

**Anthony McDade  
“Mickey” Phelan, Jr.**

**October 11, 1931 - July 9, 2021**

**Mass of Christian Burial**  
Thursday, July 15, 2021 12:00 p.m.  
St. Anne Catholic Church  
Beaumont, Texas

Processional

“*Servant Song*”

## **GATHERING RITE**

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

As a reminder of Mickey’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

Wisdom 3: 1-9

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23

Response: *“Shepherd Me, O God.”*

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-2

Gospel Acclamation

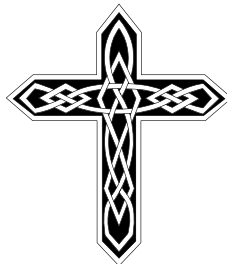
Gospel Reading

John 14:1-6

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful

Response: *“Lord, hear our prayer.”*



# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts	<i>"Prayer of St. Francis"</i>
Eucharistic Acclamations	Holy, Holy, Holy Mystery of Faith Great Amen
Communion Rite	The Lord's Prayer Sign of Peace Lamb of God
Communion	<i>"One Bread, One Body"</i>
Meditation	<i>"Ave Maria"</i>
Prayer After Communion	

## FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation of Prayer

Song of Farewell:

**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.**

Prayer of Commendation

PROCESSION TO PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Recessional *"Songs of the Angels"*

*Anthony McDade “Mickey” Phelan, Jr.*, 89 years old, died peacefully in his sleep on Friday, July 9, 2021. Mickey was the oldest child of Anthony McDade Phelan and Katherine Huey Phelan of Beaumont Texas. He attended St. Anne’s Catholic School, St. Anthony High School and went on to complete his BBA degree from Loyola University in New Orleans in 1954. Mickey served in the U.S. Army between 1954 and 1956 as a chaplain’s assistant and supply records specialist. Following his service, he resided in New Orleans, LA working for Neilson-Moran Marine Corporation. He moved back to Beaumont and worked in real estate sales, land development, and building houses. He also spent some time in St. Louis Missouri where he worked in the Clayton Brokerage Company developing trade contracts for information purposes and worked on supply/demand projections with particular emphasis in the soybean complex. From 1968-1978, Mickey lived in Chicago Illinois where he maintained personal memberships in the Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago Board Options Exchange, and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. Wanting to be closer to his family and his children, he returned finally to Beaumont in September 1978, where he dealt with personal financial and real estate investments, ultimately working as a lease broker.

Two of Mickey’s great loves were books and technology. He was a voracious reader, and he could easily discuss anything from St. Augustine to Tarzan. Mickey became extremely proficient with the use of computers to the extent that he was one of the first “computer consultants” at St. Anne School when his nephew Andrew Phelan volunteered him to come to the school to solve some technological problems. He continued to keep up with tech trends and tinker with computers for decade.

Family was an integral part of Mickey's life. He married his wife, Elizabeth Lathrop Phelan in December of 1986, and they lived in the same neighborhood as his parents and brother Patrick. Mickey's life has been filled with family gatherings, large and small. When he was blessed with grandchildren, he enjoyed regular sleepovers and movie nights in Beaumont with the children of sons Mickey and Danny, and the son of Elizabeth's daughter Erin coming in from New Orleans. Trips to see his daughter Airey, who lived in Illinois with her family were also an important part of his life. On those trips, several beloved dachshunds accompanied Mickey and Elizabeth, to the great delight of Airey's children. Mickey and Elizabeth took several trips to Yellowstone National Park with groups of four grandchildren at a time, making many happy memories along the way to be treasured over the years. Grandchildren, and all their comings and goings, and their achievements, including the frequent videos of school performances, gave him great joy.

Mickey has been a regular at the 7:00 AM Sunday Mass at St. Anne's Catholic Church for many years. He never missed the pancake breakfasts hosted by the St. Anne's Filipino community. He loved and supported St. Anne's Catholic School and Monsignor Kelly High School where several of his grandchildren and his stepdaughter were educated. Mickey was honored in recent years as being the first child to enroll at St. Anne's. His Catholicism was a dominant force in his life, having been lovingly handed down over the generations to him, and from him to his children and grandchildren. He often mentioned how blessed he was to believe. Mickey lived simply, never one to try and impress others, yet he practiced a pattern of quiet generosity to many.

