

Howard Gayle Burdette

Howard (Gayle) Burdette, a native of Jackson Mississippi, passed away peacefully on the morning of October 27th. Gayle was a longtime factory manager in the textile industry. He managed factories in Louisiana, Mississippi, Virginia, Tennessee, and Alabama. He eventually moved back to Louisiana and went into the construction industry with his brother, Bruce. He became a project manager and was responsible for the construction of many of the buildings in the Industriplex. Additionally, Gayle was a veteran. He trained German Shepards and was stationed in Morrocco. Gayle is survived by his wife of 62 years, Jerry Burdette of Baton Rouge, a son and daughter-in-law, Todd and Monique Burdette of League City, Texas, a daughter, Tammy Pierce of Baton Rouge; a sister, Kay Kelley and husband Terry Kelley of Galvez, La., grandchildren, Simone (Burdette) Aberly and husband Chris Aberly of League City, Texas; Ashleigh Burdette and her fiancé, Stephen Kaufman of Prairieville, La., Joseph Pierce, along with his girlfriend Amanda Murray and daughter Chloe of Baton Rouge La., and Joshua Pierce and his wife Jennifer of Baton Rouge, La.; great-grandchildren Charly Kate and Luke Aberly of League City, Texas, and nephews Randy and Wade Gonzales and Travis Kelley. Gayle was preceded in death by his parents, Howard K. Burdette and Webbie Burdette, his brother Bruce Burdette and his sister Joan Gonzales. A special thank you to the staff at the Center Point Healthcare and Rehabilitation facility in Baton Rouge, La.