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**N**EW IBERIA, LA - A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated for Dennis Joseph David, 83, on Friday September 7, 2007 at 11:00 AM at St. Peter's Catholic Church in New Iberia, LA with Rev. Gary Schexnayder and Rev. Mr. George Sikes officiating. Lectors will be Kristi Kaye D. Minvielle and Kelly Renee David. Giftbearers will be Hannah, Ethan and Peyton David and Robert Minvielle. Mr. David died on Sunday September 2, 2007 at 2:25 PM at Iberia General Medical Center in New Iberia.

A gathering of family and friends will begin on Thursday September 6, 2007 at 4:00 PM till 9:00 PM and resume on Friday September 7, 2007 at 8:00 AM until service time at David Funeral Home, 1101 Trotter Street, New Iberia, LA 70563.

A rosary will be prayed in the funeral home on Thursday September 6, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

A native of Youngsville, LA, Mr. David was a resident of New Iberia, LA most of his life. He began his career in funeral service in 1943 as a part-time employee at Berges Funeral Home in New Iberia, LA. In 1954 he and his wife purchased half interest in Berges Funeral Home and in 1961 they purchased the remaining half interest. In 1964 he and his wife built a new funeral home on Trotter Street in New Iberia and the company name was changed to David Funeral Home. Together and with the dedicated help of their son Royal, in 1986 they began David Funeral Home of Loreauville, LA in 1987 acquired W. L. Landry Funeral Home of Jeanerette, LA which is now operated as David Funeral Home of Jeanerette, LA and in 1993 built a new funeral home in Broussard, LA. He and his wife owned the funeral home business until their retirement in 1994 at which time they relinquished ownership to their three sons. Before his career in the funeral industry, Mr. David was a fireman for the New Iberia Fire Department and owned an operated a Texaco Service Station on East Main Street in New Iberia. Mr. David was the founder of SLI/USL Bus Line, owner



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and operator of David Bail Bond Company for many years, owner and operator of David Ambulance Service in the mid 70's, was one of several funeral home owners who founded Limousine, Ltd., was an agent for First National Life Insurance Company and also operated an Agency for Fireside Commercial and Mutual Life Insurance Company. Mr. and Mrs. David also owned and operated the Royal Motel in downtown New Iberia from 1972 thru 2005. Mr. David served on the Iberia Parish Policy Jury for 16 years, was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #1208, a 4th Degree Member of the Knights of Columbus Msgr. J.M. Langlois Assembly, was a former member of the New Iberia Lions Club and served as its president, he served on the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Sugar Cane Festival and Fair Association and was a former member of the New Iberia Rotary Club.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Cora Mae Viator David of New Iberia; three sons, Danny J. David, Sr. and his wife Mavis and Richard G. David and his wife Dione both of New Iberia and Royal David and his wife Elizabeth of Mandeville, LA a daughter, Mary D. Peck and her husband Steve of Carencro, LA; ten grandchildren, Danny J. "Sonny" David, Jr. and his wife Angela, Kristi Kaye D. Minvielle and her husband Robert, Kemp J. David and his wife Chanlyn, Kelly Renee David and her fiancé Chris Perkins, Lance M. David, Dexter Dennis David, Mason R. David, Andre M. David, Peyton L. David and Sarah Elizabeth David; five great-grandchildren, Hannah David, Ethan David, Robert Minvielle, Anna Kate Minvielle and Blake Locascio.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alcee and Hilda Fabre David; two brothers, Raoul David and Wilton David; five sisters, Eloise D. Viator, Elise D. Viator, Mable D. Boutte, Agnes D. Viator and Deloria D. Derouen.

Honored to serve as pallbearers are his grandsons, Danny J. "Sonny" David, Jr., Kemp J. David, Lance M. David, Dexter Dennis David, Mason R. David and Andre M. David. David Funeral Home, 1101 Trotter Street, New Iberia, LA 70563 (337) 369-6336 is in charge of arrangements.



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