

Liturgy of Christian Burial

✠ Ernest J. Venza

September 15, 1940 - October 16, 2017

Saturday, October 21, 2017 11:00 a.m.

St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica
Beaumont, Texas



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

Mother Teresa

Gathering Rites

Reception at the Cathedral Door

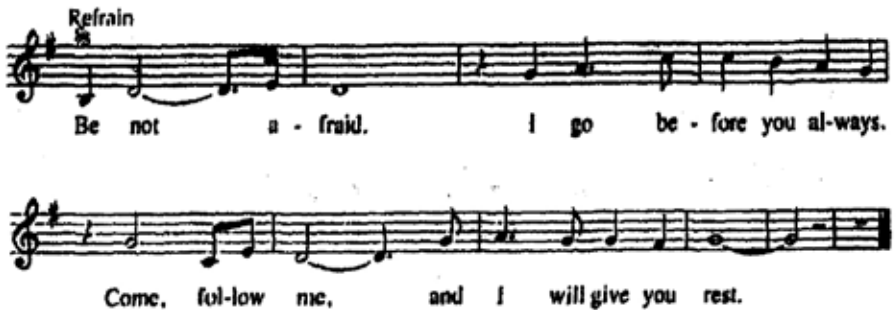
Ernest was baptized in Christ. His body is now received at the door of the Cathedral, sprinkled with holy water and covered with the white pall as a reminder of his baptism.

We pray that as Ernest died and rose with Christ, that he may now be clothed in the radiance of Christ's eternal glory.

Procession

Gathering Hymn

Be Not Afraid



Opening Prayer



Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6, 7-9

Responsorial Psalm

Shepherd Me O God- Psalm 23

Refrain



Second Reading

Romans 8:31-35, 37-39

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel

John 14:1-6

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

On Eagle's Wings

Refrain

And he will raise you up on ea - gle's wings, bear you on the
breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and
hold you in the palm of his hand.

After last refrain

And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

The image shows a musical score for the song 'On Eagle's Wings'. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first three staves are the main refrain, and the fourth is a post-refrain. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff starts with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The music is written in a simple, melodic style. The lyrics are: 'And he will raise you up on ea - gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.' The second staff continues the melody. The third staff ends with a double bar line. The fourth staff is labeled 'After last refrain' and continues the melody with the lyrics 'And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.'

Preface Acclamation (Holy, Holy, Holy)

Memorial Acclamation

Great Amen

Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

Breaking of the Bread Litany (Lamb of God)

Reception of Holy Communion

For Catholics: *As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity of confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible. (Code of Canon Law, Canon 916). A frequent reception of the sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.*

For other Christians: *We welcome all Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common Baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions that separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they all may be one" (John 17:21). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own churches. According to the Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Holy Communion by Christians of these churches. (Canon 844§3).*

Canon law provides Eucharistic sharing by other Christians who do not have full communion with the Catholic Church only when the diocesan bishop deems there is an exceptional circumstance and the following conditions are present: the other Christian on their own asks for the sacrament, they manifest a Catholic faith in the sacrament, are properly disposed and cannot approach a minister of their own community (Canon 844§4).

For non-Christians: *We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. We have high regard for their traditions, friendship, and join them in promoting unity among all peoples. It is our joy to unite with them in praying for the peace and unity of the human family while respecting our common traditions, which do not include Eucharist sharing.*

For all not receiving Communion: *All who are not receiving Holy Communion are invited to express their prayerful desire for unity with God and with one another by approaching the altar at communion time with their hands crossed over their hearts. The minister will pray for this unity at the front of the Cathedral with all those in the communion line who have their hands crossed over their hearts.*

Communion Hymn

I Am the Bread of Life

1. I am the Bread of life, You who
2. bread that I will give is my
3. Un- less you eat of the
4. I am the Res- ur- rec- tion, that
5. Yes, Lord, I be- lieve that

(c) D \flat (Cmaj 7) (D \flat SUS) (D \flat)
come to me shall not hun- ger; and who be-
flesh for the life of the world, and if you
flesh of the Son of Man and
I am the life, If you be-
you are the Christ, the