Mickey is survived by his devoted wife of thirty-four years, Elizabeth Lathrop Phelan; his children, Anthony McDade Phelan III, Daniel Christopher Phelan, of Beaumont; daughter, Mary Jane “Airey” Pizzini; and stepdaughter, Erin Lee Muggivan, both of New Orleans; his grandchildren include, John Thomas “Tommy” Pizzini, Jr., Katherine Elise “Katie” Pizzini, Michael William Pizzini, Anne McDade Pizzini Oddo, Hannah Cunningham Pizzini, Anthony McDade “Mickey” Phelan IV, John Paul Phelan, Kathryn Elizabeth Phelan, Daniel Christopher “Chris” Phelan, Patrick McDade Phelan, and Fionn Patrick Dominic Muggivan. Mickey is survived by his siblings, Katherine Phelan Carmody, Johannah Cunningham Phelan, Margaret Phelan Green, Mary Ellen Phelan Hunt, Colleen Phelan McMahan, Lillian Phelan Bean, Patrick Henry Phelan, Michael Arthur Phelan, Courtenay Phelan, and Harry Dennis Phelan.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Daniel Christopher Phelan and Patrick Phelan, and his parents, Anthony McDade Phelan and Katherine Huey Phelan.

The family would like to express our deepest gratitude to Mickey’s sitters whose loving care provided him with joy and comfort each and every day: Cynthia Bernard, Neoma Robinson, Raul Capanzana, Angela Hamilton, and Diane Tyler.

Special thanks also to Altus Hospice nurse Chelsea Mills and Mickey’s longtime physician Jeremy Huff, D.O.



**Lord, Make me an instrument of Your  
peace; Where there is hatred, let me sow  
Your love. Where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is discord, union; Where  
there is doubt, faith; Where there is  
despair, hope; Where there is darkness,  
light; Where there is sadness, joy.  
O, Divine Master, grant that I may  
not so much seek to be consoled as  
to console, To be understood, as to  
understand, To be loved as to love. For  
it is in giving that we receive, It is in  
pardoning that we are pardoned, And it is  
in dying that we are born to eternal life.**

Presiding	Very Reverend Bishop Curtis Guillory, S.V.D., D.D.
Celebrant	Reverend Monsignor Michael A. Jamail
Con-Celebrants	Reverend Thomas E. Phelan, Homilist Reverend Monsignor Salvador J. Culotta Reverend Rodel V. Faller Reverend Martin L. Nelson
Deacons of the Mass	Reverend Mr. Joe Scheurich, Reverend Mr. Clint Elkins
Placing of the Pall	Kathrine "Katie" Elise Pizzini Kathryn Elizabeth Phelan Hannah Cunningham Pizzini Anne McDade Pizzini Oddo
Gift Bearers	Matthew Stafford "Ford" Phelan Nicholas McDade "Mack" Phelan Cullen Elizabeth Phelan
Lectors	Thomas Gaughn Carmody, Jr., Edward "Hart" Green V
Organist	Dr. Scott Feldhausen
Cantor	Judy Serio
Pallbearers	Anthony McDade "Mickey" Phelan IV John Paul Phelan, Fionn Muggifan Michael Phelan, Daniel Christopher "Chris" Phelan, Jr. Patrick McDade Phelan, Jackson Meadows Pete Miusgrove
Honorary Pallbearers	Ryan Thompson Bean, Kevin McMahon, Jack Phelan John Thomas "Tommy" Pizzini, Jr., Everett Green Michael William Pizzini, Harry "Dennis" Phelan, Jr.

**Interment**

Magnolia Cemetery  
Beaumont, Texas

**Military Honors**

Southeast Texas Veterans Service Group

**Memorial Contributions**

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