

# Donald "Don" James Sonnier

February 16, 1933 - April 5, 2017

**Mass of Christian Burial**  
Monday, April 10, 2017 10:00 a.m.  
Infant Jesus Catholic Church  
Lumberton, Texas

# **ENTRANCE PROCESSION**

Processional

*“Amazing Grace”*

## **GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY**

As a reminder of Donald’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

I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23

*“The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.”*

Second Reading

Romans 6:3-9

## 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

*“On Eagle’s Wings”*

## COMMUNION RITE

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

Communion

*“Hail Mary, Gentle Woman”*

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.

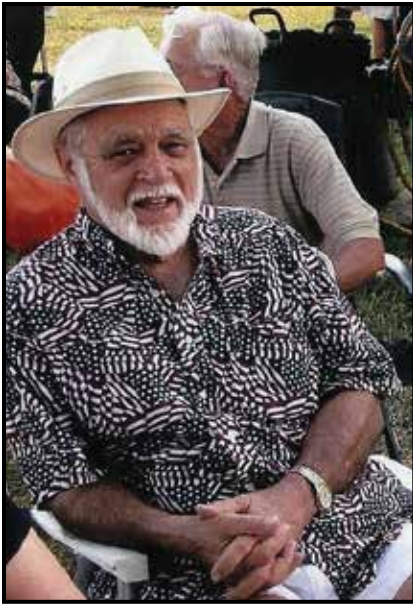
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**PRESIDER:** Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

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Recessional

*“Pastures of the Lord”*



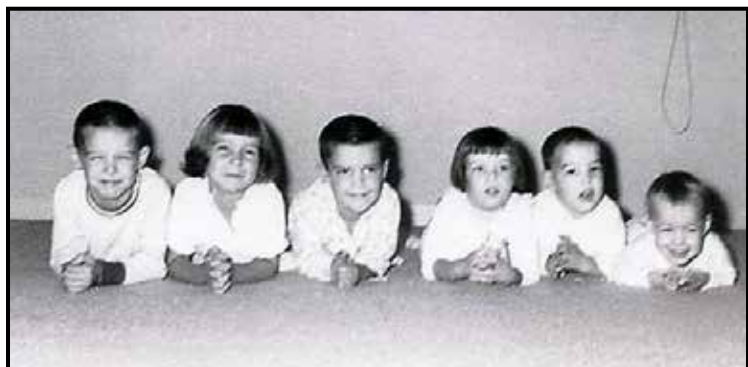
Donald “Don” James Sonnier, Sr., 84, of Lumberton, died Wednesday, April 5, 2017, at Silsbee Convalescent Center, Silsbee. He was born on February 16, 1933, in Port Arthur, to Ada Domingue Sonnier and J.E. Sonnier.

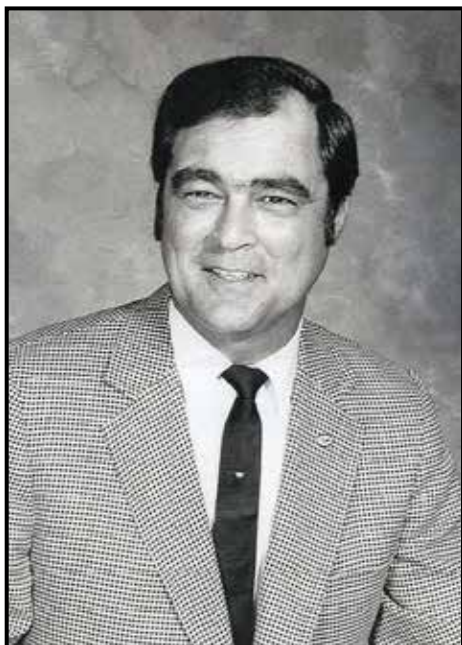
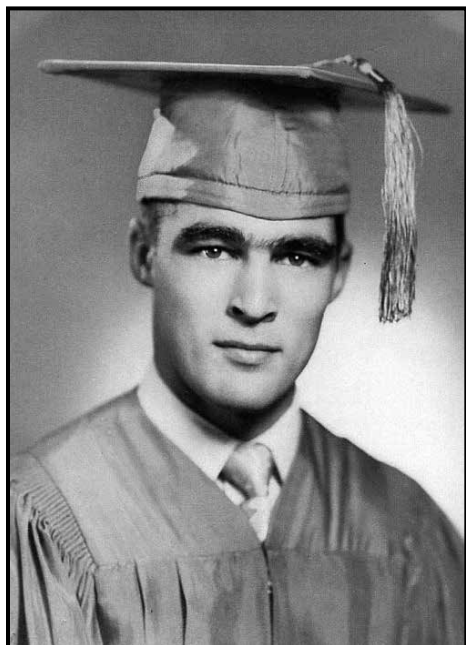
Don graduated from Lamar State College of Technology in 1956 with a B.B.A. He was employed by three local banks for a total of twenty-six years, plus four years at the Beaumont Rice Mill. After leaving banking in 1982, he became an

