



**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER JBE 2018 - 21**

Flags at Half-Staff—Charles “Charlie” Doerr Lancaster, Jr.

- WHEREAS,** on August 17, 2018, Charles “Charlie” Doerr Lancaster, Jr. passed away at the age of 74;
- WHEREAS,** born and raised in New Orleans, Charlie Lancaster attended Holy Name of Jesus and graduated from Jesuit High School where he was a member of its 1960 state championship football team;
- WHEREAS,** he attended the University of Southwestern Louisiana (now the University of Louisiana-Lafayette) on a track scholarship and later graduated from Loyola Law School where he was a member of the Law Review;
- WHEREAS,** he practiced law for over forty years and retired as a Major of the Louisiana Army National Guard after serving for twenty-two years;
- WHEREAS,** he represented Metairie in the state House for 32 years, and his decades of work led to his induction into the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame in 2018;
- WHEREAS,** he valued relationships and respect over partisanship and throughout his life maintained close friendships with people of all backgrounds and political affiliations;
- WHEREAS,** he was predeceased by his beloved wife, Edith "Patches" Shannon Lancaster, and his parents, Charles D. Lancaster Sr. and Helen Stafford Lancaster and is survived by his two children, daughter Edith Helen "Dee Dee" Lancaster and son Charles D. Lancaster III; a brother, William Bradford Lancaster (Suzy); two sisters, Helen Lancaster Bailey (Neil) and Marjorie Lancaster Crowell (Mark); a niece, Blair Redfield Lancaster; his brothers-in-law; George William Shannon, Jr.(Janet), Robert MacKinnon Shannon, Jon O'Hara Shannon (Roman), James Cahill Shannon (Jill); his grandson, Duncan Stewart Wallace; and
- WHEREAS,** Charlie Lancaster lived his life with integrity and devoted to public service, leaving a legacy in Louisiana for generations to come.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, 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 the life of Charles Doerr Lancaster, Jr., the flags of the United States and the State of Louisiana shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol until sunset on Friday, August 24, 2018.

SECTION 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until sunset, Friday, August 24, 2018, unless amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded prior to that date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 23th day of August, 2018.