

***Department of Louisiana  
American Legion Family  
Remembrance and Prayer Lists***

*“This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us – whatever we ask – we know that we have what we asked of Him.”*

***(1 John 5:14-15)***

*God reads the prayers of our heart even before they have been formed into words or vocalized by our mouth.*

***Sick List***

**For those who are having medical difficulties who are receptive to prayer offered on their behalf, let us continue to lift their names in prayer:**



## ***Prayer For The Ill***

*Merciful God, hear our voices joined with people all over the world in languages foreign and familiar each tradition calls You by different names. Yet, this day, we speak in a single voice, united in prayer for the sick. O Gentle Companion, help all suffering people to recognize Your sacred presence in the broken space of their lives. Send Your healing spirit to all who suffer the pain of physical, emotional, and spiritual illness. May Your gift of laughter be light for their long lonely nights. Bless those whose lives are ending. Free them from fear. Surround them with the comfort and peace of Your love. Remind them of Your promises; life beyond life, love beyond our understanding. In hope and trust we celebrate this prayer as we praise and thank You for the goodness and beauty with which You have blessed our lives and our world.*

*Amen.*

*Elinor Quill, NACC Cert.*

**Heavenly Father, may it be Your will that You heal the body and spirit of our friends whose names are listed below:**

Mary Beth Stringer, Thibodaux Unit 513  
James and Connie Hymel (James entered hospice care)

**And all others who desire prayer**

(\*carried forward from an earlier date\*)

- \*Debra Caballero, (Daughter of Jackie Cromwell) Cancer - chemo
- \*Rosemary Jeanne, Past Department President, Jefferson Unit 267 (In nursing home)
- \*Cheryl Bossenmeyer, Auxiliary Dept. Secretary, Jefferson Unit 267
- \*David Duracher Sr., Covington Post 16

- \*Penny Trepagnier, Department Headquarters Secretary
- \*Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin, Past DEC, Chauvin Post 380
  - \* Tony Betts, Past DEC, Kaplan Post 271
  - \*Harold Burson, Cedar Grove Post 6
- \*Bea Guidry, Raceland Unit 349 (Wife of PDC Eldon Guidry)
  - \*Theresa Naquin, Montegut Unit 271
  - \*Rev. James Akers (KS) Past National Chaplain
  - \*Henderson Kennedy Jr., Thibodaux Post 513
- \*Rev. Vincent Turner (Past AL Chaplain) and wife Sandra
- \*Rene' Bossenmeyer, (Husband of Cheryl - Auxiliary Secretary)
  - \*Ruth Cormier, New Llano Unit 387
  - \*PDC Archie Boyette, Alexandria Post 3
    - \*Albert Martin, Lockport Post 83
  - \*Wendy Couvillon, Raceland Unit 349
  - \*PDVC Sammy White, Winsboro Post 559

### **And For All Others Not Listed**


**5/25/15**

Erica Becnel Simpson, President Ama Unit 509  
 Laverne Becnel, Ama Unit 509  
 Leroy (Big Lew) Lewis Jr. Shreveport Post 450

**5/15/15**

Murray Dennis, Thibodaux, Friend of Veterans (cancer treatment)  
 James Tarver, New Llano Post 387 (heart surgery)  
 Emma Simon, Lake Charles Unit 551 (Ongoing cancer treatment)  
 Anthony Danforth, Riverside, TX. (Special prayer request)

**3/25/15**

Claudette Holmes, (Sister of Ethel Theriot) (Stroke-recovering well)  
 Clifton Woods, Thibodaux Post 513 (Hospice care)  
 Jackson Croker, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Cmdr., Houma Post 31  
 Larry Abshire, Westlake Post 370 (Heart surgery-postponed)  
 Harold "Hal" Tornroth, 3<sup>rd</sup> District VC, Franklin Post 63 (Heart surgery-recovering well)  
 James Colbert, Baton Rouge Post 505 (Heart surgery- recovering well)

**2/26/15**

Mary S. Rose, President, Opelousas Unit 514  
 Eugene Daigle, Sulphur Post 179 (Minor surgery recovery)

1/29/15

Nancy Lowery, Baton Rouge Unit 38 (Past 3rd District President) (surgery recovery)  
Elda Doucet, Galliano Unit 315 (Past Dept President) (surgery recovery)  
Ernest Queen, Thibodaux Post 513 (Rehab care)  
April Victorian, Lake Charles Unit 551 (Sue Hudson's daughter)  
Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin, Chauvin Post 380 (Progressing well)  
Anthony "Tony" Betts, Kaplan Post 271 (Continued care)

