Luis Celerier

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Services for Luis Roberto Celerier 89, of Longview will be at 11 am on Saturday, April 2 at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Longview with Father Jose Luis Vidarte, and Father Mark Dunn officiating. A rosary and visitation will be held from 6 PM to 8 PM Friday, April 1 at the Chapel of Rader Funeral Home in Longview. Mr. Celerier passed away peacefully on March 2, 2022, at home in Longview.

Luis was born on May 13, 1932, in Panama to the late Louis and Blanca Celerier. He moved to the United States to attend college at Texas A&M, graduating in 1955. He married Etheleen Wallace from Henderson, Texas on December 30, 1956. Luis served in the Texas National Guard, the U.S. Army and Civil Air Patrol. He worked for Axelson, Inc. in various positions for 40 years before retiring in January of 1996. Luis pledged alliance to the U.S. as a soldier and again when he was granted Naturalization papers in 1962, proud moments in his life. He loved this country with the freedoms it offered, and he was an enthusiastic advocate of the right to express an opinion.

Luis was a talented artist and photographer and enjoyed traveling in East Texas. One of his favorite retirement pastimes was meeting with friends for coffee and having lengthy discussions. He studied Panamanian history and published two books on its history during his retirement years.

Luis loved his wonderful parents and his family, holding a special spot in his heart for his five grandchildren, the crew of the good ship "Sea Hawk". Life was good to him, and he enjoyed all of it. His last statement was, "In saying good-bye to you, I want you to consider the above and not mourn for me, but to rejoice, as I am joining God and all those loved ones who departed before me. I thank you for making my trip through life such an enjoyable one".

Luis was preceded in death by his parents, Louis and Blanca Celerier and sister Mireille Erbe and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Luis is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Etheleen Wallace Celerier; son, Glenn Celerier and wife Annette; daughter, Annette Moore and husband Glenn; grandchildren, Joseph Moore (Annie), Andrew Moore (Dagny), Julia Marin (Bill), Alex Celerier (Crystal), and Charles Celerier (Linda); and four great grandchildren.

A thank you to his caregivers in his last days, Heart's Way Hospice, with a special thanks to Staci, Allison, April, and Tisha.

In lieu of flowers, the family appreciates donations to Cooks Children's Hospital in Fort Worth. Online condolences can be left at www.raderfh.com.

Events

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Rosary

Friday, April 1, 2022

6:00 PM - 6:15 PM CT

Chapel of Rader Funeral Home of Longview
1617 Judson Road, Longview TX 75601

Visitation

Friday, April 1, 2022

6:15 PM - 8:00 PM CT

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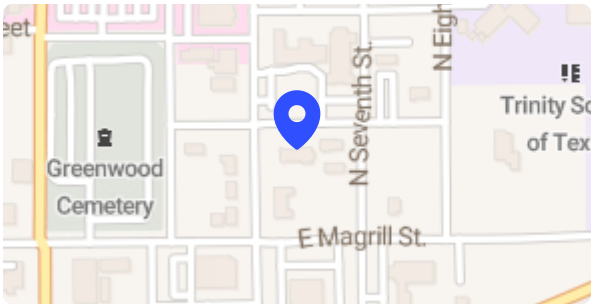
Funeral Mass

Saturday, April 2, 2022

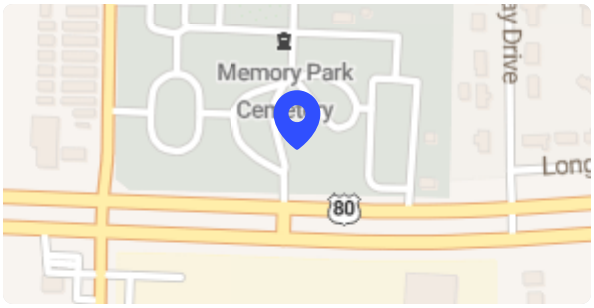
11:00 AM CT

St. Anthony Catholic Church, Longview
508 N Sixth St, Longview TX 75601



Cemetery Details

Memory Park Cemetery
2823 E. Marshall Ave., Longview TX



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NK

Neil Klotz posted:

Luis was a classmate of my father at BHS (class of '51). I was so glad to be in contact with Luis and receive his e-mails. Both of his books showed me a world I only knew from stories told by my parents. His final statement is a good one. Condolences to those who are left behind.

