



Michel Emile Lanaux Sr.

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Michel Emile Lanaux Sr. 86 of Abita Springs passed away peacefully at his home on Friday October 24, 2025 at 2:22 PM.

He was husband of the late Mary Sue Cairns Lanaux and son of Emile Joseph Lanaux and Nina Martin Williams. He is survived by his sister Alice L. Rainold and two stepsisters Ann Williams and Carol Williams. He is also survived by his children Susan Lanaux Snyder (Charles) of Des Moines, Iowa, Michel E. Lanaux, Jr. (Brenda) of Abita Springs, and Thomas B. Lanaux (Monica) of Austin, Texas as well as 8 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

He was born in New Orleans, Louisiana to Emile Joseph Lanaux and Nina Martin Williams.

He went to St. Joseph Abbey School and De La Salle high school. He attended Tulane University where he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Southwest Louisiana (ULL) in Lafayette.

He served in the Louisiana Army National Guard for 8 years. On his retirement from the military, he obtained the rank of Sergeant First Class.

Michel's career began at Central Gulf Steamship, in New Orleans, where he was general manager of the Insurance Claims Department. He continued a varied maritime career in California, at Retla Steamship Co and then established Lamorte Burns and Co. in New Orleans, as Vice President. He retired after 30 years in the insurance business.

A long time Catholic and member of the Society of St. Vincent Depaul, Michel also served as President of the Conference at Our Lady of the Lake Church in Mandeville. In addition, he served for many years on the Board of Ozanam Inn as the Secretary and was a former member of the Pickwick Club and several carnival organizations.



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A memorial service will be held at E. J. Fielding Funeral home at 2260 W. 21st Ave. Covington, Louisiana 70433 on Friday November 7, 2025 at 1:00PM. A private ceremony will follow at St. Joseph's Abbey where he will be put to rest alongside his wife Mary Sue Lanaux.



Events

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Memorial Service

 **Friday**, November 7, 2025

 1:00 PM CT

 **E.J. Fielding Funeral Home & Cremation Services**
2260 W 21st Ave, Covington LA 70433





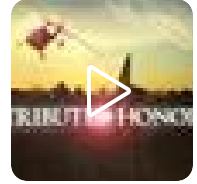
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E.J. Fielding Funeral Home & Cremation Services shared a **Tribute Video**.



October 31 at 3:51 PM



Thomas Cairns posted:

Michel was the greatest brother-in-law a person could wish for, a great family man and most of all a great friend to many. I am sure that he made my sister, Mary Sue, the happiest bride on earth when they married. I have many fond memories of the times that Mike and I and our families spent together. We all extend our deepest condolences. Love, Tom, Valerie, Kristin and Timothy

November 7 at 10:38 AM



Love, Tom, Valerie, Kristin And Timothy sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Lanaux family.



November 4 at 9:07 PM



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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