



Mr. Louis Adams Nabors, Jr.

October 1, 1943 - July 30, 2013

"A LIFE WELL LIVED"

Louis Adam Nabors, Jr. was born October 1, 1943 to Lillian Conerly-Nabors and Louis Nabors. The eldest of five children, Louis was preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Karen and Martha. Louis married Pearlie Profit, PhD. and to that union two sons, Louis, III and Jeffrey were born. Both Pearlie and Louis, III preceded Louis in death. After the death of his beloved Pearlie, God sent him another soul mate, Mara Lewis. He and Mara married and to this union one daughter, Lillian Isabella, was born. Louis was a member of the Antioch Primitive Baptist Church under the leadership of Elder Nathaniel McGaskey.

Louis had his first experience as a soloist when his eighth grade teacher allowed him to sing a song to obtain extra credit in a mathematics class. Louis chose "White Christmas" and his class gave him a standing ovation, to his great surprise. Southern University and Agricultural & Mechanical College admitted Louis on a trombone scholarship. However, it was Louis' performance in an elective choir class that captured the attention of the music faculty and staff. The faculty marveled at this accidentally discovered talent and believed Louis was in his element as a singer. Mentors continued to encourage Louis' interest in vocal performance as he completed the BM at Southern University and Agricultural & Mechanical College and later, the MM

in Voice from Prairie View Agricultural and Mechanical University. A revered colleague, teacher, and mentor to ULM students and many successful musicians throughout the state of Louisiana and the world, Louis Nabors served as Head of voice and was a member of the faculty of the University of Louisiana at Monroe Department of Music for nearly forty years. His stellar performance career is highlighted by appearances at the Kennedy Center and with symphonies and opera companies throughout the United States and the world. Louis sang with American companies in Arizona, Houston, Los Angeles, Fort Worth, Shreveport, and throughout Louisiana. He sang internationally throughout Germany, Italy, the Philippines, and the Bahamas. Louis also appeared in musical theater productions nationally. He was honored to receive the 1990 College of Liberal Arts Performing Artist of the Year award and additional honors and recognition for outstanding community service. In 2005, Louis performed the role of Amonasro in Elton John's Aida. In the summers of 2007 and 2010, he performed the role of Sarastro in Mozart's The Magic Flute and in the summer of 2008, he sang the role of Simone in Puccini's Gianni Schicchi. Louis sang both roles with the Amalfi Coast Music Festival in Italy, where he also served on the faculty. Louis is one of the founding members of Spiritual Voices and completed recital tours throughout Germany in 2006 and 2009. Spiritual Voices will return to Germany in December 2013 to sing concerts in Hannover and Stuttgart, Germany in loving memory of Louis Nabors.

Louis Nabors, a beloved husband, father, friend and colleague leaves to truly cherish his memory, his wife, Mara; son, Jeffrey; daughter, Lillian Isabella; grandchildren, Jaylah and Jeffrey, Jr.; brothers, Isaac (Malinda) and Joseph (Patricia); a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, many dear friends and every student he taught and mentored throughout his distinguished career as an artist/teacher.

Cemetery Details

Richwood Memorial Gardens

2705 Richwood Rd. #2
Monroe, LA 71202

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Louis Adams Nabors, Jr.*

January 30, 2023 at 03:35 AM



“ *Mr. Louis Adams Nabors, Jr.*

January 30, 2023 at 02:22 AM



“ *I was talking with a friend from NLU and for some reason I google his name. I was shocked to learn of his passing. My heart is heavy, sincere condolences to his family. I was a former student in the early 80's. At the time I wanted to be the next Diana Ross, so I thought(Lol). He was tough and he expected your best. When you didn't practice or prepare for finals, he would look at you smile and let his pen do the talking. Larger than life leaving a lasting impression upon everyone who was blessed to have been in his company. You are missed. Your legacy a infinity that will go on. J. Lewis nlu 86*

J. Lewis - June 06, 2015 at 11:11 PM

DK

“ *Mr. Nabors was my first voice instructor at ULM back in the late 70's, and I learned quite a lot from him. My name was Deanne Moore back then but he would only call me 'Deannie Keltner-Moore' in that deep rumbling bass. I was hyphenated before I even knew what that was!*

One of my favorite memories of Mr. Nabors was his ability to 'sing off the end of the keyboard'. Every once in a while, I could talk him into doing it, and I would start playing down the keys. I would reach the last A note, and he would just keep going! I never got tired of hearing that deep, deep rumble. My condolences to his family. He will be greatly missed.

Deanne Keltner - March 17, 2014 at 04:34 PM

LR

“ *Mr nabors was an awesome voice and an IDE instructor. He also gave us the opportunity to be in porgy and bess in Shreveport with the opera. He was an extraordinary man. May GOD be with the family and help you find peace during this time.*



latrice reed - August 23, 2013 at 07:33 PM

IW

“ *Iberia Watley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Louis Adams Nabors, Jr.*



Iberia Watley - August 09, 2013 at 05:50 PM

GH

“ There will never be a vocal teacher as talented as Mr. Nabors. I owe the majority of my knowledge of singing to him. I studied voice with him at ULM from Fall 2007 to Spring 2013 under the senior citizen program. I'm sure I am the 'oldest' student he taught and for such a length of time! I will always remember what a major influence he has had on my life.

my deepest sympathy to each of his family members for such a loss. He was a great person!!!

Ginger Hicks

West Monroe

Ginger Hicks - August 09, 2013 at 04:55 PM