auctioneer and he and his wife, Jo Ann, operated “Don’s Auctions” for four years. At the same time they conducted Remember When Estate Sales in the area for twenty-two years. They also traveled across the country with antiques and collectibles shows.

Survivors include his loving wife, Jo Ann Wood Sterling Sonnier; children, Donald J. “Donnie” Sonnier, Jr. and Beverly Moxley; Dr. Leo “Butch” Sonnier and his wife, Kathy; Margaret Breaux and her husband, David, all of Austin; Mary Louise Pearce and her husband, Tim, of Sugarland; and Tom Sonnier of Dallas; stepson, Gary L. Sterling of Jasper; and stepdaughter, Candy Sterling Cole and her husband, Alan of Manassas Park, Virginia; sisters-in-law; Joan Sonnier of Port Arthur and Joyce Wood Winfree of Sanger; brother-in-law, Garrie A. Wood, Jr. and his wife, Kim, of Silsbee; fourteen grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

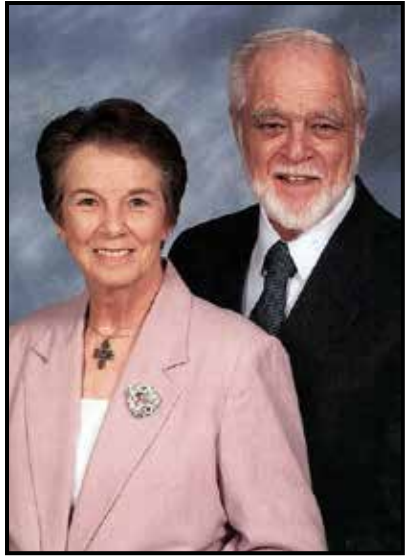
He is preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Fred L. Sonnier and Robert “Bob” Sonnier; daughter, Cheryl “Cupcake” Sonnier Dana; sons, James D. “Jimmy” Sonnier; mother of his children, Mary Dempsey Sonnier; and sisters-in-law, Nadine Wood Sonnier and Trudeen Swain.



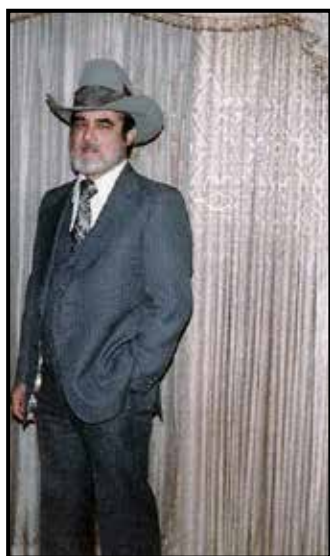
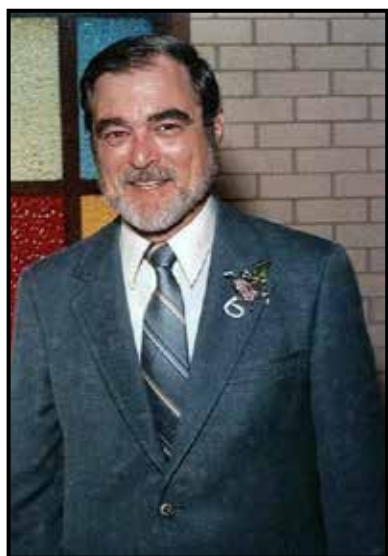


