

Bernard "Ben" Koch

December 21, 1935 - August 6, 2018

Funeral Mass

Thursday, August 9, 2018 11:00 a.m. St. Louis Catholic Church Winnie, Texas

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

Processional

"How Great Thou Art"

GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY

As a reminder of Bernard'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

Isaiah 6a; 7-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23

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

Second Reading

Romans 3-9

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Matthew 5:12

HOMILY

Prayers of the Faithful

Response:

"Lord, hear our prayer"

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

"Amazing Grace"

COMMUNION RITE

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

Communion

"I Am the Bread of Life"

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.

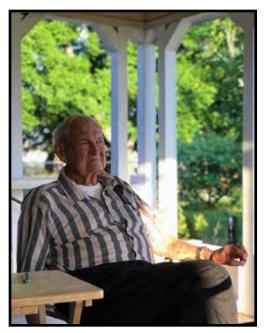
PRESIDER: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light

shine upon him.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO

GOD THE MOST HIGH.

Recessional "We Will Rise Again"



Bernard "Ben" Koch, 82, of Winnie, died peacefully at 6:30 a.m. on August 6, 2018, at Baptist Hospital in Beaumont. Ben was born to Mathias and Alma Koch of D'Hanis Texas and is survived by his "lovely bride" Genevieve "Gen" Koch of Winnie children Glenn Koch and his wife, Bevan, of Pittsburgh: Allen Koch and his wife, Allison, of Winnie; Jennifer Hoelscher and her husband, Shane, of Spring; Kevin Koch and his husband. Robert Schmidt, of Austin;

grandchildren, Ryan, Michael, Jonathan, Anna, and James Koch and Catherine, Grace, Benjamin, and Jacob Hoelscher. He was preceded in death by brothers, Leo and Gene, and sister, Louise Blount, and is survived by brother Matt M and sister Charlotte Lutz.

After graduating from D'Hanis high school in 1954, Ben worked as a cowhand at his uncle's ranch in D'Hanis, which he enjoyed very much. He then served in the US Army for two years in California before returning to Texas. After meeting and marrying Gen in 1962 in Sinton, Texas, they moved to the Winnie area in 1964 where he worked as a supervisor at the Goodyear Chemical Plant for 35 years. After retirement in 1998, he and Gen traveled extensively and enjoyed time with their growing family and lifelong friends.

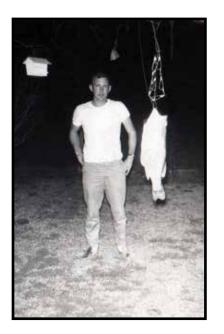
He was tirelessly devoted not only to his family and friends, but also his community, contributing countless volunteer hours to area schools, Little League, and St. Louis Catholic Church, serving as a member of the Knights of Columbus, running the rice ball booth at the Texas Rice Festival, and serving funeral meals well into his later years. He will be remembered for his intelligence, easy conversation, and good sense of humor.

























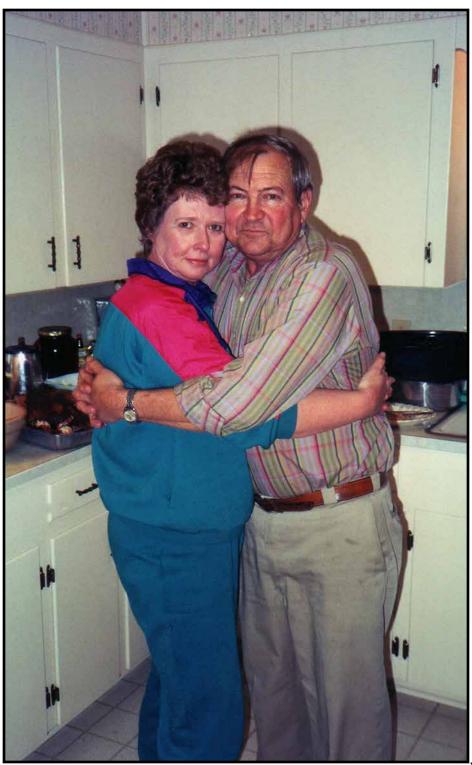
























Celebrant Reverend D. Stephen McCrate

Placing of the Pall Glenn Koch, Allen Koch

Jennifer Hoelscher, Kevin Koch

Gift Bearers Anna Koch, Catherine Hoelscher

Grace Hoelscher

Lectors Anna Koch, Grace Hoelscher

Flautist Catherine Hoelscher

Pallbearers Grandsons: Ryan Koch, Michael Koch

Jonathan Koch, James Koch Ben Hoelscher, Jacob Hoelscher

Burial of his cremated body will be held at a later date in D'Hanis, Texas.

Memorial Contributions

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