

## OBITUARY

# Leroy Alfred Penn Jr.

JULY 18, 1940 – MARCH 27, 2020



Leroy Alfred Penn Jr., 79, of Houston, TX passed away on March 27th, 2020. He was born in Opelousas, Louisiana on July 18th, 1940 to Leroy A. Penn Sr. and Hilda M. Penn. Leroy was married to Dorothy Ann Penn for 57 years. Leroy worked and enthusiastically enjoyed his career as an electrical engineer for NASA for 37 years. He supported multiple programs throughout his career including Gemini, Apollo, lunar landings, and the space shuttle.

Leroy was a member of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA). He graduated with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Electrical Engineering in 1963 from Louisiana State University. Leroy was a long-time member and officer of the Bay Area Senior Softball Association (BASSA). He was actively involved in his children's lives, coaching multiple sports teams, as well as supporting them in their many activities.

Leroy had many hobbies and interests. He had a life-long passion for softball and baseball that began as a child when he watched his own father play on a semi-pro baseball team. He had a wide and varied love of music that included collecting vintage LP's. Leroy had an avid love for all animals (especially cats). He also loved cheering on his alma mater Louisiana State University. Additionally, Leroy had a deep interest in vintage cars and had several through the years including a 1958 TR-3 and a 1974 Triumph Spitfire. He was very much a

people person and took great pleasure in meeting and getting to know others. His greatest collection was his friends.

Leroy was preceded in death by: His parents Leroy Penn Sr. and Hilda Penn, and his brother Robert Irving Penn.