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Calvin August Klein passed away on Wednesday October 27, 2021 at the age of 72. Calvin was the beloved husband of Deborah Thibodeaux Klein for 45 years. He was the beloved father of Shannon K. Bordes (David Bordes, Jr.), Kristen K. Chabreck (Cameron) and Calvin A. Klein, II (Nicholle), Calvin is also survived by his brother Keith A. Klein. Calvin was survived by 7 grandchildren: David, Chloe, Cameron, Cooper, Brody, Callie and Emry. He was preceded in death by his parents, Wallace Klein and Marion Theresa Delaune Klein.

Calvin “Coach Cal” Klein was a New Orleans native that attended Redemptorist High School where he created lifelong friendships. Calvin graduated from Nichols State University with his bachelor’s in business administration and went on to become the successful owner of Calvin Klein Mobile Homes, a local landmark in Covington for 34 years. He served as the Commissioner and was a member of the Board of Directors for the Louisiana Manufacturing Housing Association for 3 governors’ terms. In his spare time, Calvin dedicated his talents to coaching youth sports at Pelican Park. He enjoyed developing athletes’ skills, as well as, fostering relationships and mentoring those he coached. He was inducted into the Pelican Park Coaches Hall of Fame in 2016. Calvin was also a health-conscious fitness enthusiast that spent 6 days a week in the gym. He even competed in body building competitions before developing ALS. Calvin was blessed with vocal talent and had a passion for singing. He sang with the St. Timothy choir and local vocal ensemble. On Sundays, Calvin could be found cheering on his favorite NFL team, the New Orleans Saints, from his seat in the Super Dome or his sofa at home. Those who knew him well, regard Calvin as a friendly, generous, die-hard Saints and LSU baseball fan, as well as an avid supporter of Team Gleason. In his later years, Calvin could be found sporting an “ALS Sucks” pin on his lapel to help open the conversation about his disability and bring awareness to ALS. Most importantly, Calvin was a devoted family man and faithful follower of Jesus Christ.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Calvin’s memory to Team Gleason Foundation, via their website at teamgleason.org or by mail at Team Gleason Foundation, PO Box 24493, New Orleans, LA 70184.



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Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Funeral Services at St. Timothy United Methodist Church, 335 Asbury Drive, Mandeville, LA 70471 on Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 5:00 PM with visitation beginning at 4:00 PM until service time. A Celebration of Life will be held at the Fleur-de-lis Center, 1645 N. Causeway Blvd, Mandeville, LA 7471 immediately following the service. Interment will be in Pinecrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 2280 West 21st Avenue Covington, LA 70433 at a later date.

E.J. Fielding Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements. Please sign the E.J. Fielding Funeral Home online Guest Book at www.ejfieldingfh.com.



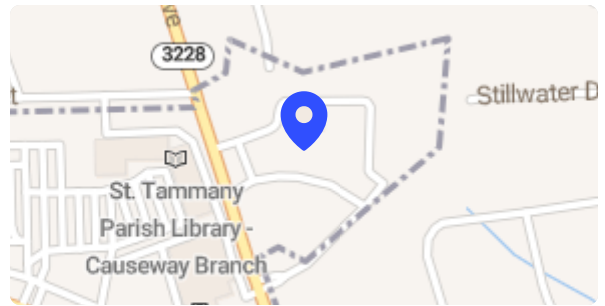
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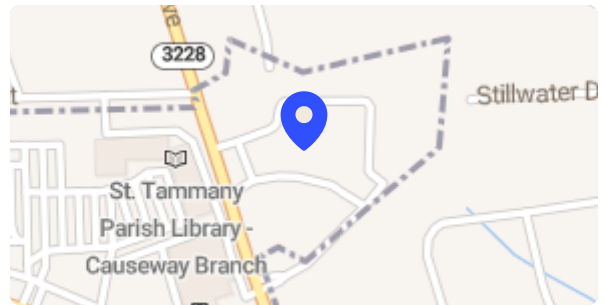
Visitation

- Tuesday**, November 9, 2021
- 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM CT
- St. Timothy on the Northshore**
335 Asbury Dr., Mandeville LA 70471



Funeral Service

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MA

Maurice Alvarado lit a candle in honor of Calvin.

