

**MEMORIAL FOR CECIL MARSHALL MCKENZIE  
HELD IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
NOVEMBER 13, 2014  
SHREVEPORT BAR ASSOCIATION**

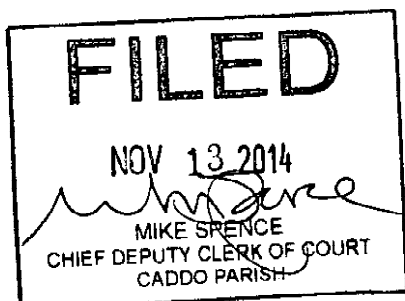
Cecil "Marshall" McKenzie passed away on Sept 28, 2013 at the age of 88 years and was a longstanding member of the Louisiana Bar Association and Shreveport Bar Association.

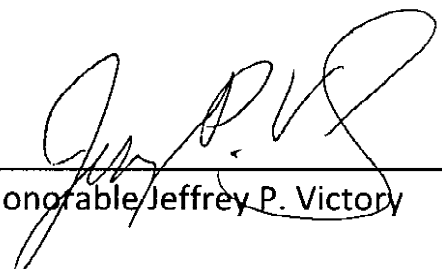
He obtained his Master's degree in Clinical Social Work from Tulane University and was a social worker for the Office of Family Services in Hammond. While working full time there, he commuted to Tulane Law School for night classes and passed the bar exam on the first try.

Early in his 40 year career with the State, he was appointed by then Mayor of Shreveport, James Gardner, as the first Director of the Dept. of Housing Improvement for the city of Shreveport. Marshall personally saw to the compassionate relocation of the many persons living in the slum along the riverfront, many in cardboard boxes and shacks with no utilities. The city of Shreveport received national publicity and a *Look Magazine* award for improving sub-standard housing. The area is now the location of Sci-Port.

Even as Regional Administrator for the Office of Family Services, Marshall continued to be a very active volunteer. He was on the Board of Directors of Northwest Louisiana Legal Services and he did pro-bono work representing indigent clients.

After he "retired" from state employment, he volunteered in the Pain Unit of Willis Knighton Hospital and held regular counseling sessions at Christus Schumpert Medical Center and Brentwood Hospital. He continued his work with Northwest Louisiana Legal Services and in 2008 was honored for his long service at their board luncheon. The theme of that program was "**Ready to Serve at All Times**", and that truly represents the life of Marshall McKenzie.



  
Honorable Jeffrey P. Victory