



Constance "Connie" Brocato Brocato

Mass of Christian Burial

Monday, November 29, 2021 10:00 a.m.

St. Anne Catholic Church

Beaumont, Texas

Processional

“Here I Am, Lord”

GATHERING RITE

GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY

As a reminder of Constance’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.”

Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Wisdom 3:1-9

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 27

Response: *“The Lord is my light and my salvation.”*

Second Reading

Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:25-30

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful

Response: *“Lord, hear our prayer”*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts	<i>“Be Not Afraid”</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>“On Eagle’s Wings”</i>
Meditation	<i>“Amazing Grace”</i>
Prayer After Communion	

FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation of Prayer

Song of Farewell:

PRESIDER: Saints of God, come to her aid. Hasten to meet her angels of the Lord.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER 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 HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

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

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.

Prayer of Commendation

PROCESSION TO PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Recessional *“Songs of the Angels”*



Constance “Connie” Brocato Brocato, 93, of Beaumont, Texas died Friday, November 19, 2021. She was born on July 5, 1928, in Shreveport, Louisiana, to Charles A. Brocato and Amelia Serio Brocato.

The family moved to Beaumont soon afterwards to open a grocery store. At 16, she met a military policeman named Charles “Charlie” Robert Brocato, who was stationed in Beaumont. He visited her parents’ grocery store because he was intrigued by the name “Brocato” on the sign. Connie’s parents invited the soldier from Oakmont, Pennsylvania to

eat a Sunday Lunch of Spaghetti at their home, and romance blossomed shortly after.

Connie married Charlie at age of 18 and celebrated 48 years of marriage before Charlie died in 1994. She took pride in having a Brocato name and in marrying a Brocato (Charlie’s family was not related).

Connie was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend. She found joy in spending time with her family, cooking in kitchen, and always had an open and welcoming home. She was co-owner with her husband Charlie of Charlie’s Grocery on Lindbergh Drive. They spent countless hours working hard in the grocery, eventually adding a deli and liquor store of the years. You could always find delicious, home – cooked specialties in the deli.

A 1945 graduate of Beaumont High School, Connie remained friends with her classmates, often meeting once a month at local restaurants for lunch. She enjoyed her weekly poker games with longtime friends. COVID put an end to the lunches and the poker games, and things were never the same. Connie loved being around family and friends, having holidays at her home, and an “open house” every Sunday at 2:00 p.m., for coffee and desserts. Her favorite foods to make were rice balls and fig cookies.

Survivors include children, Linda Fortney Galbreath and her husband, John; and Charles R. Brocato, Jr. and his wife, Sandy; grandchildren, Cindy Shelton, Charles Brocato III, Paul Brocato, Michael Brocato; David C. Fortney, Kevin M. Fortney; and Margaret Shelton, wife of Jed Shelton; great-grandchildren, Danielle Shelton, Mackenzie Shelton, Megan Shelton, Kenedi Brocato, Hunter Brocato, Karley Riley, Olyvia Brocato, Parker Brocato, Obree Brocato, Elliott Fortney, and Grey Fortney. She leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Connie was preceded in death by her daughter, Concetta Shelton; son-in-law, Larry Shelton; grandson, Jed Shelton; son-in-law, David M. Fortney; sister, Rosalie Arena; and brother-in-law, Joe Arena.

The family would like to thank Kindred Hospice and all of the staff, nurses, aides, and chaplains for their excellent care of Connie during her final months. A special thanks to sitters Tasha and Latosha Bias for their tender care, Rose Delano, Debbie Wiggins, Becky Brittain, Cathy and James Chavez, Father David McCrate, and all those who have provided food and prayers.













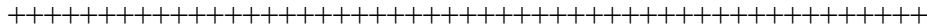




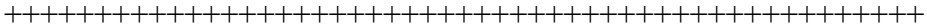








Celebrant	Reverend D. Stephen McCrate
Placing of the Pall	Linda Galbreath, Charles Brocato, Jr.
Gift Bearers	Mackenzie Shelton, Megan Shelton Danielle Shelton
Music Minister	Dr. Scott Feldhausen
Cantor	Judy Serio
Lector	Joe Arena, Jr.
Pallbearers	Kevin Fortney, David Fortney Charles Brocato III, Michael Brocato Joe Arena, Jr., Chuck Arena Cindy Shelton



Interment

Forest Lawn Memorial Park
Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions

Organization of One's Choice



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