

Floyd John Schexnayder, Sr. September 2, 1928 - March 2, 2017 "Go Rest High On That Mountain"

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Wisdom 3:1-9

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 23

Second Reading II Corinthians 4:14-5:1

The Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

### HOMILY

"Amazing Grace"

Prayers of the Faithful

Response: "Lord, hear our prayer"

#### **CLOSING PRAYER**

PRESIDER: Saints of God, come to his aid! Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord!

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

- PRESIDER: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself; and may the angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.
- ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.
- PRESIDER: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

"Daddy's Hands"



Floyd John Schexnayder Sr., 88, of Port Arthur, died March 2, 2017. He was diagnosed with metastatic melanoma cancer in August. Floyd was born on September 2, 1928, in Franklin, Louisiana, to Lydia Broussard Schexnayder and Emile Schexnayder.

Floyd moved to Port Arthur in 1941, where he attended Thomas Jefferson High School. He changed his birth

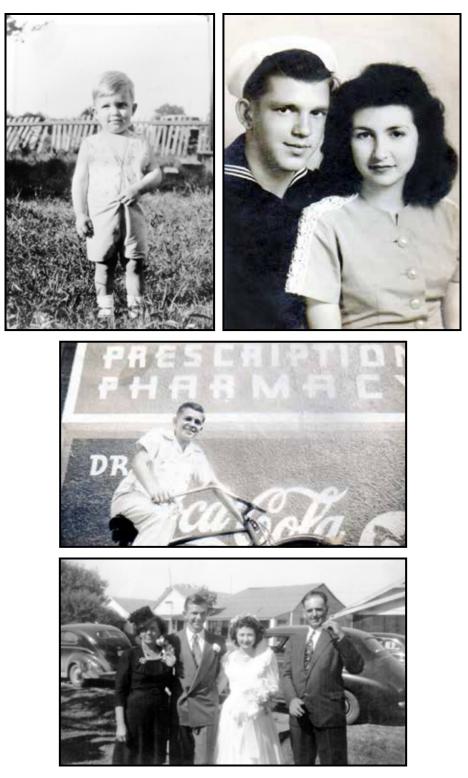
certificate and volunteered at age 16 for the United States Navy. This led to him serving during World War II in the Pacific Theater aboard the USS Terror and USS Steady. Floyd completed a millman apprenticeship in 1950 and started building his first home at 19 years old. He worked for the Kansas City Southern Railroad from 1951-1989 as switchman and yardmaster. He loved woodworking in his backyard shop and enjoyed helping family and friends with building projects. Floyd built several homes, boats and his own apartment complex in Groves.

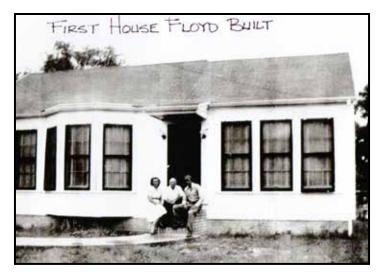
He was lifelong Catholic and a member of St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church in Port Arthur. He was married to his beloved Lilly Thibodeaux Schexnayder for 65 years until her death in 2011. He had a passion for learning and loved to travel especially in the western United States and Canada. He and Lilly also took cruises to Alaska, Scandinavia, Russia, the Caribbean and Panama. He was excited about deer hunting, whether with friends in Colorado or with family in the Hill Country.

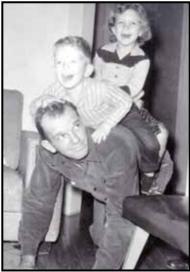
Survivors include his daughter, Belinda Gaudet and husband, Larry, of Southlake; sons, Eric Schexnayder and wife, Kathey, of Port Neches; Kurt Schexnayder and wife, Karen, of Nederland; and Floyd Schexnayder Jr. and wife, Connie, of North Richland Hills; grandchildren, Lance Schexnayder, Lauren Schexnayder, Jason Schexnayder, Jenna Cooley, Stefanie Wright, Andy Snider, Steven Schexnayder, Scott Gaudet and Shawn Gaudet; 11 great grandchildren; and sisters, Lois Loupe of Nederland and Barbara Wiggins of Alexandria, Louisiana.

He was preceded in death by parents; and brothers, Vernon Schexnayder of Groves and Kenneth Schexnayder of San Leandro, California.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to all who came to visit with Floyd during his illnesses.









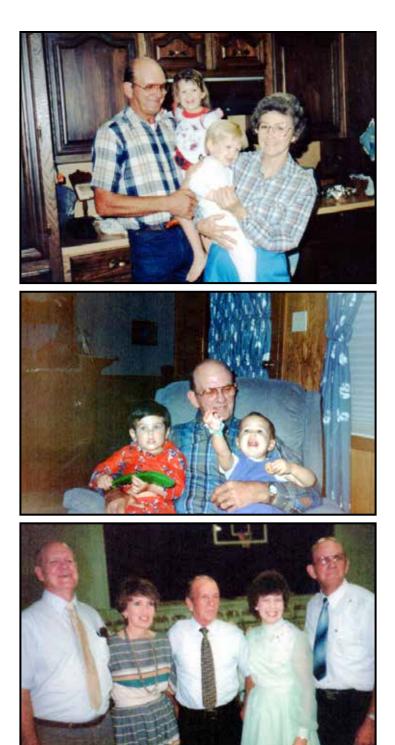






























# UNCLE FLOYD

There is a man who worked hard all his life. He had many many friends from all the help he gave outright.

He was a soldier in the war and stands tall in our eyes. For his love of his country is a bountiful pride.

He loves to tell stories when we all visit. They are his life and lessons a blessing so listen.

His love from all his help given we hold special in our minds. For he always gave from his heart with his love and his time.

All his help and gifts of time we will always hold dear. For he is in our memory and his Spirit will always remain near.

Thank you for all you are and all you've done. We love you.

Valerie and Richard

Funeral Service Tuesday, March 7, 2017 10:30 a.m. Broussard's Chapel Nederland, Texas Reverend Rodel Faller

> Pallbearers Scott Gaudet

Shawn Gaudet Jon Giles Jason Schexnayder Lance Schexnayder Steven Schexnayder Andy Snider Matt Wright

Honorary Pallbearers Dudley J. LeBlanc (Cousin) Paul Provost (Friend)

Interment Greenlawn Memorial Park Groves, Texas

> Military Honors by United States Navy

Memorial Contributions National Museum of the Pacific War 340 E. Main Street Fredericksburg, Texas 78624

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church 3706 Woodrow Port Arthur, Texas 77642



Please sign Mr. Schexnayder's guest book and share your memories at www.broussards1889.com