*and He Himself bore our sins in His  
body on the cross, so that we might die to  
sin and live to righteousness; for by His  
wounds you were healed*

*1 Peter 2:24 (NASB)*

## *In Memory Of The Deceased*



*Lord God, the death of our loved ones recalls our human condition and brevity of our lives on earth. But for those who believe in Your love, death is not the end, nor does it destroy the bonds that You forge in our lives. We share the faith of Your Son's disciples and the hope of the children of God. Bring the light of Christ's resurrection to this time of testing and pain as we pray for them and for those who love them, through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **We pray in memory of**

Jimmy Croker(Brother of 3rd Dist Cmdr. Jack Croker)(5/27/15)

William Walter Ruby, Sulphur Post 370 (5/23/15)

Charles D. Randal, Sr., Lafayette Post 504 (5/15/15)

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/theadvertiser/obituary.aspx?n=Charles-D-Randal&pid=174917905>

Betty Gene Randal Odom, Lafayette Unit 504, (5/18/15)

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/theadvertiser/obituary.aspx?n=Betty-Gene-Randal-Odom&pid=174916054>

**And all others not listed**

## Prior Listed Deceased

Margaret Bergeron, (Mother of Nell Pellegrin) Chauvin Unit 380 (4/19/15)  
Fram Murphy, Jefferson Unit 267  
Alice Bruza, Jefferson Unit 267  
Alice White, Jefferson Unit 267  
Clifton Woods, Thibodaux Post 513 (5/18/15)  
Willie Rhodes, Houston, TX (Cousin of Gloria Butler, Post 513)  
Joe Leslie, PDVC/PCG-40&8, Shreveport Post 14 (4/27/15)  
Edward J. Sam, Lafayette Post 504 (4/27/15)  
Bill Lofton, Past 7th District Cmdr, Deridder Post 27  
Ms. Patty Blanchard, Raceland Unit 349 (Daughter of Hudson Foret)  
Oliver Wendell Markland, Jr, Baton Rouge Post 38 (2/12/15)  
Dot Miller, Past Department President, President, St. Martinville Unit 71  
Joseph Irwin Waguespack, Destrehan Post 366 (1/4/15)  
Mother of Mary Henry (Sulphur Unit 179)  
Jimmy "Big Chief" Barbee, Cmdr Plaquemine Post 167 (1/18/15)  
Vincent Scurich, New Orleans Post 203 (1/25/15)  
Johnny S. Greene, Grambling Post 593 (12/16/14)  
Connie Luwisch, Jefferson Unit 267  
Beckie Cassell, Rayville Unit 122  
Kaitlyn Bennisant, (2014 Girls State Citizen, Gueydon HS)  
Betty Eskind, Lydia Unit 365  
Dickie Louis Jenkins, Covington Sq. 16 (11/19/14)  
Lorenza Agnes Ruiz Welch, Covington Unit 16 (11/23/14)  
Salvador "Bubbie" Mesina, Baton Rouge Post 38 (8/20/14)  
Pat Garcia (Wife of Henry) Lafayette Unit 69 (11/16/14)  
Gaynell Vassar (Wife of Tommy) Vinton Unit 208 (11/8/14)  
Janice Taylor, Past 4<sup>th</sup> District President, Shreveport Unit 14  
Alton J. Theriot, Korean War Veteran, (Uncle of G. Theriot)  
Alvis Washington, Thibodaux Post 513  
Terrell Wise (Grandson of Nancy Lowery, Lydia Unit 365)  
Phillip Jackson (Sacramento, CA., Uncle of Gerald Theriot)  
Julian "Porky" Rodrigue Sr., (Age 91) Covington Post 16 (5/10/14)  
Cordelia Derousselle-Ledet (Sister and Sister-in-Law of Ruth and Joe Cormier)  
Joe Citizen, 7<sup>th</sup>D Area Cmdr., Church Point Post  
Albert M. Besson, PDVC (96-97), Montegut Post 272  
Darrell LeBlanc, Cmdr New Iberia Post 4  
David "Skip" Butler, Jr., New Llano Post 387  
Wilma Johnston, (Mother-in-Law of Larry Abshire, Sulphur Post 179)(3/22/14)  
Leticia St Amant, (Niece of Joyce Bouvier, Galliano Unit 315)  
Anna Mae Misuraca, Baton Rouge Unit 38 (4/2/14)  
Susie Legendre, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Past President, Lockport Unit 83  
Richard Moore, Shreveport Post 450 (Father of Carl Moore, Cmdr)  
Neveal. A. Domingue (Brother of Marian Davidson, Abbeville Unit 29) (3/1/14)  
Mary Williams (Charter member), Thibodaux Unit 513 (2/17/14)  
Anna Bell Joseph, (Sister of Christine Joseph, Thibodaux Unit 513)  
Charles Champagne (WWII), Plaquemines Post 167  
Rodney Ducharme (WWII), Plaquemine Post 167  
Oliver Queen Sr., (PPC) Thibodaux post 513  
Frances Gendusa Massa, Covington Unit 16 (1/7/14)  
Charlotte Hosch (Daughter of Mina Janet)(1/18/14)  
Edward DeLagrange (PDVC), New Orleans Post 137 (1/12/14)  
Delores Williams, Baton Rouge Unit 38  
Richard Pedro, PNC, New York (Legion Leadership)