Prayer after Communion

Final Commendation

Invitation to Prayer

Song of Farewell

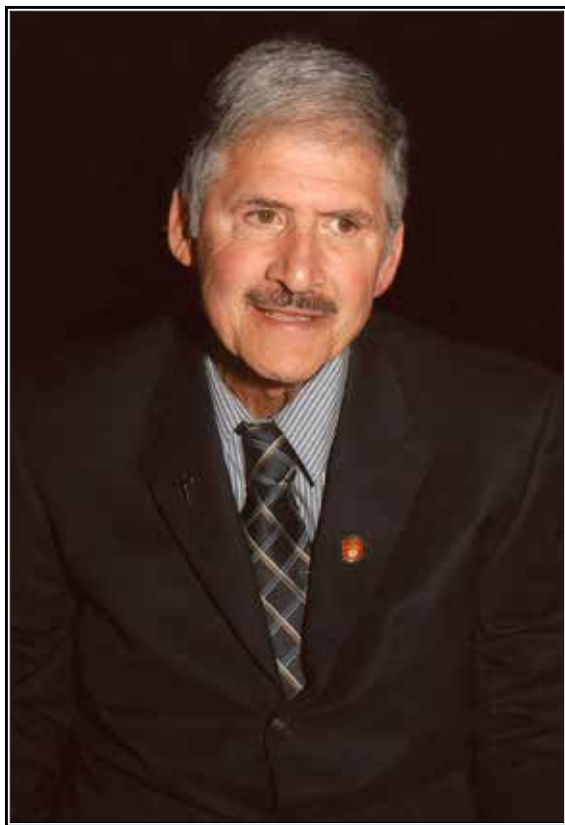
The musical score is written on seven staves in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The melody is simple and melodic, with lyrics written below the notes. Dynamics include *mp* (mezzo-piano) and *mf* (mezzo-forte). The piece concludes with a double bar line.

mp
May songs of the an - gels wel - come you and
guide you a - long your way. — May the
smiles of the mar - tyrs greet your own as
dark - ness turns in-to day. — *mf* Ev - 'ry fear will
mp be un - done and death will be no
more, — as songs of the an - gels
bring you home be - fore the face of God. —

Prayer of Commendation

Song of Commendation

Songs of the Angels

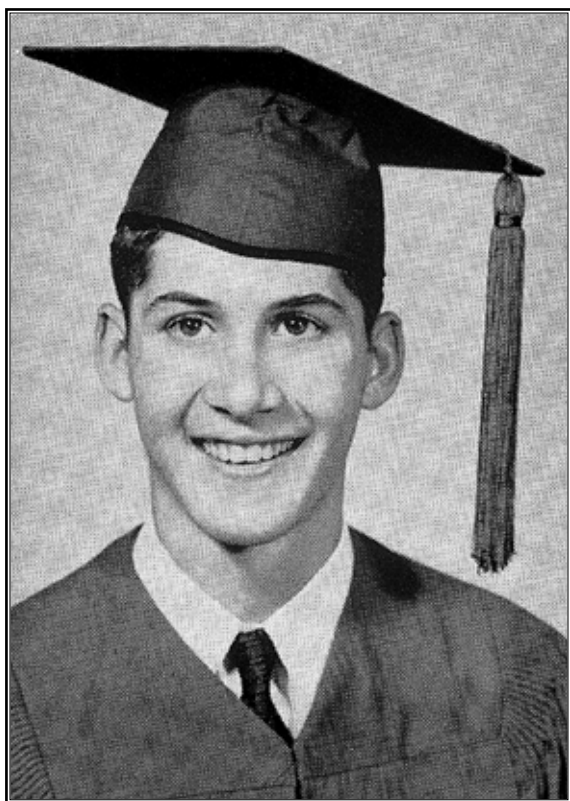
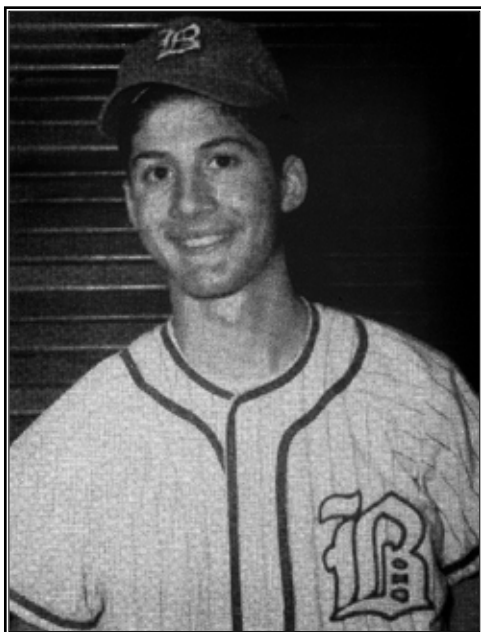


