



Gilbert Castanon

August 17, 1929 - October 29, 2007

CASTAÑON

Gilbert Castañon, born on August 17, 1929 in San Antonio, Texas concluded his earthly Holy Journey on October 29, 2007. He was a member of the '47-'48 championship football team at Brackenridge High School, winning the Bronze Plaque which is displayed at Alamo Stadium. He received a football scholarship to play at Southwestern University, where he obtained his BBA Degree. Gilbert served in the US Army for 2 years during the Korean Conflict. He had a life-long career in the plumbing retail business, receiving several awards from local S.A. Business Associations. Gilbert coached CYO Baseball and Football and taught CCD Classes at Holy Rosary Catholic Church for several years. He loved music and was an avid album collector and expert storyteller. Gilbert was a member of several civic, religious and professional organizations and a faithful member of the Focolare Movement. His loving family includes his wife of 52 years, Rita; 3 children; 3 grandchildren; one great-granddaughter, his mother, sisters, brother and countless family and friends. The family extends its deepest gratitude to Christus Santa Rosa VNA Hospice and members of the Focolare Movement for the loving care they provided.

SERVICES

Visitation will be held on Tuesday-October 30, 2007 from 6:00PM until 9:00PM, with a rosary recited at 7:00PM at Mission Park Funeral Chapels

North. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday-October 31, 2007 at 9:30AM at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 159 Camino Santa Maria, San Antonio, Texas 78228. Interment will follow at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the St. Vincent De Paul Society at Holy Rosary Catholic Church.

You may sign the on-line guest book at www.missionparks.com under the obituary section.

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Tribute Wall

SM

“*gil, as you proceed to your journey to your heavenly home, you will be missed by all here. your great companionship, story-telling, and your presence alone would light up any occasion. rita, our prayers are with you and the whole family. i am in dallas a*

steve mechler - October 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CO

“*Our deepest sympathies are with your family at this time. He is a friend from the old neighborhood.*

*Buddy Orr
Connie Orr*

Connie Orr - October 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PS

“*To Rita and to the family, Pat and I express our sympathy for your loss and our certainty of Gilbert's comfort in the Lord. Gilbert was a kind, gentle big man.*

Pat and Edgar Sneed - October 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SM

“*I had the pleasure of working with Gilbert at Mars/Noland Plumbing from 1983 to 1991. Gilbert always had a way of brighting up my normal work day with one of his funny stories, humorous observations, or one of the many jokes in his personal arsenal. I to*

Scott & Sylvia Munn - October 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ Dear Rita, my deepest sympathy and prayers for you and your family -- I am happy to hear you and Gilbert spent so many years together; that was quite an accomplishment. God bless him in heaven and you on earth. Angie Cortez

Angie Cortez - October 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Gil, It was an honor and enjoyment working with ya at Noland Co. and I learned alot from you about the plumbing industry and life in general. We will all miss you greatly. Tell the "ole man", Paul, that we miss him also. My condolence's and prayers go out

Jimmy Dyer - October 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Rita, I am sorry to read of Gilbert's passing and know the pain you must be feeling. Marie and I were both widowed before we met and married 21 years ago, and we know the sudden pain a spouse feels when the life partner is suddenly taken away. It is possi

Joe Joseph - October 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ With many great memories of our time at Brackenridge.
Sincerest sympathy,
Don Newbury

Don Newbury - October 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ To Rita and to the family, my condolences and prayers are with you. My father was Herminio Castanon, Gilbert's great uncle.

Roberto Castanon - October 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *Rita, my deepest sympathy to you and your family*

Carolina Castanon Molina - October 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *Gil,
Mr. Cast Iron,
My Friend,
From the first time you invited me to your inner circle for Friday
breakfast almost 30 years ago, to the mid 80's our rides around
north loop 410 watching the building cranes going up and the jobs
you sold, our lunches, a*

Stephen Schneider - October 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM