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Russell “Rusty” Davenport Morris of Mandeville, LA passed away on Friday, April 2, 2010 after a courageous battle with cancer.

He was the son of the late Robert L. Morris, III and Julia Davenport Morris of New Orleans and Pass Christian, MS. Beloved brother of Melinda Vining (Robert) of Metairie, LA and Robert L. Morris IV of Pass Christian, MS. He is also survived by his nephews Robert P. Vining (Rhonda) of Houston, TX and Paul R. Vining (Tania) of Covington, LA and several nieces and nephews, many beloved friends and a close friend Virginia Norton of Long Beach, MS.

He was born in New Orleans on August 7, 1948, attended New Orleans Academy, graduated from Sewanee Military Academy where he was a class officer, Captain of the track team, All MidSouth Conference Football, earned 8 varsity letters and was named Outstanding Cadet in the Class of 1966. He attended Tulane University and graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi where he was a member of the football team. He served his country during the Vietnam War stationed in South Vietnam with top secret clearance as an intelligence specialist at the Military Advisory Command Headquarters. He received many awards including the Joint Service Commendation medal. After the war, he graduated from the Mississippi College School of Law. He joined the firm of McDavid and Edmonson in Jackson, MS for several years before returning to New Orleans to join the Title Abstract firm of Frawly, Wogan, Miller and Co. where he remained for several years before moving to Newport Beach, CA to work for Buttram Oil and Gas Properties. In 1990, he returned to New Orleans to become Land Manager at LLOG Exploration Co. and settled in Mandeville, LA. In 2000, he became president of Newport Resources, Inc. He was a member of Petroleum Landman’s Association and the American Association of Petroleum Landmen.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the memorial service at



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Christ Episcopal Church, 120 S. New Hampshire St., Covington, LA 70433 on Sunday, April 18 at 2:00 PM.

Interment will be in Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian, MS at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family would prefer donations to be made to your favorite charity.



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MM

Mike Mckeogh posted:

i will have the lasting pleasure of remembering our experiences together at LLOG and his wonderful sense of humor and, most of all, his support and friendship. Thanks Rusty, for all of the great laughs and your keen wit -it was a gift to all your friends.

April 18 at 7:40 AM

GH

Gerry Klebba Stph Hospice posted:

You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. It was so nice to meet such a caring family. You always gave your brother such comfort. Thinking of you Gerry

April 15 at 12:41 PM

MP

Mimi Padgett, Rn posted:

I was one of the nurses who visited with Rusty during his time at home. We had some good conversations about mutual friends at NOA and growing up in New Orleans. It was a pleasure providing care...he will be missed.

April 15 at 12:38 PM

KS

Kathy Scherer Rn posted:

I was one of Mr. Rusty's home health nurses during the last weeks of his life. I enjoyed visiting him and am so sad that he lost his battle. He was always sweet and I think he cared about me as much as I cared about him. He was always so appreciative of the time that I spent with him and I am in turn very appreciative that I got the chance to know him. Thank you, Mrs. Linda for being a great sister and caregiver. You did everything right and Mr. Rusty could not have fought his battle without you. God Bless. Kathy

April 15 at 12:20 PM

CC

Chloe Coombe posted:

It is not very often when a patient truly touches my heart...Rusty and his optimistic fight for his life touched me. I met him on Christmas Eve, admitting to him Home Health. I felt an instant connection to Linda and Rusty. His family and friends are still in my prayers.

April 15 at 12:08 PM



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CS

Cheryl Sides posted:

I live in Beau Chene and work for Coldwell Banker TEC Realtors. I went out several times with Rusty a few years ago. I thought he was the nicest man. I am originally from Kosciusko, Mississippi. He said he dated Dean Fair Jackson when he was in college and spent a New Years Eve in Kosciusko. We just lost touch and I was shocked to see his obituary in the paper. My deepest sympathy to his family.

April 14 at 3:43 AM

DB

Don Burks posted:

Rusty was a good friend for over 20 years. He was never too busy to help a friend. Rusty had an unusual personality with a fair dose of bullshit and quite a bit of humor. He had a sharp wit and was usually good for a laugh. He will leave a hole in a lot of lives that is not likely to be soon filled. I am glad his suffering is over, but I surely will miss him. Still praying for you, Rusty! Try to put in a good word for those of us who need it. Love you, buddy. Don

April 13 at 5:39 PM

MI

Munchen Motors, Inc. posted:

We would like to extend our sympathies to your family at this time. Munchen Motors, Inc.

April 6 at 11:20 AM

WR

Warren Ruello posted:

A lifelong friend and a man of integrity, Rusty will be missed. Sorry to lose him early. My prayers for him will continue for some time. Warren

April 6 at 4:02 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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