

Sam Bevilacqua, Jr. "Uncle Jr."

December 20, 1928 - August 31, 2017

Mass of Christian Burial

Monday, September 11, 2017 10:00 a.m. Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church Beaumont, Texas

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

Processional "Here I Am Lord"

GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY

As a reminder of Sam's Baptism, his casket has been sprinkled with Baptismal water. Then, a pall, recalling the white garment of his Baptism, is placed on the casket.

"If we have died with Christ, we are also to live with Christ in glory."

OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23

"The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want."

Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Matthew 5:1-12

HOMILY

Prayers of the Faithful

Response:

"Lord, hear our prayer"

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

"On Eagle's Wings"

COMMUNION RITE

Holy, Holy, Holy + Mystery of Faith Great Amen + Our Father + Lamb of God

Communion

"Prayer of Saint Francis"

Meditation

"How Great Thou Art"

Prayer After Communion

FINAL COMMENDATION

PRESIDER: Saints of God, come to his aid. Hasten to meet him angels

of the Lord.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

PRESIDER: May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself, and may

the angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO

GOD THE MOST HIGH.

PRESIDER: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light

shine upon him.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

Recessional

"Songs of the Angels"

SONGS OF THE ANGELS

"May songs of the angels welcome you and guide you along your way.

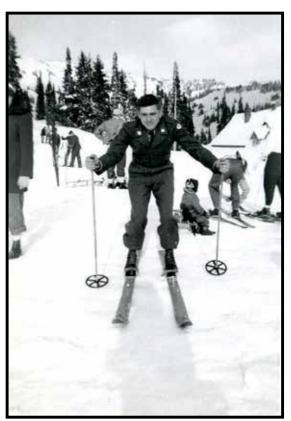
May the smiles of the martyrs greet your own as darkness turns into day.

Every fear will be undone and death will be no more;

As songs of the angels bring you home

Before the face of God."

[B. Duford]



Sam Bevilacqua, Jr.

"Uncle Jr.", age 88, of
Beaumont, passed away
August 31, 2017. Uncle Jr.
was born in Beaumont,
Texas, December 20, 1928.
He was a Korean War

Army veteran.

graduated He from Beaumont High School in May 1946. He then enrolled and attended Lamar University and upon completion of prerequisite he attended studies. The University of Texas School of Pharmacy. He graduated UT in January 1951 and passed his Board of Pharmacy in February

1951. He owned and co-owned several pharmacies in Beaumont, which included Magnolia Pharmacy, with whom he co-owned with his long-time business partner and friend Frank J. Morrell. He also owned and operated Lucas-Save-U Pharmacy up to his retirement.

Uncle Jr. was a faithful member of Our Lady of The Assumption Catholic Church. He served the parish as a lector and on the finance committee. He was passionate in his faith and spiritual commitments despite the challenges life would bring about. He selflessly helped family, parish members and many customers who came his way. He would help anyone who simply asked even when they could not pay. In the words of family members when they heard he passed; "Uncle Jr. is the last of a generation of beautiful people who most importantly taught us how to be a family", "He was always there for all", "Very giving in love – gave money, jobs, cars, medication and religion". "Uncle Jr's personal and spiritual generosity was genuine and beyond compare". He was a long-time member of the Pompano Club and enjoyed the music, dancing and fellowship found

there. He was a member of the Spindletop Optimist Club where he served as president for a period of time. He too enjoyed golfing, his poker club card games, playing dominos and sharing weekends with his family and friends at Crystal Beach.

Uncle Jr. was preceded in death by his parents Salvatore "Sam" Bevilacqua and Antonina "Lena" Messina Bevilacqua, his brothers Joe Bevilacqua and his wife, Josephine; Charlie Bevilacqua and his wife, Pearl; and Vincent (Spike) Bevilacqua; his sisters, Camile Bevilacqua, Margaret Bonura and her husband, Lawrence; and Connie Citrano and her husband, Sam; his great-niece, Alicia Christine Bonura; and his wife, Pat Harrell Bevilacqua.

