



## Richard France Douthat

June 16, 1937 - June 9, 2023

Richard France Douthat, 85, of Fort Payne passed away on Friday, June 9, 2023. He was born on June 16, 1937 in Huntington, WV to the late George and Florence Estelle Douthat. Before his illness, he was an active member of Northside Baptist Church serving the church for many years in different capacities. He owned and operated R&S Hydraulic and Welding in Fort Payne until his retirement in 1999. He was a U.S. Navy Veteran, an Honorary Lifetime Member of Desoto Rescue Squad and a former member of the Alabama Association of Rescue Squads Honor Guard. He loved to serve wherever he was needed. He had a servants heart and was ready to help and do for anybody at anytime he could. He was a wonderful and loving husband, father and friend. He loved the Lord and it showed in everything he did. His family is comforted by the fact that he is with Jesus and is no longer suffering.

A Memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, 2023 at Wilson Funeral Home in Fort Payne. The family will receive friends from 1:00 pm until the 2:00 p.m. hour of service. The family requests no flowers but memorial contributions may be made to Northside Baptist Church.

He is survived by his loving wife, Jo Dean Douthat; son, Shawn Douthat; son and daughter-in-law Derrick and Lori Douthat; daughter, Gwen Stone; son-in-law, Mike Stone; grandchildren, Jessica Douthat, Shawn Michael Douthat, Justin (Becca) Douthat, Christina Stone, Ashley Stone (Shawn Millard), Emily

Stone, and Michael Stone.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife, Terry Douthat.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

JUN 17. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Funeral Home Chapel  
3801 Gault Avenue North  
Fort Payne, AL 35967  
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wilsonfuneralhome@bellsouth.net  
<http://www.wilsonfhinc.com>

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Basket Full of Wishes* was purchased for the family of Richard France Douthat.



June 16, 2023 at 12:48 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections* was purchased for the family of Richard France Douthat.



June 15, 2023 at 05:34 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Richard France Douthat.



June 14, 2023 at 07:28 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Richard France Douthat.



June 12, 2023 at 07:04 PM

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“ *Jo, so sorry for your loss. Prayers.*

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**Jane White** - June 12, 2023 at 04:35 PM

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“ *Jo, so very sorry for your loss of this special man. I am sorry that we never connected. I am praying for comfort for your family and his friends in the coming days. I love you!*

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**Terry Everett** - June 12, 2023 at 03:11 PM