



# John David Orazio Jr.

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**J**ohn David Orazio Jr., a proud veteran of the United States Army, passed away on Monday, July 3, 2023.

Son of the late John David Orazio Sr. and Doris Rogers Orazio. John was born January 30, 1951 in New Orleans and attended Warren Easton High School where he played football and ran track. He was a resident of Madisonville, Louisiana.

At the age of 20, John enlisted in the United States Army. He served as a Helicopter Door Gunner and Crew Chief in the 101st Airborne Division. For his service, he was awarded the Purple Heart, Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Service Stars, Expert Badge M-16, and Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

After leaving the army, John worked as a helicopter mechanic and machinist. He later worked for Chevron USA, as an aircraft and offshore diesel mechanic for many years before retiring in 1998.

John is survived by his wife of 47 years, Karen Forestier Orazio, his children Susan Regusa Bowers, Anthony David Orazio, Sunnie Ann Orazio and her husband Brian Johnson. His grandchildren, Kayli Orazio, John Bradley Bowers, David Bowers and Theo Johnson. His siblings, Norvel William Orazio, Pamela Sue Orazio, Paula Louise Orazio Reed, and Glen Craig Orazio. As well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

His loved ones will remember him as a great husband, father, uncle, grandfather, and the patriarch of the family. John was a dog lover, gun expert, hunter, bird and deer feeder, YouTube commentator, amateur painter and investigator of unsolved mysteries. He was awarded the Greatest Brother Ever title and along with his friend Smitty, ended the Vietnam Conflict.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral services at E. J. Fielding Funeral Home, 2260 W 21st Avenue, Covington Louisiana on Saturday, July 8, 2023,



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at 2:00 PM with visitation on Saturday beginning at 12:00 noon. Interment will follow in Theodore Dendinger Cemetery.



# Events

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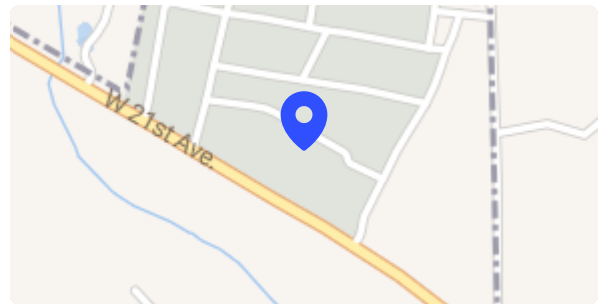
## Visitation

 **Saturday**, July 8, 2023

 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT

 **E.J. Fielding Funeral Home & Cremation Services**

2260 W 21st Ave, Covington LA 70433



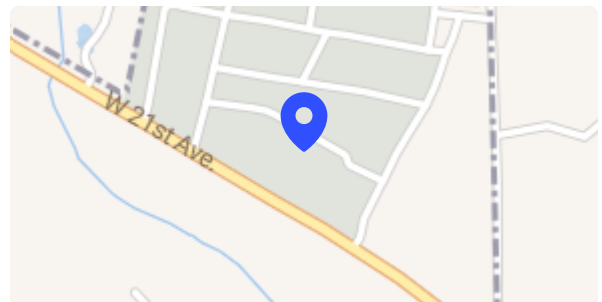
## Funeral Service

 **Saturday**, July 8, 2023

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## Cemetery Details

 **Theodore Dendinger Cemetery**

Dendinger M and Hwy 21, Madisonville LA 70447





# Tribute Wall

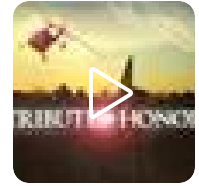
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**E.J. Fielding Funeral Home & Cremation Services** shared a **Tribute Video**.

July 7 at 11:49 AM



**Mandy L.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of John.

July 6 at 2:47 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Lily and Rose Tribute Spray to the Orazio family.

July 6 at 10:00 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Lily and Rose Tribute Spray to the Orazio family.

July 6 at 9:53 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Orazio family.

July 6 at 7:13 AM



**Pam And Luke** sent a Sacred Duty Spray to the Orazio family.

July 5 at 2:39 PM





## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Orazio family.

July 5 at 1:16 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Orazio family.

July 5 at 11:37 AM



**Rick Soldinie** posted:

John was such a good loving man loyal friend. One thing of many I will never forget was after hurricane Katrina we were flooded with 9 foot of water in our home. John was the first one to show up at our house to help. He came over with a tool trailer loaded down with every type of tool needed to rebuild our home including a pressure washer and a lawn mower and chainsaw. He also came back with family and friends and food to replace the entire home with Sheetrock. John also took a ride trip with me to attend our eldest son graduation from US Army Special Forces Green Beret Academy. John was so proud and loved being up there with all the military men. We stayed several days. John was just such an awesome man and person and I will miss him always we all will.

July 5 at 9:24 AM



**Paula Orazio-Reed** July 6 at 4:01 AM

True words written. Thank you Ricky. Love hearing these stories about my brother. Thank you again.



**Tom Smith "Smitty"** sent a virtual gift in honor of John.

July 5 at 9:18 AM





## Media

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July 7 at 11:49 AM



**PR**

**Paula Orazio-Reed** July 11 at 4:16 AM

I totally agree with you Cindy Townsend. I could not stop crying the whole way thru it. Brother John, was a great brother, an aggravating husband (but Karen loved him very much) and most of all he would do anything for his children. Gonna miss my brother very much and so will a lot of other people.

**CT**

**Cindy Townsend** July 7 at 10:59 PM

Absolutely breathtaking video of a life well lived!



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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