

Charlene Fertitta Busceme February 16, 1931 - June 2, 2018

Mass of Christian Burial Wednesday, June 6, 2018 10:00 a.m. St. Anne Catholic Church Beaumont, Texas

GATHERING RITE

GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY

As a reminder of Charlene's Baptism, her casket has been sprinkled with Baptismal water. Then, a pall, recalling the white garment of her 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

Wisdom 3:1-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23

"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

Second Reading

I John 3:1-2

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

John 14:1-6

HOMILY

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Response:

"Lord, hear our prayer"

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

"Ave Maria" Franz Schubert

COMMUNION RITE

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

Communion "On Eagle's Wings"

BB #437

Meditation

Invitation to Prayer

Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister. May our farewell express our affection for her; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet her again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

PRESIDER: Saints of God, come to her aid. Hasten to meet

her, angels of the Lord.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER

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 HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER

TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

PRESIDER: Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let

perpetual light shine upon her.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER

TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

Recessional "Songs of the Angels"



Charlene Fertitta Busceme, 87, of Beaumont, died Saturday, June 2, 2018. She was born February 16, 1931, to Josephine and Charles Fertitta.

Charlene dedicated herself and lived her life as a woman, as a wife and especially as a mother in honor of the most perfect Mother, Mary, the Mother of God. She lived her life in complete devotion to God and as a faithful, daily communicant in the Catholic Church. Her faith allowed her to let God show her the direction of her life and she was blessed for her willingness to follow His Word. Her faith shown out so strong that people were drawn to her for a moment in her presence because through her, one could see the love of God.

Charlene was the youngest child of Josie and Charles Fertitta, born a few minutes behind her beloved twin brother, Charlie. The twins had a wonderful childhood but especially when it was time to ride the horses. Some of her most fond memories are of riding her horses with Charlie and her cousins, her long curly locks blowing in the wind.

She met Carlo Busceme, Jr. at St. Anthony High School and began a love story that has spanned 67 years of marriage with four children, seven grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. She loved to have all her family together for any occasion and for just supper any given night. Her home was always open to family, friends, and any stragglers her children and grandchildren dragged in!

All were welcome. And that is the way she greeted you. Charlene loved and accepted everyone as the child of God she believed you to be. She was nonjudgmental and open-minded. She believed that you should live your life being true to yourself and right with God. If you had these things then you could be happy. She applied this to her children, her grandchildren, her extended family and her friends. But, of course, this never stopped her from praying for you and her prayer list was long.



Being a wife and mother was her vocation, but volunteering was her profession. As her children made their way through St. Anne Catholic School, she was the constant room mother, driver on field trips and to games, fundraiser, and committee member. When they moved on to Msgr. Kelly Catholic High School, she and Carlo both worked hard on fundraising, supporters of athletics and the K-dettes, and anywhere else she was needed. She was honored for her efforts by being named the Distinguished Alum of St. Anne Catholic School and later, with Carlo, as the Distinguished Alums of Msgr. Kelly Catholic High School. After the children were grown, Charlene volunteered at the Some Other Place Soup Kitchen. With the St. Anne Ladies, she served as President and was honored as the Volunteer of the Year for her many years of service to the organization. She served on the St. Anne Parish Council and was the first woman to serve as chairperson. But her most cherished volunteer position was the many years she spent as the sacristan of St. Anne Catholic Church.

Charlene and Carlo were honored by being inducted into the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre which is the highest honor bestowed on a lay Catholic by the Church. She organized and was a part of pilgrimages to Medjugorje twice and to the Holy Land.

Charlene is survived by her devoted, loving husband, Carlo; her sons, Anthony Busceme, Sr. and his wife, Karie and Gregory Busceme, Sr. and his wife, Sheila; her daughter, JoRita Lyle and her husband, Steve; her grandchildren, Carmen Busceme and her wife, Desiree Guillory, of Houston, TX; Anthony Busceme, Jr. and his wife, Tricia, of DeQuincy, LA; Carla Busceme of Golden, CO; Gregory Busceme, Jr. and his wife, Jessica; Carlo Busceme IV and his wife, Larena; Michael Lyle of Los Angeles, CA; and Olivia Busceme; and great-grandchildren, Austin Busceme, Charlize Busceme, Gregory Busceme III, and Benjamin Busceme; her sister-in law, Nancy Fertitta; and her many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her son, Carlo Busceme III; her parents; and her siblings, Joseph "Pep" Fertitta; Marietta Fertitta; Olivia Serio and her husband, Joseph; Sr. Jo Rita Fertitta, O.P.; Charles Fertitta, Jr. and his wife, Rose Ann.

Charlene was blessed to be lovingly attended for several years by her companion, Katherine Veazey. In the last several months of her life, Katherine was joined by Claudia Pena, Myra Hockless, Elizabeth Alvarez, and Deborah Aguirre in attending to all her needs. And a special thank you to Cindy Luquette for her energy and service for many years. Charlene's family is so very grateful for the tireless devotion of these ladies in making her life so much easier. Thank you is not big enough. And a very heartfelt thank you to Denise Gilmore, Kristen Wilson and all the staff of Kindred Hospice for making a difficult journey one of dignity and ease.

















Married





67 Years































Celebrant Reverend Monsignor William F. Manger Con Celebrants Reverend Monsignor Salvador J. Culotta

Reverend Martin L. Nelson

Priests of the Diocese of Beaumont

Placing of the Pall Carlo Busceme, Jr., JoRita Lyle

Anthony Busceme, Sr., Greg Busceme, Sr.

Gift Bearers Carla Busceme, Olivia Busceme

Lector Carmen Busceme
Organist Dr. Scott Feldhausen
Cantor Edward Begnaud

Pallbearers Anthony Busceme, Jr., Carlo Busceme IV

Gregory Busceme, Jr., Michael Lyle Donald Fertitta, Joseph Fertitta Raymond Begnaud, Paul Begnaud

Interment

Magnolia Cemetery Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions

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