



**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JML 24-69**

FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF – SENATOR JAMES DAVID CAIN

WHEREAS, James David Cain, Sr, a former distinguished member of the Louisiana State Senate and Louisiana House of Representatives, died on May 8, 2024;

WHEREAS, he was born in Pitkin, Louisiana to Alton and Mary Etta Cain and had five siblings, Alton Cain, Jr., William “Billy” Cain, Ethlyn Cain Branch, Mary Cain Clark, and Burl Cain;

WHEREAS, he served his country in the United States Army as a Military Policeman;

WHEREAS, he earned a Bachelor's and Master's in Education from McNeese State University;

WHEREAS, he settled in Dry Creek and was a highly successful basketball coach for East Beauregard High School where he was twice named Coach of the Year, won eight straight district championships, and was later inducted into the LHSAA Hall of Fame;

WHEREAS, he married his loving wife Renee Cole Cain for 34 years;

WHEREAS, he is survived by his children Melissa Cain Milnor and Judge James D. Cain, Jr., his beloved stepchildren Angela and Joe Guglielmo, and his four grandchildren Juliana and Haley 'beth Cain, Amanda Milnor, and Austin Guglielmo;

WHEREAS, he lived a life that was dedicated to helping and serving others, including his twenty years of service to our state in the House of Representatives from 1972 to 1992 followed by sixteen years of service as a Louisiana State Senator, representing Vernon, Beauregard, and Calcasieu Parishes;

WHEREAS, during his distinguished legislative career he was a leader on important issues, served as Chairman of the Senate Committees on Agriculture, Environmental Quality, and Insurance, and due to his many accomplishments was inducted into the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame;

WHEREAS, during his retirement he was an active rancher in Dry Creek raising cattle and high-quality barrel horses;

WHEREAS, those who knew him were taught rich life lessons of integrity, virtue, strength, honor, and hard work;

WHEREAS, his passion and goal in life was to help people and he was beloved by those who knew him, and

WHEREAS, James David Cain, Sr.'s dedication as a public servant and community leader to the State of Louisiana will long be remembered.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JEFF LANDRY, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

Section 1: As an expression of respect and to honor James David Cain, the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol and all state buildings from sunrise until sunset on May 17, 2024.

Section 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, May 17, 2024.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana on this 13th day of May 2024.



Jeff Landry
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY THE
SECRETARY OF STATE**



Nancy Landry
SECRETARY OF STATE