January 20 at 7:09 AM

JG

Jackie Glover posted:

When I was in college I worked regular part time at Louis Morgan's. It was a busy place where I checked out many customers, most of whom I would never remember. Mr. Celerier was one I would never forget. He was kind, friendly, and liked to visit a bit. Seeing him come in was a breath of fresh air. Condolences to his family and those who knew him well. Thank you for sharing his life through his lovely obituary.

March 31 at 8:43 AM

Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Celerier family.

March 28 at 2:59 PM

IF

Isabel Azcarraga And Fanily posted:

I met Luis in one if his visits to Panama. His enthusiasm for the outdoors was contagious. His kindness and outgoing personality made me feel that I knew him for ever. His knowledge of history and nature of Panama was admirable. I could spend hours listening to his stories. He will be missed dearly. My prayers and thoughts are with his family during this sad time.

March 13 at 11:34 AM

VV

Virginia Vick lit a candle in honor of Luis.

Luis was a wonderful man to know. I was going through old emails I wanted to keep when I came across Luis's journey in Panama, and it made me smile just thinking of him and our crazy times when the four of us (Luis, Etheleen, Cindy and me) would sit at the "losers table" as we called it at the Axelson Christmas parties. It was a few days after that I read of his passing. Etheleen and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I will be thinking of you during the coming days.Virginia Vick

March 10 at 11:00 AM

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GC

Gina Cabrera posted:

Mr. Celerier was a patient where I worked and my absolute FAVORITE patient! He would brighten my day and I always looked forward to see him coming in for his visits. He was always so kind. I will miss him dearly. I am so grateful for our friendship and will cherish the moments I got to see him. I'm so happy I got a big hug last time I saw him.

March 8 at 11:21 AM

BW

Bill Wallace posted:

We were sorry to learn about Luis's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of his family during this time of sorrow. Bill and Lyn Wallace

March 8 at 5:33 AM

NM

Nan Mitchell posted:

Luis was a brilliant man and very interesting to talk to. We were on a nonprofit board together a number of years ago. He shared some of his writings and beautiful photos of Panama with me. I just revisited those files on my computer and enjoyed being reminded of his passion for Panama and its' history. I am saddened to learn of his passing. My sympathy to his family. May he rest in peace.

March 6 at 11:16 AM

KS

Kathy Somer posted:

Dear dear Luis (Louie)! One of the kindest men I have ever known -- the definition of integrity. A true gentleman and a wonderful person. Rest in peace my friend. May you all be comforted in this time of great sorrow. May his memory continue to be a blessing in your lives. Much love to all of you.Kathy and Mike Somer

March 6 at 6:33 AM

RK

Ruth Kay posted:

I am sending my sympathy to this family in the loss of Luis. He was my customer at Albertsons Grocery for many years. He was a very kind hearted man and I will always remember our wonderful visits. I am very sorry for your loss.Ruth Kay

March 4 at 4:20 PM

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RW

Roxy White posted:

So sorry for your loss. Praying for your family

March 4 at 6:16 AM

NG

Nancy And Mark Gibson posted:

So very sorry for your loss. Thinking of you and sending our love. Melba, Randy, Phyllis, Nancy , and Mark

March 3 at 5:39 PM

EB **Elizabeth(Libby) Bostick** August 8 at 11:59 AM
Etheleen, so sorry to learn of Luis' passing, love and hug's, my thought's are with you.

JP **Joan Pinkerton** March 6 at 7:39 PM
Hugs and love to Etheleen and family.

CB **Carolyn Orr Boren** March 4 at 4:06 PM
Luis was a very neat guy and fun to talk to, I loved his accent and he was very intelligent, One thing I remember was we were at Denny and Candy Larrison 's wedding and he wanted me to teach him to two step, so I tried my best, I wasn't the best teacher, but we had a good time. My love and prayers to Etheleen and his loving family.

Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Luis by contributing to a collection of shared memories.

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