

# Todd East

January 13, 1962 - December 1, 2023

**Mass of Christian Burial**

Thursday, December 7, 2023 11:00 a.m.

St. Louis Catholic Church

Winnie, Texas

Processional

*“On Eagle’s Wings”*

## **GATHERING RITE**

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

As a reminder of Todd’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 3:1-6

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23

Response: *“The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.”*

Second Reading

II Corinthians 4:14-5:1

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>"I Am the Bread of Life"</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>"I Can Only Imagine"</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 *"Hallelujah"*



*Todd East* passed away on December 1, 2023, in Beaumont, Texas surrounded by his family and loved ones. He was born on January 13, 1962, in Anahuac, Texas to Mazie and Donald East.

Todd was a career history teacher and coach beginning in 1985 in Groveton, Texas. It was there where he married the love of his life, Brenda Golding East in 1987, and where their first born, Keaton, arrived in 1991.

From there the family moved to High Island, Texas

where he continued his coaching and teaching and where they welcomed their second child, Mattie, in 1994.

In 1995, they made their way back home to Winnie, and Todd settled in at East Chambers High School teaching and coaching for twenty-five more years before retiring in 2021.

Left to cherish his memory are countless friends and a loving and devoted family; his wife, Brenda; daughter, Keaton Ballard and son-in-law, Aaron Ballard; grandchildren, Blaize and Goldie; daughter, Mattie and grandchildren, Paxton and Sawyer. He is also survived by his parents, Mazie and Donald East and siblings, Brian East, Daphne Matthews, and Nicole Touchet, along with their families. Also, his mother-in-law, Beth Golding and sisters-in-law, Lynda Hoffpauir and Gena Campbell, along with their families.

He is preceded in death by grandparents, Blaize and Matile Guidry and Walter and Marie East, along with step grandmother, Anite East and father-in-law, Eddie Golding.

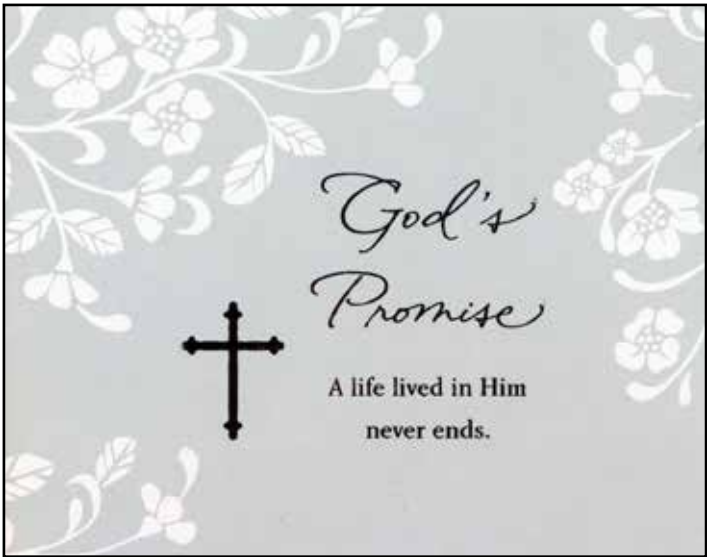
Todd loved life, his family, his home, all of the many colleagues from the three districts where he worked, and the hundreds of former students he mentored, taught, and coached. His extended family was large and there are simply too many to name who meant so much to him. His life was full and complete.

