



Andrew Deshotel Jr.

September 25, 1921 - December 19, 2020

Andrew Deshotel Jr, a devoted husband, beloved father, and wonderful friend to many, was called home to the Lord on Saturday, December 19, 2020, at home with his family by his side.

Retired Chief and Pearl Harbor survivor, Andrew Deshotel recently celebrated his 99th birthday. He has been a Roswell, N.M. resident for the last 36 years.

On September 25, 1921, Andrew was born to Andrew Deshotel and Elvina Carrier in Palmetto, Louisiana. He attended Morrow High School and left with an 8th-grade education, then eventually went to New Orleans and entered Electronic school. Andrew then received degrees in electrical and electronic engineering. He wanted to join the military, so he faked a birth certificate, joined the US Army in 1939, bought his way out of the Army and joined the Navy. Andrew sounded the general alarm for WW11.

After Pearl, he served on his ship, USS Conyngham, through fourteen major Pacific battles. Andrew served twenty years on active duty, then ten years on the reserves. After twenty years in the Navy of active duty as a Chief Petty Officer, he retired and went to work for FAA, building radio, radar and microwave and repeater towers across the country.

Andrew's hobbies were cooking, fishing, and hunting. He was a lifetime member of the Lions and Elks Clubs.

Blessed with a large and loving family, Andrew and Edna were married for thirty-four years. Between the two, they had three children: Guy and Kathy Deshotel of Dallas TX, Tami Kennard of Roswell NM, and Allen Jones of Roswell NM; eleven grandchildren: Ryan, Tawny, Robbie, Joshua, Zachary, Ticey, Gavan, Logan, Brandon, Amanda, and Timothy; several great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. Andrew had two brothers and three sisters who preceded him in death.

A Graveside Service Honoring Andrew will be held at the General Douglas L. McBride Veterans Cemetery in South Park, 11:00 AM, Saturday, January 2, 2021.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Anderson Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory. For any information, please contact the funeral home at 575-622-5888.

Please take a moment and share a kind thought or memory with Andrew's family at www.andersonbethany.com.

Previous Events

Graveside Service- General Douglas L. McBride Veterans Cemetery

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General Douglas L. McBride Veterans Cemetery

Between S Main St and SE Main St (US 285) on E Jaffe St, in Roswell, at the north end of South Park

Roswell, NM 88203

Tribute Wall



“ *Andrew Deshotel Jr.*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Andrew Deshotel Jr..*



January 01, 2021 at 10:47 AM



“ *Lucky enough to grow up down the street from Uncle Andy when he lived in Houston. We called him Uncle but he was our great Uncle. Great memories visiting him in Albuquerque and playing with the bunnies that, unbeknownst to me, we ate later that night. I was told it was chicken. And riding a neighbor's Golden Palomino. My prayers to Edna and the family for comfort during this difficult time. What a great life he lived.*

Sharla Frame Hancock - January 01, 2021 at 01:40 AM



“ *We were always amazed at Uncle Andy's stories. He lived such an interesting life - from sounding the first general alarm at Pearl Harbor to rabbit ranching, with a little telecommunications thrown in as well. He could do it all. He was an amazing man who will be missed.*

Lisa and Gary Mau - December 31, 2020 at 09:09 PM

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“ I will never forget the many stories he shared of growing up, his family and his experiences in his service to our country. Always had a story about his son and wonderful grandchildren. Never a minute with out Edna. All my love and prayers for the family.



Kathy Deshotel - December 30, 2020 at 09:47 PM

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“ Doris Deshotel lit a candle in memory of Andrew Deshotel Jr.



Doris Deshotel - December 28, 2020 at 02:28 PM

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“ Edna, I am saddened to read about Andy. Hope you are doing well under the circumstance. May his soul rest in peace. Take care and God Bless you and yours.

Lupe Morales - December 22, 2020 at 12:38 PM