



## Alfred "Corky" Earl Pusey

October 5, 1945 - November 21, 2023

Alfred Earl Pusey (Corky), age 78, passed away November 21, 2023 at the New Orleans VA Medical Center in New Orleans, LA. He was born October 5, 1945, in Louisville, Kentucky. Alfred was the son of the late Daniel R. Pusey and Dora E. Kendall, step-son of Virgil L. Kendall. At a young age, he moved to Carroll County, Kentucky where he attended Carroll Co. High School. He often talked about his time playing football there and his love for the game.

After High School, he married the love of his life and High School sweetheart, Charlotte A. Chandler.

He joined the Army National Guard and went on to join the Army as an active duty soldier holding the rank of SP5. He held various positions within his time in the Army such as MP and Drill Sargent but one of his biggest accomplishments in the latter years of service, was becoming a nurse at Ft Sam Houston, Texas. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Korean Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Expert Qualification Badge (Rifle M-14), and Sharpshooter Qualification Badge (Rifle M-1). Each of these represents his dedication and commitment to his country.

After leaving the military, Alfred worked for a short period of time as an Emergency Room nurse at Charity Hospital in New Orleans, LA and River Parishes Hospital in Laplace, LA. He was also a plant nurse at Good Hope

Refinery in Norco, LA.

During this time, Alfred continued his education and received an associate degree in Occupational Safety from Delgado Community College in New Orleans, LA.

Although he was proud of his nursing career, it soon became evident to Alfred that he needed to pursue a more lucrative avenue to provide for his family. He jumped head first into the role of Frame Carpenter. It was not long before he had his own crew. In 1986, He moved from Louisiana to Florida, continuing to build homes and a wonderful life. As time progressed, he eventually took a position as a construction superintendent with Tomco Construction.

Upon retiring, Alfred and his wife, Charlotte, moved to Albany, Georgia where they lived until August of 2023. They were able to watch their grandchildren grow up, became members of the Porterfield Methodist Church and made lasting friendships with their neighbors.

During his lifetime, Alfred was known for his Patriotism and love of family. He was a man who stood firm in his convictions. He made no apologies for his views on certain things but was willing to hear you out if you were able to present him with an educated and logical argument. He actually loved a good debate. He loved to cook and bake pies. He loved old country music but to our surprise, recently became a fan of some songs by Jelly Roll. Need a Favor, in particular. This proved his willingness to open himself up to new things, even at his age. His family was his most treasured passion. Little did he know, all those years ago that he would build such a big and diverse family who all loved him with unwavering devotion. He taught us all the true meaning of courage and determination. He leaves behind a legacy and a lifetime of memories that will forever be in our hearts.

He was preceded in death by his brother: Paul Thomas Pusey, sister: Delania L. Kendall and great grandson: Mason J. Pusey

He was survived by his wife of 60 years, Charlotte A. Pusey (Chandler), now living in Laplace, LA and three daughters, Gwendolyn M. Smith (Tracy Smith) of Laplace, LA, Linda L. Giroir (Buddy Giroir) of Laplace, LA and Tracy J. Zaikarite (Mark Zaikarite) of Albany, Georgia.

He is also survived by grandchildren: Michael Pusey, Robert Smith, Lillie Smith, Allie Tarantino, Caitlin Giroir, Athena Counts, Zoie Zaikarite and Zachary Zaikarite.

Great grandchildren: Meila Tarantino, Max Curry, Jett Counts, Jase Counts and Jack Counts

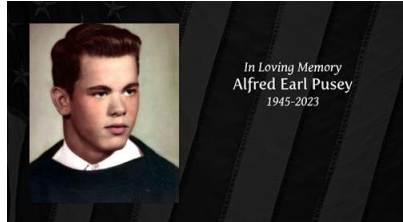
Nephew; Sam Henke and great nephew; Emmett Henke

There will be a Celebration of Life in Carrollton, Kentucky to be announced at a later date.

# Tribute Wall



“ Millet Guidry Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Alfred "Corky" Earl Pusey



Millet Guidry Funeral Home - December 14, 2023 at 04:43 PM



*Love my Dad*

Gwen Smith - December 14, 2023 at 07:34 PM



*I love you Paw-Paw so so much and thank you for being the best grandfather someone could ask for. Thank you leaving all these memories and teaching me all of these lessons I will need in life for that I will forever hold dear to me. Enjoy your rest and all the food you get to feast upon up there ☐*

Zachary Zaikarite - December 14, 2023 at 10:19 PM

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“ Oh Corky, what a life you Lived! I knew you as the handsome young boy in highschool and then when Charlotte decided you were her life partner! I was a bridesmaid when you married, and started your journey through life. You were so handsome in uniform, and your departure for destinations far off from Kentucky was so exciting. Every time you and Charlie came to a highschool reunion I looked forward to hearing about your adventures and views on life. You are greatly loved and admired for your love for your wife and family and your country. Now rest easy in Jesus’ arms. We will miss you, our Corky.

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**Christel Johnson Garrett** - December 15, 2023 at 07:12 AM

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“ Papa R , will always be with me, wherever I may roam. Sure wish we would have more time,, but until I see you again, I'll take a slow ride just for you!

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**Jaime Ferguson** - December 15, 2023 at 01:12 AM