



## Emanuel A. Ballard

August 2, 1932 - June 9, 2008

### BALLARD

Manny Emanuel A. Ballard, born August 2nd, 1932, went home to The Lord Jesus Christ on June 9th, 2008 from complications of Parkinson's disease. He was born in Holy Cross, KY on August 2, 1932. Manny served as a member of The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate from 1957 to 1982. He served in the Catholic Diocese of Brownsville, Texas and helped establish the Catholic Stewardship Program. Manny inaugurated the Catholic Marriage Encounter Program in Texas, Mexico, and helped establish this program in parts of Latin America and Africa. He served as Director of Oblate Missions, in support of Oblate Missionary work throughout the world. Manny was an active and loyal parishioner of St. Matthew's Catholic Church. He had a positive outlook as well as a robust zest for life. He enjoyed traveling, biking, cooking and entertaining friends and family. He is survived by his Wife of 21 years Elaine Ludwig Ballard; His son Robert G. Ballard; Daughters Carla Haley and her husband Greg, Druann Bosien and her husband Brian; Grandchildren Kevin Bosien, Kari Bosien, Devin Haley, Brooke Haley and Brandi Haley; sister Agnes Simms; brothers Ignatius Ballard, Frank Ballard, and Benny Ballard, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorials be made to Sky Cross, Inc. A non-profit foundation to help the people in need on the Texas / Mexico border. 7302 Putter Lane, San Antonio, Texas 78244. 210-661-6808 [www.Skycross.org](http://www.Skycross.org)

## SERVICES

The Rosary will be recited on Friday, June 13th, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. with visitation at 7:00 P.M. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. The Mass will also be at St. Matthew's Catholic Church at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, June 14th with visitation from 9:00 A.M. until 10:00 A.M. Interment will follow at Mission Burial Park North, 20900 IH-10 West, San Antonio, TX 78257.

You may sign the on-line guestbook at [www.missionparks.com](http://www.missionparks.com) under the obituary section.

MISSION PARK NORTH  
3401 CHERRY RIDGE  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78230  
210 349-1414

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ We remember Uncle Emanuel making our wedding he performed in 1972 in Dallas a beautiful ceremony.  
We will miss him.  
Elaine, you and your family are in our prayers.

Gary and Joann Hawkins

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**Joann Hawkins** - June 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ Elaine and family, I was so sorry to hear about Manny. I have many wonderful memories of him and his delicious cooking. He was such a sweet, dear man and so interesting to talk to. I know he will be missed by many but I know he would be so thankful for

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**Gail Couser** - June 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Rest in peace Manny. Hope you meet up with mom. God Bless.  
Luis

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**Luis Medellin** - June 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ Manny was a very special person and a true friend.

May he rest in peace

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**Silvia Tovar** - June 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ Dear Mrs. Ballard,  
I want to express my sincere sorrow to you and your family at the loss of Mr. Ballard. I always hear such wonderful words about you and Mr. Ballard from mom and dad. During the times that I was able to be with him, I sure enjoyed s

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**Ginger Gueldner Dicker** - June 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Dearest Elaine and Family,  
Please accept my heartfelt condolences over the loss of your beloved Manny.  
What a beautiful Spirit he was and I feel so blessed to have known him for the short time I did.  
I hold you in my thoughts and prayers as you grieve

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**Alma Marks** - June 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Our heartfelt condolence to all the family, especially to Elaine. Our prayers and thoughts are with all of you. May you all find peace thru Jesus Christ and his Mother Mary. Love you all, Ricardo & Bea

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**Ricardo & Beatrice Riojas** - June 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

YW

“ Elaine,  
Please accept our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your husband. I am forever grateful to his visits to our home to help my mother-in-law, Martha Woods, with her struggle against Parkinson's Disease. On our last visit to your home, Manny did

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**Yolanda Woods** - June 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ *As a small child, I remember the outside Masses. That was the only time I had the opportunity to go to church in the beautiful countryside in the yard at Grandmother and Granddaddy Ballards. Later in life as a teenager, I had the opportunity to spend time*

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**Mary Elizabeth Ballard Owens** - June 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Elaine,  
I wanted to let you know that you made Uncle Manny's life complete! I, personally, respected his decision to leave the priesthood; he was a natural leader in both the church and in the Ballard family; he served us all well. Hold on to your many*

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**Margaret Ballard Futrell** - June 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *Elaine, you have our deepest sympathy. Know that Uncle Emanuel has fought the fight and now is enjoying his Heavenly reward as well as being with his family members that have gone previously, and with my Dad and Mother Paschal and Mary Theresa Ballard.*

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**Bernadette & Charlie Stansbury** - June 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Elaine,  
I remember fondly the many kindnesses of you and Manny when I visited with Cousin Earl. Manny was an extraordinary man and enriched the lives of all he met, myself included. My prayers and with you and the entire family.*

*Brother Joe Esparza, C*

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**Bro. Joe Esparza, CSC** - June 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ What an honor it was to know Manny! He was a "Great" man...He was "Great" in his desire and ability to serve... He served the Lord and served hundreds of others... His "Greatness" improved the quality of life of those who knew him...

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**Christina Castillo** - June 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ We knew Manny all too briefly, and regretfully were not in recent contact with him. We knew him best as a deeply loyal and loving husband, father and grandfather with a passion for life and for serving others. We will fondly remember his sweetness and hum

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**Nick and Francesca Watson** - June 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ I remember Uncle Emanuel since about 1949 when I was 6. I have a lot of fond memories. May his soul and all the souls of the Ballards and Hagans rest in peace. Amen  
Elaine you have my sympathy.

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**charlie ballard** - June 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ May God comfort you at this time of sadness. Uncle Emmanuel is joining his parents and brothers and sisters who have gone before him. There must be a great reunion in Heaven!

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**Angela Cox** - June 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ Extending our heartfelt condolences on the loss of four loved one.

*Directors & Staff at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North*

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**Mission Park North** - June 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM