

We believe that all the ties of friendship
and affection which knit us as one
throughout our lives
do not unravel
with death.

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Mary Josephine "Josie" Serafino

December 4, 1924 + November 18, 2018

GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY

As a reminder of Josie'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."

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

Processional Song: ***"Be Not Afraid"***
We Celebrate #875

OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Wisdom 3:1-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 42

***"Like a deer that longs for running streams,
so my soul longs for you, my God."***

Second Reading

Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

[John 6:37-40]

HOMILY

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Response:
"Lord, Hear Our Prayer"

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts:

“One Bread, One Body”

We Celebrate #685

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, Holy, Holy + Mystery of Faith + Great Amen

Our Father + Lamb of God

Communion:

“I Am The Bread Of Life”

We Celebrate #646

Meditation Song:

“Ave, Maria”

Prayer After Communion

FINAL COMMENDATION

Priest:

Song of Farewell



1. Come to his/her aid, O saints of God; Come meet him/her
2. May Christ who called you, take you home, and an - gels
3. Give him/her e - ter - nal rest, O Lord. May light un -
4. I know that my Re - deem - er lives, the last day



1. an - gels — of the Lord.
 2. lead you to A - bra - ham.
 3. end - ing — shine on him/her.
 4. I shall — rise a - gain.
- All respond:* Re - ceive his/her soul, O



- 1-4. ho - ly ones; pre - sent him/her now to God, Most High.

Recessional:

“Songs of the Angels”



Mary Josephine "Josie" Serafino, 93, of Beaumont, died Sunday, November 18, 2018, at Silsbee Oaks Health Care. She was born on December 4, 1924, in Beaumont, to Mary Penna and Joe Arena.

Josie was longtime member of several organizations such as Ladies of St. Jude. She was a member of The Italian-American Society and Past President of Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary.

Josie is survived by her daughter, Mary Ann Haughton and her husband, Mike, of Mount Vernon, Ohio; brother, Kelly Arena and his wife, Donna, of Beaumont; grandchildren, Michael Haughton and his wife, Jennifer, of Friendswood; Matt Haughton, of Mount Vernon, Ohio; Mark Haughton, of Beaumont; and Melissa Frazee and her husband, Mike, of Mount Vernon, Ohio; great-grandchildren, Jessica Haughton, of Friendswood, and Paris Frazee, James Frazee, and Hailey Frazee, all of Mount Vernon, Ohio; sister-in-law, Violet Arena, of Beaumont; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her husband, L.A. Serafino, Jr.; son, Louis A. Serafino III; parents, Mary and Joe Arena; five brothers; and one sister.



















I had the privilege to be the great-granddaughter of Josie Serafino. Unlike many people, I was blessed to know her my entire life. She was my first best friend. Each weekend I was able to spend at her house growing up, playing, laughing, and enjoying every moment together. I remember how she was always so proud of me, I'd sit in her lap at the beauty shop, she'd always let me play with her jewelry, makeup, even Missy's beautiful green ballet dress. She was the most amazing cook. She was ceaselessly wonderful, patient, loving, and truly kind. I always felt I could only ever hope to be half as good of the woman as she was. She was one of the few people I aspired to be like, and I have tried to follow in her kind and passionate footsteps. When our loved ones pass, they are not gone. They stay with you and reside in your soul. So instead of saying goodbye, I say welcome, and I know with you at my side, I can accomplish anything. "Unable are the loved to die, for love is immortality."

- I love you, Grandma





Celebrant and Homilist:	Reverend Polycarp Otieno
Sprinkling Rite and Placing of Pall:	Mary Ann and Mike Haughton
Lectors:	The Family of Mary Josephine Serafino
Gift Bearers:	Jessica Haughton and Lynda Janac
Eucharistic Ministers:	Celebrant of the Mass, Mary Beth Jones Paula Sherman
Music Ministers:	Linda Caillavet, Sam Giglio
Pallbearers:	Joseph A. Penna, Jr., Roland Jones Joe Arena, Jr., Tony Arena, Scott Arena Mark Anthony Arena, Kenneth Arena

Saint Jude Thaddeus Catholic Community
 Beaumont, Texas – Saturday, November 24, 2018

Interment
 Magnolia Cemetery
 Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions
 Knights of Columbus Council #951
 9505 College Street
 Beaumont, Texas 77707

St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church Building Fund
 6825 Gladys Avenue
 Beaumont, Texas 77706

**“Never let anything so fill you with sorrow
 that you forget the joy of the resurrection.”**
 Mother Teresa

Please join the Serafino family in Culotta Hall for food and fellowship
 upon your return from the cemetery.

St. Jude “Mourning Glories”



Please sign Mrs. Serafino’s guest book and share your memories at
broussards1889.com