## *For The Bereaved*



*Every day and every night  
when you feel the need  
to hold me tight, just blow  
a kiss into the sky, for  
I will be that close by.*

*In the heavens throughout  
the day, I watch over you and  
hear you pray, I see you smile  
and shed a tear, for you know  
that I'm still near.*

*I'm the Angel of your eye,  
I'm your Angel in the sky.*

*We are never prepared for the loss of a loved one but God is  
always prepared to help us through that loss. May His presence  
begin the healing in your heart and soul and may His love  
surround you with the comfort only He can give.*

## *Praying For Our Military*



We hear people say, "Pray for our Troops!" But what do we pray for? What, specifically, are their needs? Here are insights provided by Army Chaplain (MAJ) Scott Koeman in how to pray:

Pray that he would have the peace of Christ with him—especially if he travels outside of his Forward Operating Base (FOB).

Pray that he will depend on the love of God to keep him from bitterness at others (who needlessly make life difficult on their subordinates especially when they aren't the most competent leader).

Pray for his spiritual and emotional resiliency so that regardless of what he faces, he will be able to be effective in his military role and responsibility.

Pray for protection. "As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the Lord surrounds his people both now and forevermore" (Psalm 125:2).

Pray that he will be vigilant if he is called upon to fire upon the enemy. "Praise be to the Lord my Rock, who trains my hands for war, my fingers for battle" (Psalm 144:1).

Pray that the enemy will be turned back. "May all who seek to take my life be put to shame and confusion: may all who desire my ruin be turned back in disgrace" (Psalm 40:14).

Pray that he will be fulfilled in his job. Without purpose, time in the combat zone is extremely long and difficult.

Pray that he will resist lowering himself to lower levels of conversations and instead seek to be an example of goodness and righteousness.

Pray that he finds "good and solid" Christian brothers to have fellowship.

Pray that if he struggles or is discouraged, he will seek out his chaplain for wisdom and encouragement.

Pray for the leadership in Platoons, Companies, Battalions, Brigades . . . depending on what level the soldier works. Leadership can make or break a man.



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We may use verses from the Bible and writings from other sources to realize the purpose of this faith-based Remembrance and Prayer List. The intent is to uplift individuals and to help bring a heartfelt focus to our thoughts.

Please forward the names of individuals to be added or removed from our Remembrance and Prayer List to the email addresses above. We will do our best to distribute revisions via email soon after receipt. Individuals will not be listed unless sufficient identifying information is provided. Please include the name and post, unit, squadron or relation. Please be sure to indicate to which list they should be added. Additional information may be included so that cards can be sent. Information about health conditions may be included when appropriate and approved by the individual listed. We are also adding the names of relatives and members of other departments for whom prayer is requested. Abbreviations for office titles may precede some names. Obituary sites are entered if available. The issue number represents the year and current issue number. A dove , or cross , appearing near a name on the sick list indicates that the person is now deceased. Clickable obituary and info links are provided when practical.

**ISSUE 15-07 UPDATES:** Please submit names for publication. Names were added to the ill and deceased lists; prayers changed and graphics changed. (The names of ill individuals that were listed more than thirty days were removed. Other names will be removed prior to thirty days at your request. Please request re-inclusion if desired.)

"When we engage in the act of prayer itself, there is no preparing, no getting the right words, no posture to take, no mood to assume. We simply do it. Prayer is primal speech. We do not first learn to do it, and then proceed to do it; we do it. In the doing we find out what we are doing, and then deepen and mature in it." - Edmund Clowney