

IN MEMORIAM

LAWRENCE LISTER MAY, JR.

We are here to pay our respects for LAWRENCE LISTER MAY, JR., who passed away the Thursday before Thanksgiving in 1995. He will be remembered, as many of his friends have said, as a truly good man. He was a devoted father and husband. He was a credit to his church, his community, his country and the Bar Association.

To those who knew him, he was known as Lawrence or simply Mr. May. He was born in Sarasota, Florida on November 30, 1921. Had he lived just a few more days, he would have been 74 years of age.

His family moved to Shreveport, Louisiana, while Lawrence was still an infant. His father became involved in the local real estate business, and Lawrence attended the local Catholic schools. He graduated from what was then called ST. JOHN'S HIGH SCHOOL, shortly before World War Two broke out. For those who are not old enough to remember, ST. JOHN'S HIGH SCHOOL is now known as LOYOLA PREP. World War Two broke out while he was enrolled in CENTENARY COLLEGE, where he met his future wife, LUCILLE MILLER. They were married in 1944.

Mr. May enlisted in the U.S. Navy following his graduation and, attained the rank of Lieutenant while serving at sea in the Atlantic. He received an honorable discharge from active duty, and remained in the Reserve until 1953.

Following the end of hostilities, Mr. May took advantage of the G.I. Bill, and studied law at Centenary College. He subsequently graduated, took the bar exam, and was admitted to practice in all of the local courts.

He practiced law in the Shreveport area from 1954 until 1972 when he saw an opportunity in the North Caddo Parish area, and at that time moved to Vivian, Louisiana.

Mr. May remained in Vivian until he passed away. He became the City Attorney for Vivian, Mooringsport, Hosston and Ida.

Mr. and Mrs. May raised five children and helped, as all good grandparents do, in raising some fine grandchildren. His children are:

MARY LARMOYEAUX of Little Rock, Arkansas

NANCY PEARSON of Sparta, New Jersey

LAWRENCE LISTER MAY, III of Chattanooga, Tennessee

PATSY DESELLE of Bossier City, Louisiana

MARGARET SARKOZI of Vivian, Louisiana

His wife, LUCILLE MILLER MAY, still resides in Vivian, Louisiana.

Mr. May was well known at ST CLEMENTS Catholic Church which he attended and was active in the programs of the church.

I was fortunate to know Mr. May as a friend, a brother attorney and a man whom I could always trust and respect. He did

not seek notoriety or fame. He was content to serve his country in time of need, his community, his church, his family and his clients.

In business he was always there, always willing to help, and was truly sincere in his efforts to serve and fulfill the needs of others. He always treated others with courtesy and respect, and seemed to always practice the principal of "DO UNTO OTHERS AS YOU WOULD HAVE THEM DO UNTO YOU."

He was a truly good man. I have missed him since his passing. I have missed the smile with which he greeted the world and those of us fortunate enough to be associated with him. I miss his wonderful sense of humor that helped us cope with the stresses of business from day to day. He was a good friend and ally when I needed one. His family will miss him; all those who knew him will miss him.

John M. Brown
Douglas G. Jamnik