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**R**obert J. Berthelot Sr., of Huntersville, passed peacefully on March 16th, 2015 at the Levine & Dickson Hospice House in Huntersville, NC. Bob was born at Baptist hospital in New Orleans, LA on October 13, 1942 to Hilda A. Seidel-Berthelot and Frank D. Berthelot. He was raised in Algiers Point on Bermuda Street.

Throughout his life, he lived with his family in New Orleans, Metairie, Kenner, Arabi, Hammond, Avondale and finally with his son, Matthew, in Huntersville, NC.

Bob was the devoted husband of Edith Goldthwaite Berthelot for the last 30 years. He loved her 5 children and 10 grandchildren very much. Bob was previously the faithful husband of 12 years to the late Melody Margaret Lala and loving father of Robert J. Berthelot, Jr. (Melissa), Matthew J. Berthelot (Kelly) and Christine Berthelot Holmes (Will), grandfather of Mitchell J. Berthelot, Danielle M. Berthelot, Sabreena G. Holmes, Trinity A. Holmes, and Serena V. Holmes. He is survived by his eldest brother Frank G. Berthelot (87) and preceded in death by his sister Gladys A. Williams and brother Joseph A. Berthelot.

Mr. Berthelot graduated Holy Name of Mary grammar school, St. Aloysius High, and Loyola University. A career accountant, Bob served 19 years in the Louisiana Air National Guard, worked for Dole Pineapple, Standard Fruit and retired from Freeport Sulfur (McMoRan) in New Orleans. In retirement, he enjoyed working part-time at Yogi Berra's Jellystone Park in Robert, LA. He remained a faithful Catholic his entire life and an unselfish man of his word. He enjoyed cooking, bridge (cards), and always made time for his family and loved ones.

Bob was diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease) in late 2013. By December 2013, he was on ventilator support and under the constant care of his daughter Christine and family. In late May 2014, he moved to Charlotte, NC to be cared for by his son Matthew's family and to begin a process of slowly surrendering to ALS. Our family would like to thank Ann Gillette, Kelly Berthelot, Georgia Marnell, Will Holmes, Gordon Howe, Danny Young and Kathy Young whose selfless work assisting with Bob's care will always be cherished.



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Bob was a kind man that will be greatly missed. Friends and family are invited to attend the mass in his honor on March 28th at 11:00 am, St. Albert Church, Hammond, Louisiana 409 W. Dakota St. 70401. Family visitation will begin at 9:00 AM. In lieu of flowers, please consider supporting the ALS Ride for Life or ALS Guardian Angels charities. Both of these lesser known charities helped our family significantly in our time of need. [www.alsrideforlife.org](http://www.alsrideforlife.org) and [www.alsguardianangels.com](http://www.alsguardianangels.com)

James Funeral Home is serving the Berthelot family and online condolences can be made at [www.jamesfuneralhomeLKN.com](http://www.jamesfuneralhomeLKN.com)



## Tribute Wall

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DD

**Deborah And Joe Doggette** posted:

We were blessed to have known Bob for almost 30 years. We shared many a joyous Holiday, vacations and game playing with him and my sister Edith, his beloved wife. He was an amazing cook and made the best gumbo (just like my mother used to make) and spoiled me with his cauliflower dishes which I loved. I hated to see him suffer so much with that ALS and knowing how much he loved to cook and eat broke my heart. Bob, you were an inspiration to all of us that you leave behind. You showed true courage and grace and faith throughout your ordeal here on Earth. We are better people for having known you and been a part of your life too. You will always be missed and remembered. We love you Bob. Deborah and Joe Doggette

March 19 at 5:05 PM

BB

**Bobby Berthelot Jr.** posted:

I remember run & jump hugs. I remember bedtime bible stories. I remember bacon & butter sandwiches and omelets. I remember church every Sunday and lunch with Dearie. I remember flying kites, throwing frisbee, & catching fish. I remember feeding the ducks at City Park. I remember the Y-Indian guides. PALS FOREVER. I remember painting trim work together. I remember you ALWAYS having time for me. I could spend my entire life trying to live by the example you set as a father and I would always be reaching higher. We all know you did your best and it was way better than good enough. I can't possibly express my appreciation and gratitude enough. What comes next is life and renewal. We will surely see you again. A new life has waited for you long enough. The trials of Job will prepare a good man for heaven. I love you and will live every remaining day I have trying to live by the wonderful example you set. Love BOBBY.

March 19 at 1:58 PM

MD

**Maris Dean** posted:

To the Family of Bob Berthelot, I send deepest sympathy. Just knowing Bob was a Blessing. He was very dedicated to his Family. I will always remember him at our Holiday functions .....& his famous Gumbo! Forever an Angel, watching over us all.

March 18 at 9:51 AM

VD

**Vanessa Dean** posted:

I loved him very much he wasn't just a stepdad he was a friend to me !! anytime I needed him he was always there for us !! I will always remember all the great memories we have of him now we have a true angel watching over us !!!! we love you forever !!

March 18 at 4:38 AM



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**Valerie Heintz** posted:

Dear Mom, Matt, Christine, Bobby ,I just wanted to say how sorry I am for your loss and mine. He is an angel now. He will be a great one, too. He was a great step father even though I don't consider him as my step father he was just my other Dad. I will miss him dearly and will pray to him often for strength and guidance.LoveValerie

March 17 at 3:28 PM



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