L. Boyd (Keisha); Nephews whom he raised Derek Givens Jr. and John Seth Momon, his sister, Drema Marks; 13 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends who will dearly miss him.

Luther was a dedicated and faithful Deacon at Greater Liberty Baptist Church in New Orleans, Louisiana. Following Hurricane Katrina, he relocated to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where he placed his membership at Little Zion Baptist Church. Later he then joined the New Home Family Worship Center in Baton Rouge. He enjoyed a rich life filled with hobbies and passions. Luther had a keen interest in collecting antiques and collectibles, appreciating their value and uniqueness. He also loved his New Orleans Saints and many other sports. He enjoyed fishing, bowling and watching golf.

Luther's life was one of quiet service—to his family, friends, church, and community. His kindness, humility, and strength touched all who knew him. Whether through his work, his wisdom, or his steady presence, Luther made a lasting impact that will not be forgotten.

He leaves behind a legacy of love, hard work, and quiet strength that continues to live on in those who survive him.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend a Celebration of Life at New Home Family Worship Center, 1616 R.C. Blakes Drive, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130 on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at 10:00am. Viewing will begin at 9:00am. Bishop Samuel R. Blakes: Officiant. Internment: Providence Memorial Park Mausoleum, 8200 Airline Drive, Metairie, Louisiana 70003.

Arrangements entrusted to D.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.

"Well done, good and faithful servant." – Matthew 25:23

Cemetery Details

Providence Park Cemetery

8200 Airline Dr.
Metairie, LA 70003

Previous Events

Visitation

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

New Home Ministries
1616 Carondelet St
New Orleans, LA 70130-4431
(504) 529-1302

Funeral Service

JUL 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

New Home Ministries
1616 R.C. Blake Blvd. (Carondelet St.)
New Orleans, LA

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Curtis Davis Family purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Luther (Johnny) Clyde Boyd.*



The Curtis Davis Family - July 10, 2025 at 04:07 PM

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“ *Mr. Luther Boyd took me under his wing when I first joined the union. His tutelage set me on a path of success! I will be forever grateful for his leadership and unselfishness! Rest in peace, Deacon Boyd!*



Willie J. Williams, Jr.

Willie J. Williams, Jr. - July 10, 2025 at 09:57 AM

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“ *The Late Robert Thomas Jr and Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Luther (Johnny) Clyde Boyd.*



The Late Robert Thomas Jr and Family - July 09, 2025 at 08:38 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Luther (Johnny) Clyde Boyd.*

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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Luther (Johnny) Clyde Boyd.



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