



Louis F. