

Ernest "Coony" Sonnier, Sr. September 24, 1927 - January 26, 2019

#### **Mass of Christian Burial**

Wednesday, January 30, 2019 10:00 a.m. St. Therese, the Little Flower of Jesus Catholic Church Port Arthur, Texas

# **ENTRANCE PROCESSION**

Processional

"Here I Am, Lord"

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

As a reminder of Coony'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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 23

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

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10

Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

#### THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Matthew 11:25-30

#### **HOMILY**

Prayers of the Faithful

Response:

"Lord, hear our prayer"

# **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Preparation of the Gifts

# **COMMUNION RITE**

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

Communion "Go In Peace"

Meditation Music "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

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 "On Eagle's Wings"



Ernest "Coony" Sonnier, Sr., 91, of Port Acres, died Saturday, January 26, 2019, at The Medical Center of Southeast Texas, Port Arthur, surrounded by his family. He was born September 24, 1927, in Nederland but raised in Jennings, Louisiana, by Rosa Vincent Sonnier and John Ferdinand Sonnier.

Coony was an outdoorsman that loved doing yard work and cutting grass. In his words, "it's never too hot to cut grass." He enjoyed spending time at his camp at Toledo Bend, traveling, and riding his John Deere lawn tractor. He was

also very proud of his Cajun heritage and loved to listen to Cajun music. He never met a stranger and enjoyed visiting with anyone. He enjoyed his work as a painter for J & L Steele and Courtland Corporation for over thirty-five years. Most of all, he loved to be with his family.

Survivors include his son, Ernest "Cookie" Sonnier, Jr., and his wife, Jane, of Fannett; daughter, Dianna Wright and her husband, Richard, of Port Acres; grandchildren, David Sonnier and his wife, Kristi; Jerry Sonnier and his wife, Misty; Debbie Henry and her husband, Jeff; Karl Wright and his wife, Traci; Jeffrey Wright and his wife, Stormy; and Deidra Mayer and her husband, Brad; fifteen great-grandchildren; and brother, Clesma Sonnier, of Port Acres.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Rosa and John Ferdinand Sonnier; his wife of sixty-five years., Leatrice Sonnier; four sisters; and one brother.



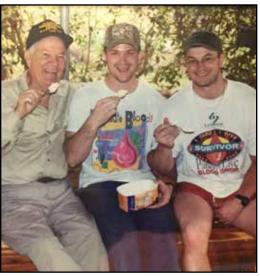




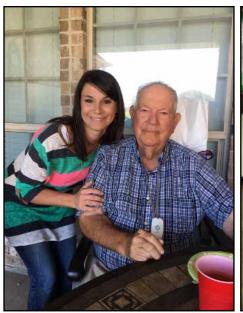














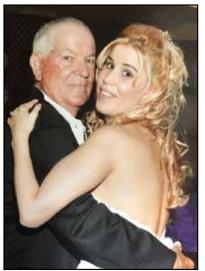




























Celebrant Reverend James D. McClintock Placing of the Pall Jaxin Mayer, Blake Sonnier

Kristi Sonnier, Shaylee Sonnier

Gift Bearers Rylee Henry, Carson Henry

Brooke Mayer, Katie Wright

Lectors Shaylee Sonnier, Kristi Sonnier

Music Ministers The Little Flower Choir

Pallbearers David Sonnier, Jerry Sonnier

Karl Wright, Jeffrey Wright Brad Mayer, Jeff Henry

Honorary Pallbearers Wayne Sonnier, Nathan Wright

Blake Sonnier, Jaxin Mayer

#### Interment

Greenlawn Memorial Park Groves, Texas

#### **Memorial Contributions**

St. Therese, the Little Flower of Jesus Catholic Church 6412 Garnet Avenue Port Arthur, Texas 77640

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To a Charity of One's Choice