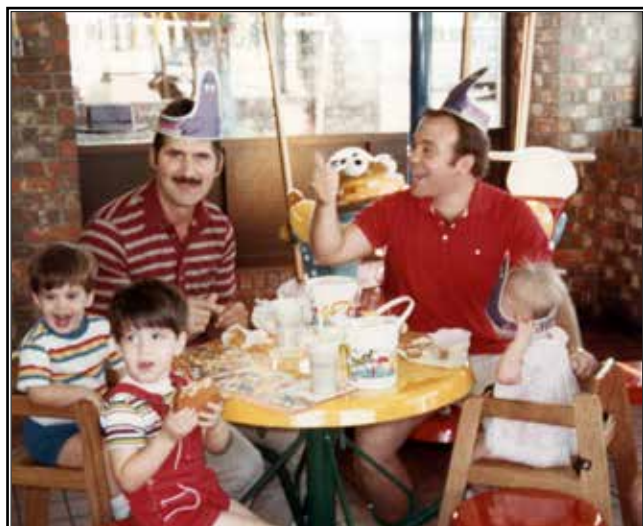
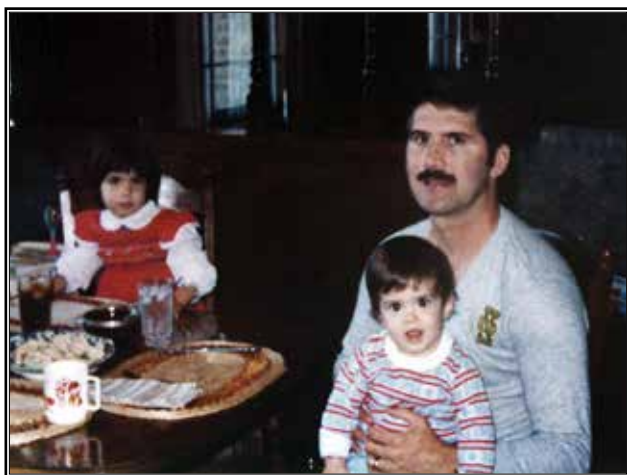
Ernest J. Venza, beloved husband, father, and grandfather, passed away on Monday, October 16, 2017, in Houston. Ernie, known to his loved ones as “Boo”, was born on September 15, 1940, in Beaumont. He attended Beaumont High School, where he played second base for the BHS baseball team, and he also attended Lamar University. Ernie was so proud of his service to his country as a United States Marine. He retired from Harris County Precinct 5 after twenty-five years as a deputy constable.

Ernie values most his relationship with God and his family. He was an avid sports enthusiast, always up for a good baseball game or cheering on his Fighting Irish. More recently, Ernie enjoyed volunteering at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, in Houston.

