



# Maurice Joseph Duplantis III

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**M**aurice Joseph Duplantis, III, passed away on Saturday, March 23, 2024, after a brief diagnosis of Stage 4 cancer. Maury was born on March 19, 1955, in New Orleans, LA, to Maurice Joseph Duplantis, Jr., MD, and Deborah Austin Duplantis. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Andre' D. Skiba. He is survived by his wife of 24 years Karen Boyer Duplantis, and his sons Reese, Hal and Karl Duplantis. He is also survived by his sister Suzanne D. Fortier-Hodge. Maury was a lifelong Covington resident and a St. Paul's grad.

Maury graduated from Ole Miss with a degree in microbiology. He subsequently was employed for 38 years at the Tulane National Primate Research Center as a biologist and instructor. He loved the Center and the people who worked with him there. At the age of 69, when others were retiring, he was considering working a part-time, three-day schedule.

Anyone who knew Maury would acknowledge his kindness, but also his absolute joie de vivre. He was fun and fun-loving, always quick with a comment or comical remark. He was a joy to be around and will be missed by all those who knew him, but especially his close-knit group of friends who came to the house regularly for football games and other events. Calling Maury the "Life of the Party" would not be an overstatement.

When able, please make a toast to Maury and have an oyster shooter or two. He would be pleased to know that the traditions he enjoyed here will be celebrated into the future. He will be forever loved and never forgotten. Enjoy your time in heaven, Maury. We will see you there one day.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in memory of Mr. Duplantis may be made to the Northshore Humane Society [www.northshorehumane.org](http://www.northshorehumane.org).

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the memorial services at E. J. Fielding Funeral Home, 2260 W 21st Avenue, Covington LA 70433 on Saturday, March 30, 2024, at 2:00 PM with



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visitation on Saturday beginning at 12:00 noon.

The Duplantis family invites you to share thoughts, fondest memories, and condolences online at E. J. Fielding Funeral Home Guest Book at [www.ejfieldingfh.com](http://www.ejfieldingfh.com).





# Events

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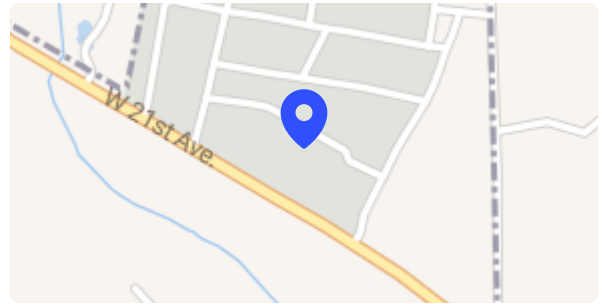
## Gathering

 **Saturday**, March 30, 2024


 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT

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

2260 W 21st Ave, Covington LA 70433



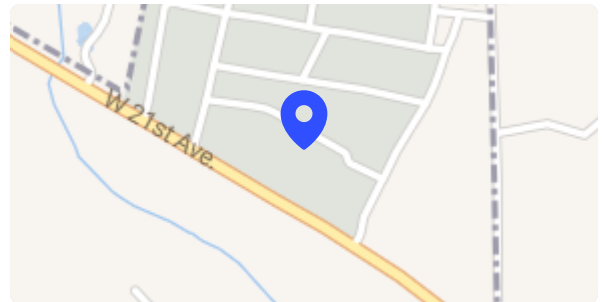
## Memorial Service

 **Saturday**, March 30, 2024

 2:00 PM CT

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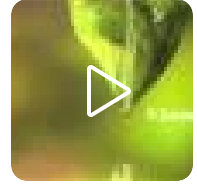
# Tribute Wall

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



March 28 at 1:21 PM



**Beth Guilbeau Tillotson** posted:

We are so sorry to hear of Maury's passing. I have many fond memories of him from our childhood and know he was a very sweet man. Karen, Susie, we are all sending love and prayers for all of your family. Beth Guilbeau Tillotson

March 31 at 12:26 PM



**The Nuss Family** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Duplantis family.



March 29 at 6:24 PM



**The Nuss Family** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Maurice.



March 29 at 6:24 PM



**Nicole Dockrey** posted:

I worked with Maury as an intern at the TRPRC in 1993 and have thought of him fondly ever since. He was so warm, friendly, genuine. My thoughts are with your family. Hugs to you.

March 29 at 4:59 PM



**Nik Hagoort** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Duplantis family.



March 29 at 10:40 AM



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**Nik Hagoort** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Maurice.



March 29 at 10:40 AM



**Dory Lowe** posted:

We are deeply saddened at the loss of Maury. He was such a great friend and Bunco buddy. He loved those Saints games and was always such a blast at every event. I can hear his laugh now. I know heaven has gained an angel, but we will miss having him here. Karen — you and the boys (young men) and entire family are in our thoughts and prayers. We feel very blessed that we had the privilege to know Maury.

March 29 at 4:07 AM



**Reeses, Montalvos, & Gilder Families** sent a Magnificent Life Spray to the Duplantis family.



March 28 at 3:46 PM



**Amir Ardeshir** posted:

I am saddened by Maury's passing. In the short time I knew him at TNPRC, I was touched by his friendly demeanor and positive energy. My condolences to his loved ones. He will be missed.

March 28 at 6:12 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Duplantis family.



March 27 at 4:10 PM



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**Eileen Deharo** posted:

I started at the Primate Center 2 months after Maury was hired. We worked in the Microbiology Department until he transferred. We stayed friends throughout. He used to call me "Mom". He will be sorely missed. Condolences to the entire family.

March 27 at 1:29 PM

NT

**Nancy T** lit a candle in honor of Maurice.



March 27 at 5:52 AM

CA

**Celeste Anding** posted:

Karen and family - please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. May his memory live forever in your hearts. St. Mary's Dominican Alumnae Association

March 27 at 1:00 AM

KP

**Keith Piner** posted:

When I think of Maury, I think about his cherished jukebox, a burn incident with a peep, and spending many Sundays watching Saints. His laugh was contagious, and he always just so much fun to be around. Until we meet again, you will truly be missed. Prayers Karen, Reese, Hal, and Karl!

March 26 at 5:18 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Days of Sunshine Bouquet to the Duplantis family.



March 26 at 3:40 PM



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**Marion Smith** posted:

I have known Maury since the day I was born, he lit up every room he walked into, how lucky am I to have known such a wonderful, fun loving man...he will definitely be missed, the world is a different place without him in it, thank you Maury for all the years of support and being like my second Dad, love you always, Marion xoxo

March 26 at 3:37 PM



**Jorge Enrique Valencia** posted:

Que Dios lo tenga en su Gloria. Amen buen amigo

March 26 at 2:39 PM



**Beverley Zanchi** posted:

I am shocked and so sad to hear of Maury's passing. Seeing him come into the salon, always with a broad smile and a wisecrack was guaranteed to make our day - we all loved him and the whole Boyer/Dupleisis family. Sending huge amounts of love and prayers to Karen and his boys!

March 26 at 2:35 PM



**Pam Merkin** posted:

I knew Maury back in 1973. We dated for a year as freshman at LSU. Met at St. Tammany Parish Hospital summer of 1973. So sorry to hear of his passing. God bless his family.

March 26 at 1:50 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Days of Sunshine Bouquet to the Duplantis family.



March 26 at 1:22 PM



**Bo Maddie And Andie Lindsey** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Maurice.



March 26 at 1:22 PM



# Media

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March 28 at 1:21 PM





## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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