



Romaine John “R.J.” Roach
October 31, 1930 - July 14, 2025

OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Wisdom 3:1-6, 9

Responsorial

Psalm 23

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

Gospel

John 14:1-6

HOMILY

Prayers of the Faithful

Response:

“Lord, hear our prayer”

CLOSING PRAYER

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.***



Romaine John “RJ” Roach, a devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and great-great-grandfather and pillar of the Beaumont community, passed away peacefully on Monday, July 14, 2025, at the age of 94, in his hometown of Beaumont, Texas.

Born on Halloween in 1930 to Thelma Broussard Roach and Romaine Roach, Romaine grew up with a strong sense of family, faith, and hard work. He graduated from South Park High School in 1948 and soon after married the love of his life, Bonnie Joyce Matthews Roach, on December 30, 1950. Together they built a beautiful life filled with love, laughter, and unwavering commitment to their family and community.

Romaine dedicated much of his professional life to Marine Pipe and Copper Works, where he proudly served as President and Co-Owner, with Bonnie, setting a strong example of leadership and integrity. He was also a proud member of Pipefitters Local 195, where he forged lifelong friendships and contributed to the trade he so deeply respected.

A true outdoorsman at heart, Romaine found joy in the stillness of nature, spending countless early mornings duck hunting and quiet afternoons in deer stands. He loved to travel, sharing adventures with Bonnie and their loved ones, often with the sounds of Cajun music filling the air and his feet tapping in time to the rhythm of his heritage.

His Catholic faith remained a guiding light throughout his life. He was a dedicated member of St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church and the JOY group, where he cherished the fellowship and spiritual connection shared with his church family.

Romaine is preceded in death by his parents and his beloved wife, Bonnie Joyce Matthews Roach, whom he missed every day since her passing.

He leaves behind a legacy of love, strength, and deep family roots. Survivors include his children, Stephanie Roach Samaha and her husband, Phillip Samaha; Diana Roach McCullough; and David Roach and his wife, Sharon Roach; cherished grandchildren, Matthew Samaha, Tiffinie McCullough, Jenny Folsom Todd, Dustin Roach, Katie Samaha Meeker and her husband, Travis Meeker, Bonnie Folsom Trammell, and Kelly Roach Warren; proud great-grandfather to, Katherine Marlor, Grace Sullivan and her husband, Aaron Galitz, Hannah Sullivan and her fiancé, Shelby Trahan Boudreaux, Gavyn Hollier, Mackenzie Meeker, Chloe Meeker, Zander Trammell, Memphis Trammell, and Sawyer Warren; and adored great-great-grandfather to, Charlotte Sullivan, Brantley Boudreaux, Indie Sullivan, Ellie Sullivan, and arriving soon, Kimberley Boudreaux and Blakeley Boudreaux.

Romaine’s life was a testament to quiet strength, humble leadership, and unconditional love for his family. His stories, laughter, and Cajun spirit will echo in the hearts of those who knew and loved him. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

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Officiant: Reverend D. Stephen McCrate
Pallbearers: Aaron Galitz, Cameron Guyote
Travis Meeker, John Justice, Steve Wilson
Steve Ford

Honorary Pallbearers: Lamar Roach, Jr. and Shelby Boudreaux

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Funeral Service

Monday, July 21, 2025 10:30 a.m.
Broussard's Chapel
Beaumont, Texas

Interment

Magnolia Cemetery
Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
501 St. Jude Place
Memphis, Tennessee 38105



Please sign Mr. Roach's guest book and share your memories at
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