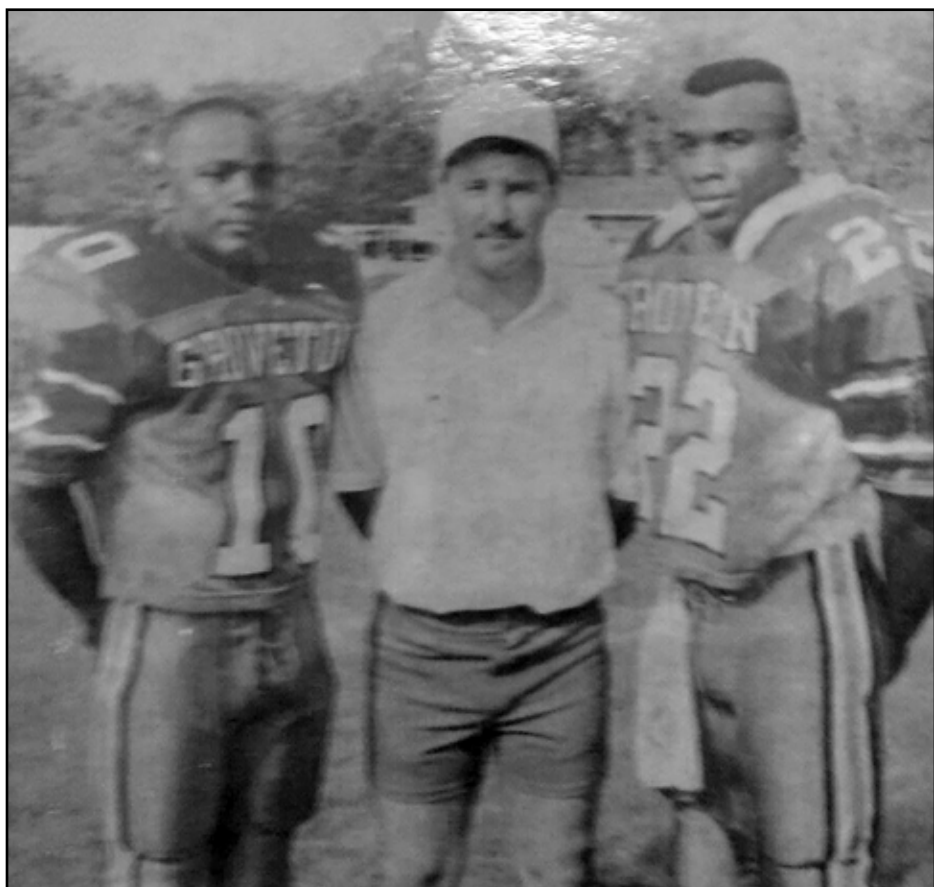
Todd enjoyed hosting countless guests in the outdoor man-cave Brenda and he built so they could entertain the large circle of friends and family who surrounded them on a regular basis. He had an exceptional green thumb and kept a beautifully landscaped yard year round. Being with family and friends visiting in his backyard is what he enjoyed most in life.

Coach East was the model husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle, and friend anyone could aspire to be like. He was the best “Bops” to his beautiful grandchildren, and they were with him most of the time outside in that yard he built for them.

There are so many left to cherish and celebrate his life that his legacy will endure for generations to come. He will be so deeply missed, and what little comfort we can find is that his suffering is over and he is now in Heaven looking out for those precious babies.

The family wants all of you to know we shall never forget how you “Huddled Up For Coach East” just one month ago. He could feel the outpouring of love from his hospital bed in Houston, and it gave him the strength he needed to fight. He gave it his all for his friends and his family until the very end

























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Celebrant	Reverend D. Stephen McCrate
Con-Celebrant	Reverend Phillip Tran
Placing of the Pall	Brenda East, Keaton Ballard, Mattie East
Gift Bearers	Brian East, Daphne Matthews, Nicole Touchet
Lectors	Taylor Reddell and Melissa Hodges
Eucharistic Ministers	Cathy Reddell, Rose Guillory, Gen Koch
Music Ministers	Denise Broussard, Mason Munoz, Chris Kurek
Pallbearers	Chris Burdette, Matt DeYoung, Chris Fontenot Arthur Guidry, Tim Matkin, Kerry Winters Lonny Winters, Waylon Strain
Honorary Pallbearers	Jimmy Cossey, Andy Evans, Larry Fortenberry Danny Lovett, Aaron Strain, Tony Valastro Scott Phillips

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**Interment**

Fairview Cemetery  
Winnie, Texas

**Memorial Contributions**

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