

Fermin Martin Cosca

February 14, 1956 - February 9, 2024

Funeral Mass

Saturday, February 24, 2024 11:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth Catholic Church Port Neches, Texas

GATHERING RITE

GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY

As a reminder of Fermin'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 Lamentations 3:17-26

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 23

Response: "The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want."

Second Reading Romans 5:5-11

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 "Sacred Silence"

Eucharistic Acclamations Holy, Holy, Holy

Mystery of Faith Great Amen

Communion Rite The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace Lamb of God

Communion "You Are Mine"

Meditation "Ave Maria"

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

Recessional "You Are Near"



With his family by his side, and watching him sleep peacefully, *Fermin Martin Cosca*, 67, left his mortal home to find his Eternal rest on Friday, February 9, 2024. He was born on February 14, 1956, in Cavite, Philippines, to Sofia Martin and Raymundo Cosca, Sr. Our forever Valentine was a dedicated husband and adoring father who showed his love through small and large actions. He was a brother, uncle, and friend to those he had the opportunity to lovingly tease. He brought smiles to all he encountered with his sense of humor and honesty.

Fermin's generous soul was felt through gestures of gift-giving, complimenting, and requesting "food specialties" without reservation. If he knew you made something well, he was never afraid to ask. A jokester, he always made those around him laugh with little quips and phrases.

With a Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry, Fermin worked as a Chemist/Medical Technologist at Mid-Jefferson Hospital (later known as The Medical Center of SETX) in Nederland, Texas for 25 years. Growing up in the Philippines, he came to New York first, then moved and worked in California, where he met his wife, Cecile. They both decided to move back to New York, married, and had their first child, Gerard. Their little princess, Clarissa, was born 14 months later when they moved to Texas and settled in Port Neches for the last 31 years.

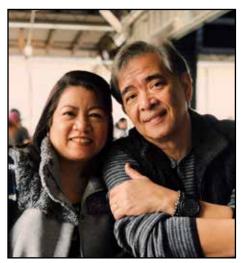
His hobbies include gardening, floral arrangements & design, drawing, and innovatively rebuilding anything he could from used furniture to bird baths. He loved decorating for holidays – especially his Christmas wreath, tree and manger. His sense of fashion & style were unmatched – rarely following trends but dressing with confidence in whatever he liked. Fermin was meticulously clean, always with distinct scent or cologne, groomed, and never left a tag untucked or a thread loose. You always knew when he was nearby. His love for bowling has been passed down to his son, Gerard – who strives to make him proud. Most people, especially his nieces and nephews, will remember his love for sweets – always giving away chocolate or treats in his pocket and whatever he had in his candy collection at home. He loved animals, especially birds and his little twin valentine birthday of 16 years, MaryJane.

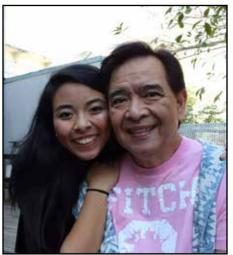
Although often a man of few words, his love was always felt. As a husband, Fermin deeply adored his wife, Cecile. From the moment he pursued her, he showered her with gifts as his expression of love and never wanted to be apart from her since the start of their 35 years together. Her protector, he was a true romantic at heart, fulfilling his duty as her lifelong valentine. He was the greatest father that his children could dream of – never saying "no" and making sure they always felt his love even in his silence. Fermin truly made his family his world, and they lost a large part of theirs when he left to go with Jesus.

Although his life was not defined by cancer, in November of 2016, he started the most difficult battle of his life. Fermin fought with a quiet but ferocious spirit despite the unimaginable pain and sorrow he faced. During difficult times, he turned to his faith for strength, and inspired those around him with a positive disposition and even encouragement when he met others fighting similar battles. Until the end, he never gave up and inspired both his family and friends with his determination to continue treatment.

Survivors include his wife of thirty-five years, Cecile Puzon-Cosca; his son, Gerard and partner, Jennifer Irving; his daughter, Clarissa and her husband, Christopher Collins; brothers, Raymundo Jr., Enrique, David, Mariano, and Ramir; sisters, Dorcas Eusebio and Miriam Cruz; nieces, nephews, and Godgiven friends who he considered family.

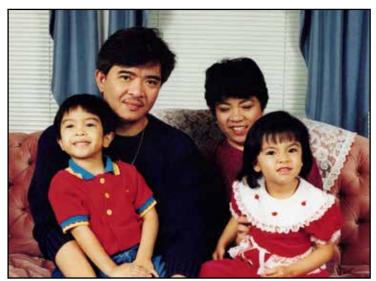
He is preceded in death by his father, Raymundo Sr.; mother, Sofia; and three newborn siblings.







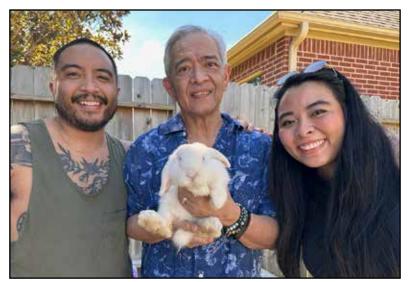


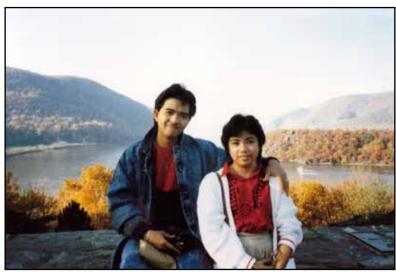














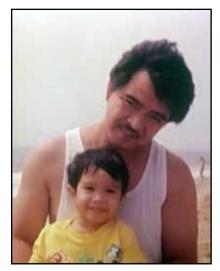












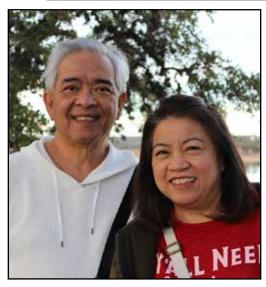














Celebrant Reverend Ernie Carpio
Con-Celebrant Reverend Shiju Churakal
Placing of the Pall Philip Gerard Cosca

Gift Bearers Cecile Cosca, Philip Gerard Cosca

Clarissa Collins

Lectors Christopher Collins and Jennifer Irving

Music Minister Jennifer Manuel Wang

Pallbearers Philip Gerard Cosca, Christopher Collins

Enrique Cosca, DJ Cosca, Raymel Cosca Derrick Cosca, Rene Manuel, Peter Puzon

Don Cabangan, Christian Tuazon

Honorary Pallbearers Ray Cosca, Jr., Mariano Cosca

David Cosca, Ramir Cosca Manny Hababag, Rey Tuazon Ernie Cabangan, Mark Rupley

Peter Abalos, John Luna

Committal

Broussard's Crematorium Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions

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