Sorry, I am just seeing this and have thought of you often. Thank you so much for your friendship for over 40 years. Love and miss you my friend. To your wife and family you were always a blessing.



June 19 at 5:41 PM

MM

Michael A Marasco posted:

Over 50 years of memories with Calvin. You were always like a brother. Love, Michael

November 9 at 9:19 AM

TC

Tom Cressionnie posted:

Calvin and I grew up in the same uptown neighborhood, before I moved to NO East. Unfortunately a prior commitment will prevent Mary Lipps and myself from attending the services. Deepest condolences. Tom Cressionnie

November 9 at 4:07 AM



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Roger P. Pecoraro posted:

I met Calvin in February 2019. We became fast friends right away. Calvin was always thinking of others even during the darkest hours of his illness. Calvin had a prayer list...a written list he consulted and used every night before he went to sleep. Calvin told me his prayers took at least 15 minutes every evening. I was on that list, and there's a good chance that someone reading this right now was on that list...for certain if Calvin told you he was praying for you. During our time together, I told Calvin about two of my friends who were having problems. The first time this happened, Calvin made it clear that he was counting on me to tell that person he was praying for him. A few days later and before my next visit with Calvin, he texted me: "Did you tell so-and-so I'm praying for him?" That defines Calvin. Our friend Calvin is the most courageous, fearless, and faithful man I've ever known. His faith was genuine and pure; his fearlessness was nurtured and cultivated in that steadfast faith. He believed in miracles as I do, and we prayed together for his healing. Calvin and I agreed that people who don't expect or believe in miracles are really missing out...simply because they won't recognize a miracle when and if it happens. Be assured that Calvin's faith did not diminish as his illness grew more severe...it grew stronger. Shortly before the Apostle Paul was martyred in Rome, he wrote one of his last epistles from prison to his friend Timothy. Second Timothy gives us a wonderful picture of Paul: brave, relentless in his faith, and always thinking about, encouraging, and praying for the ones he loved. Paul told Timothy: "...the time for my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." (2 Timothy 4: 6-7) Calvin was also a fighter; he always finished what he started and did what he said he would do; and he was faithful to the moment he took his last breath and awakened in his new home in heaven.

November 4 at 11:53 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Klein family.



November 8 at 11:50 AM



Steve Hudson posted:

Being absent from his body means that he is present with his Lord (2Cor 5:8). Calvin, you are now free from the body that bound you to the wheelchair - and you are now able to move in ways that we who are bound to this earth can only envy. I remember the mornings when we would meet for Bible study. Thank you for sharing your faith with so many. Save a place for me at the Great Table set for The Wedding Feast to come. Maranatha - Come, Lord Jesus!

November 7 at 9:29 AM



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Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Klein family.



November 6 at 2:35 PM



Coach Larry posted:

Can't help thinking about "the coach". I am proud to have been a friend and I will always have fond memories of him. I know he is in heaven and my prayers go out to his family.

November 5 at 1:01 PM



Genie Brabham posted:

Calvin was a amazing husband, father and coach he will be dearly missed by the whole community! God took another GREAT ANGEL R.I.P. 🙏🙏🙏 Genie & Matthew Brabham

November 4 at 6:31 PM



The Catalano'S posted:

Coach Calvin never forgot where he came from and was always there to support youth sports. It was my pleasure watching Coach Calvin be a true mentor to so many kids including my boys. You will be greatly missed my Friend but the Hearts you touched on this earth, assure you will NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. RIP my Friend

November 4 at 4:49 PM



Paul posted:

We are so sorry for the loss of a great man. We extend our condolences to Calvin's family. He was a kind and loving man. He will be forever missed by many. Mr. & Mrs. Paul Gendron

November 4 at 12:01 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

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



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