He is survived by many nieces and nephews, great-nieces and nephews, great-great-nieces and nephews; and stepfamily members.

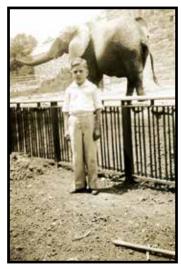
The family extends a sincere thank you for the care given to Uncle Jr. from various physicians, Pelican Bay Assisted Living, his long-time caregivers, Joje Frantz, Versie Owens, Bobbie Williams, Pauline Richardson and Margaret Baltimore, his Eucharistic Minister, JoAnne Christine Bonura and our cousins, Carol Ann and Donnie Chirafis who served and assisted him many years.







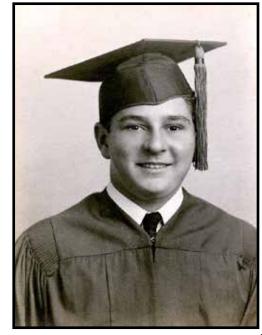














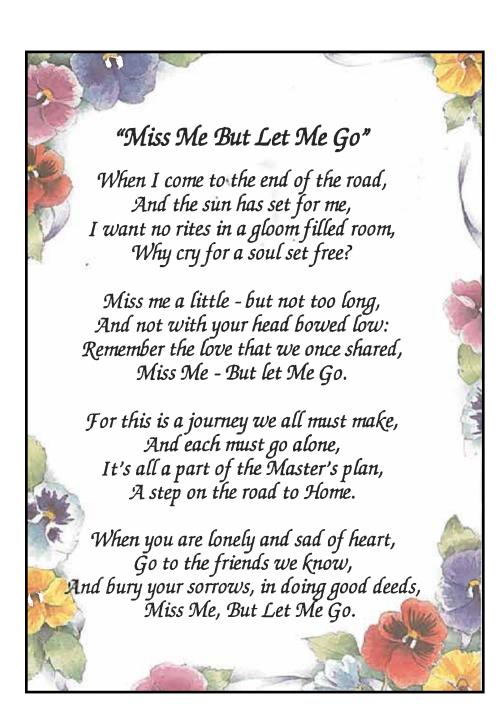


























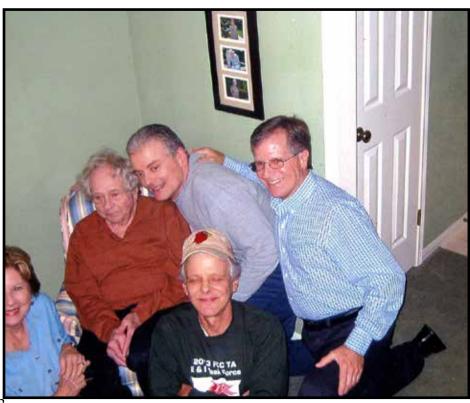


































Celebrant Reverend Antony Paulose, C.M.I.

Placing of the Pall Nieces:

Lexie Bevilacqua, Paula Bevilacqua Debbie Bonura, Delonda Citrano Georgia Citrano, Valerie Citrano Mary Jane English, Charlene Noble Carol Ann Chirafis, Donna Tolson

Gift Bearers Carol Ann Chirafis, Donna

Lector Gerard Bonura

Eucharistic Ministers Debbie Bevilacqua, JoAnne Bonura

Music Ministers Judy Serio, Dr. Sam Giglio

Pallbearers James Bevilacqua, Joe Bevilacqua, Jr.

Sammy Bevilacqua, Sr., Lawrence Bonura

Mike Bonura, Donald Citrano

Dr. Ronald Citrano, Sammy Citrano III

Paul Morrell

Honorary Pallbearers Donnie Chirafis, Thomas Noble

Larry Tolson

Entombment

Forest Lawn Memorial Park Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church 4445 Avenue A Beaumont, Texas 77705

