



David "Dave" Soileau

Dave Soileau was born in Ville Platte, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana, to Allen and Barbara Joubert Soileau on August 29, 1946. In 1959 Dave's family moved to Lake Charles, Louisiana.

After serving four years in the Navy and also retiring as Captain from the Lake Charles Police Department, he began the E-911 Emergency Center in Lake Charles, Louisiana, which continues today and is state of the art. He then worked on his DJ career at KAOK, Q101, and KJEF which spanned over twenty-eight years. He was in the process of putting some of the really old music on CD's as he was always looking for ways to utilize all Cajun music.

Dave served on The Cajun French Music Association as a board member, President, and Secretary. He was elected National C.F.M.A. President in 1993. He was inducted in the Lake Charles Hall of Fame in 1990 and in the C.F.M.A. Hall of Fame in 2008.

Dave played the *T-fer* with Mack Manuel and the Lake Charles Ramblers for fun at every opportunity. His life consisted of promoting Cajun music, dancing, attending festivals and the Cajun language. His wish in life was that we never forget our culture and to always be proud of our background.

Playing Cajun Music and his family were what embodied Dave, as he was

known, to all of his friends.

Dave was married to Brenda Sue Leger Soileau and has three children and seven grandchildren.