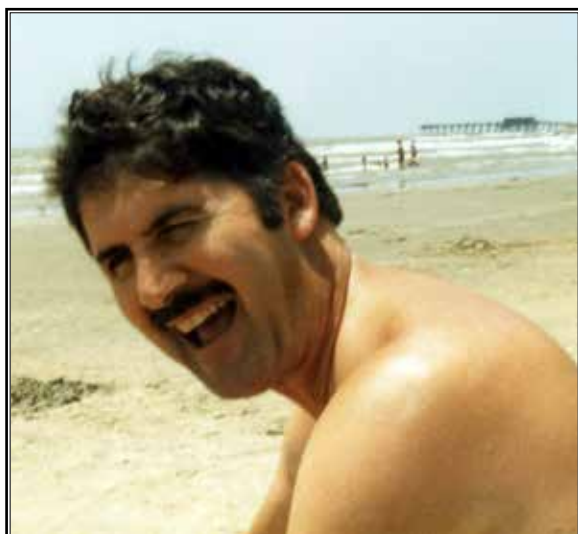
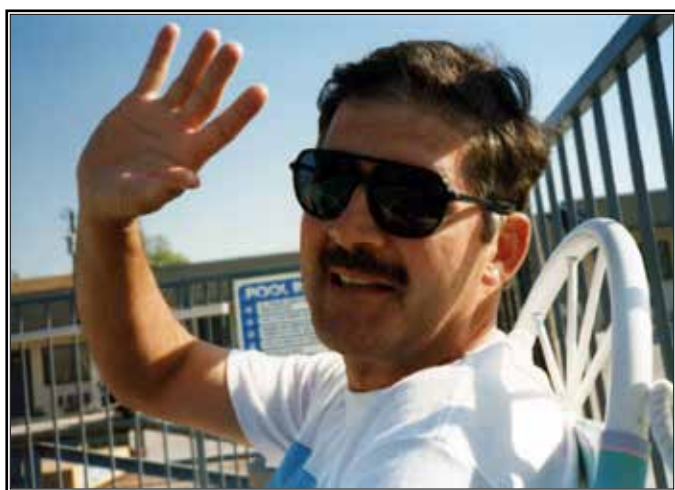
He is survived by his devoted wife of forty-two years, Wanda Robertson Venza; daughter Juliana Venza Crawford and her husband, Judson, of Dallas; son Marco Venza and his wife, Michelle Venza, of Houston; sister, Marguerite Venza Guinn, of Houston; three grandchildren, Evan Venza, Natalie Venza, and Eden Crawford; mother-in-law, Eugenia Robertson; sister-in-law, Debby Shackelford and her husband, Donald; and nephews, Jay Guinn, Jeff Guinn, and Jason Shackelford.

Ernie is preceded in death by his parents, Edia and Julian Venza.

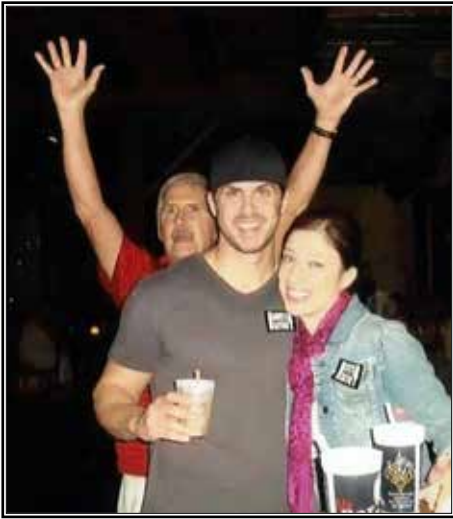


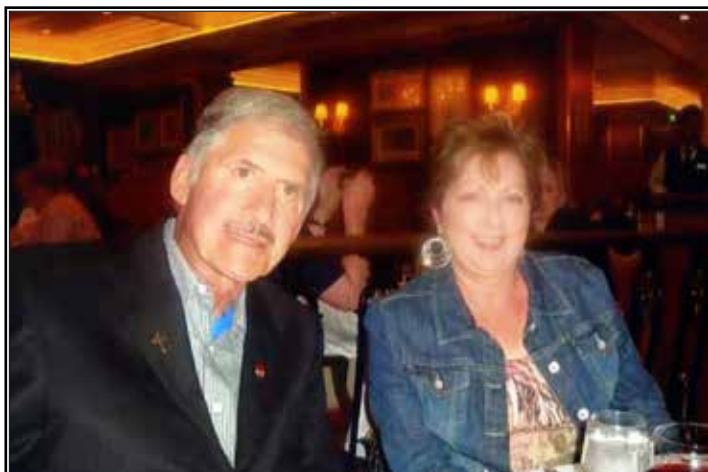














Celebrant
Placing the Pall

Reverend Monsignor Jack Dinkins
Marco Venza, Michelle Venza
Juliana Crawford, Judson Crawford

Gift Bearers

Marco Venza, Michelle Venza
Evan Venza, Natalie Venza

Servers

Provided by St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica

Lectors

Marguerite Venza Guinn, Almie Pachoco Latimore

Cantor

Abigail Dueppen

Organist

Paul Holliday

Pallbearers

Judson Crawford, Jonathon Love, Marshall Preslar
Jay Guinn, Jeff Guinn, Donald Shackelford



Interment

Magnolia Cemetery
Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions

Co-Cathedral Sacred Heart
1111 St. Joseph Parkway at San Jacinto
Houston, Texas 77702

Reception to follow at
5980 Honeysuckle Drive, Beaumont, Texas 77706.



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