



# Robert Merritt Petersen

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## **Robert Merritt Petersen**

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**R**obert Merritt Petersen died peacefully at his home December 1st, at the age of 75.

The son of the late Harluf Chester Petersen and Lucy Merritt Petersen was born in New Orleans.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Elise (Weese) Hamilton Petersen, children Elise Petersen Dunbar (Bradun), Hans Petersen (Michele), grandchildren Megan Dunbar and Alexander Dunbar, his brother James Petersen (Betsy), and nephews William Petersen and Tom Petersen.

Robert graduated from New Orleans Academy and LSU where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He later received a Master's degree in Education from Loyola University. He worked for Jasper Ewing & Sons, D&A Associates, and later formed Petersen Associates, a Publishers' Representative Company serving Louisiana and Mississippi.

Robert was a captain in the Army serving with the 1 / 141st Field Artillery as a Firing Battery Executive Officer and later as Battalion S4 with the 773rd Maintenance Battalion.

He enjoyed both fishing and the beach with friends and family at Perdido Key, Florida. He and friends traveled to the British Virgin Islands and rented both sail and power yachts, and traveled the ICC on Florida's west coast in Grand Banks Trawlers. He and his wife often traveled to Greenville, SC, and Louisville, KY, to visit their daughter, son, and grandchildren. He brightened many people's lives by sharing his exuberant enjoyment of life and was a proud member of the FloraBama Yacht Club.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend memorial services at 11:00 AM on Monday, December 5, 2016 at Christ Episcopal Church, 120 S. New Hampshire St. Covington, LA 70433.

Visitation will at the church on Monday will begin at 10:00 AM.



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The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to St. Tammany Parish Hospital Hospice for all their care.

In lieu of flowers, donations should be made to your favorite charity.



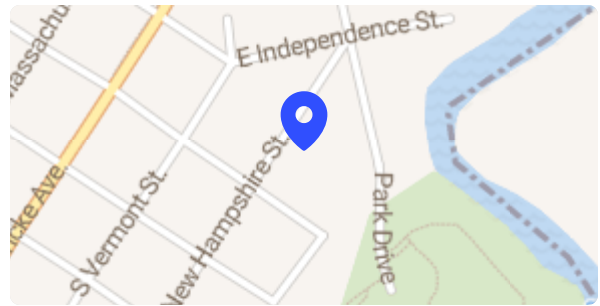
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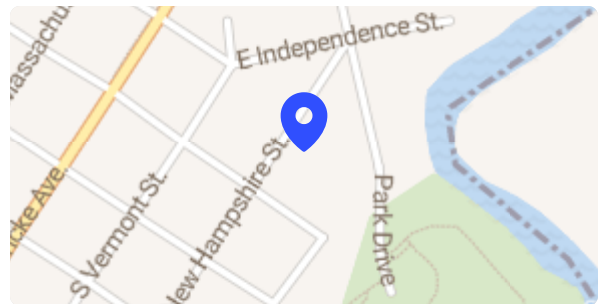
## Visitation

- Monday**, December 5, 2016
- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT
- Christ Episcopal Church**  
120 S. New Hampshire Street, Covington LA 70433



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BM

**Bill Mcguire** posted:

So sorry--many memories from teenage years and later when we both commuted across the Causeway. Robert was a genuinely nice guy.RIP. And,condolences to the family.Bill McGuire Black Mountain,NC

December 5 at 5:36 AM

JT

**Jamie Talley** posted:

Mrs. Petersen, I am so sorry to hear about Mr. Robert. My prayers are with you and your family.Jamie Talley

December 2 at 9:20 PM

JS

**J W Seibert Iii** posted:

I'm so sorry about Robert. He and I were pledge brothers at LSU, and I had not seen him for many years. We did see each other at C B Forgotston's funeral earlier this year, and it was great to renew our friendship.Please accept my sympathy for your loss.J W Seibert IIINatchez, Ms

December 2 at 1:08 PM

MB

**Mr And Mrs John Bolles** posted:

Weesie, Johnny and I are so sorry for your loss. We are thinking of you and the family. Boody and Johnny Bolles

December 2 at 10:04 AM

CS

**Connie Hulsey- Shepherd** posted:

Wonderful man,blessed to have had the Peterson family to touch my life. My crescent city pal. God bless,Connie H. Shepherd

December 2 at 7:05 AM



**Susan Knight** lit a candle in honor of Robert .

A wonderful neighbor and man. The Culbertson family.

December 2 at 3:59 AM





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**Kim Peters** posted:

I am so sorry to hear of Robert's passing. He was a wonderful friend. I will always cherish the moments I shared with him. I feel so fortunate that I was able to visit with him a couple of weeks ago.  
RIP Robert Love, Kim Peters

December 1 at 9:16 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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