



Ridgely Thomas Finley, III

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Ridgely Thomas Finley, III died on Sunday, August 26, 2007 at home in Folsom, LA. He was 68 years old. He was born in New Orleans to the late Elinor Gilmore O'Reilly Finley and Ridgely Thomas Finley, Jr. and was a resident of Folsom for the past 32 years.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Carol Corbin Collins Finley; his children: Miriam Ogden Finley of New Orleans, Elinor O'Reilly Finley Dorsey and her husband, Dan Richard Dorsey of Covington, Ridgely Thomas Finley, IV, Matthews Cook Finley, Charlotte Walmsley Finley Viguerie and her husband Pierre Michel Viguerie, Jr., David Wardlaw Moore, III and his wife Amelia Day Moore, all of New Orleans. He is survived by five grandchildren: Edward Spencer Dorsey, Elinor O'Reilly Dorsey, Ridgely Matthews Dorsey, Pierre Michel Viguerie, III and Mary Elizabeth Moore. He is also survived by one sister, Elinor Devereux Finley King of Breckenridge, CO, and her children, Lisa Devereux Leach Goad and Thomas Howard Leach, III; two brothers-in-law, H. Holland Collins, Jr. and Carl H. Collins and his wife Bonnie and their children, Mark and Dotte.

Mr. Finley graduated from De La Salle High School and attended Tulane University, where he was a member of the Kappa Alpha Order. He served in the United States Coast Guard and was self-employed as a manufacturer's representative. He was a parishioner of St. John the Baptist Church in Folsom. He was an avid Tulane Baseball supporter, Dixieland Jazz enthusiast; he loved his family, friends, his property in Folsom known as "Finley Place" and his dogs (always boxers).

Family and friends are invited to attend the Memorial Mass on Wednesday, August 29, 2007 at 12:00 Noon from St. John The Baptist Catholic Church, 11345 St. John's Church Rd., Folsom, LA 70437.

Visitation will begin t 11:00 AM.

Interment will be private at Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian, MS.



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In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Tulane Baseball Program or to the John J. Hainkel, Jr. Scholarship at De La Salle High School.



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CF

Charlotte Finley posted:

hey carol, i just wanted to see if you were receiving these messages.much love,charlotte

July 5 at 7:00 PM

RI

R. Inniss posted:

May our Dear Lord continue to Hold your family in HIS Hand. And comfort you through your cherished memories. We can bear all things through His love and grace. With deepest sympathy The Inniss family

September 14 at 7:00 PM

TL

Tommy Lind posted:

Ray and I were at Tulane together, and although we kind of lost contact, when I saw him a few months ago, it was like a wonderful breath of fresh air - still that winning smile and friendliness that will be missed by all who knew him. God bless Ray and his family.

August 29 at 7:00 PM

LD

Liana Creech Drouilhet posted:

I have been a friend of Charlotte's for many years. My thoughts and prayers go out to your family during this difficult time. Charlotte, please call me for anything. Love, Liana Drouilhet

August 28 at 7:00 PM

DC

Donald O. Collins posted:

I met Ray Ray when he was a KA at Tulane, and he was then and has been a great guy. He will of course be sorely missed by his friends and family.

August 28 at 7:00 PM

LW

Linda Simon Weber posted:

Carol, I'm so sorry to hear of Tom's death. No one knows better than you that every death is a beginning. I hope you still count me as one of your true friends. Mother and I are thinking of you.

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DP

Don And Kay Planchard posted:

I met Ray in the 1950's. For 55 years I have had a wonderful friend that truly lived by the principles taught by his beloved Savior, Jesus Christ. Kindness, caring, friendship and love could be seen through his smiling eyes. Kay and I will always cherish the memories of dominos, dinners, and sharing old stories with Ray and Carol. We love you Ray and we miss you. God Bless You, Don and Kay

August 27 at 7:00 PM

LE

Linda Epstein posted:

My heart goes out to Mimi and her family on the sudden passing of her father. May his spirit live on in those that love him and remember him.

August 27 at 7:00 PM

TM

Terry & Jerry Meyers posted:

Terry and I wish to extend our sympathy to the entire family. our prayers are with you.

August 27 at 7:00 PM

CP

Clyde Patton posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you. Please let me know if there is anything I can do for you. Clyde

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ridgely by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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