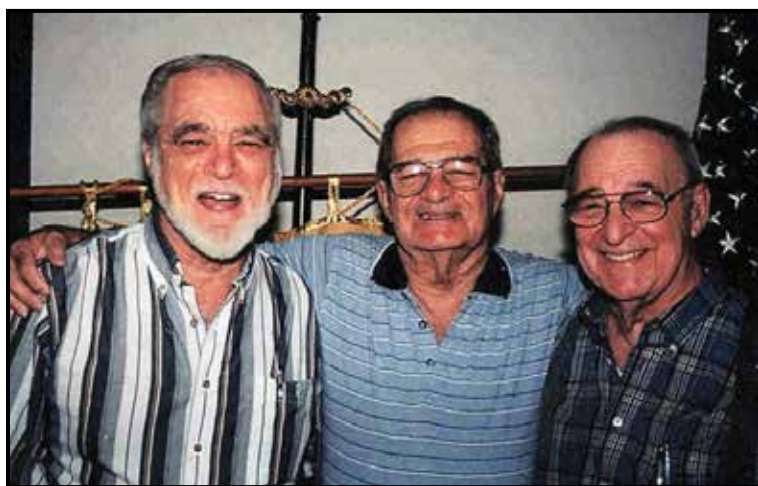
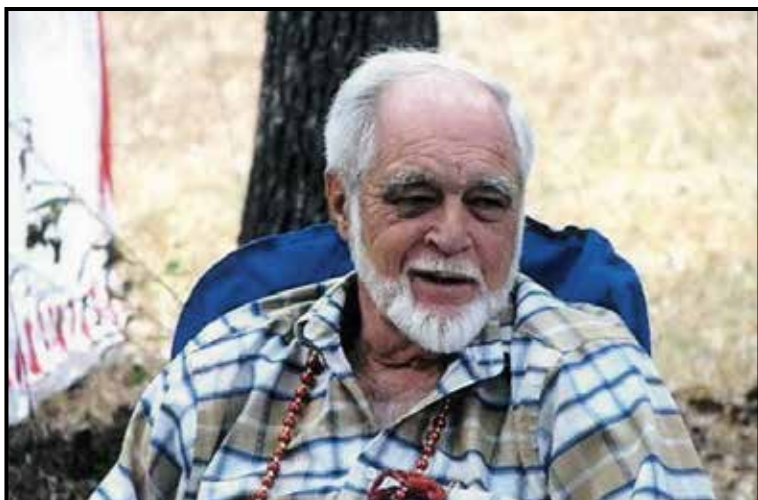


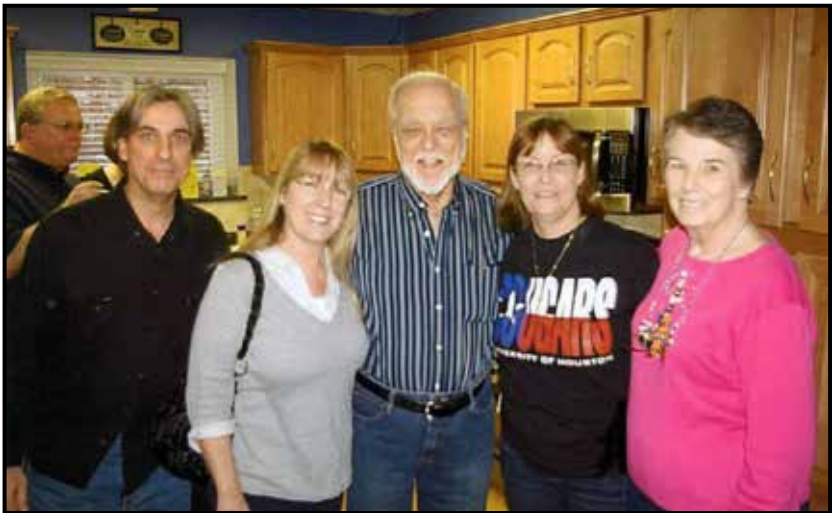












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Celebrant	Reverend Andy Moore
Placing of the Pall	Children
Gift Bearers	Grandchildren
Lectors	Joshua Cole, Reagan Gear, Andrew Cole
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Ronnie Vincent, Kathy Vincent Orelia Robbins
Pallbearers	T.J. Pearce, Chase Sonnier, John Sonnier James Sterling, Wade Holland
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**Interment**

Monday, April 10, 2017 1:30 p.m.  
 Oak Bluff Memorial Park  
 Port Neches, Texas



Please sign Mr. Sonnier's guest book and share your memories at  
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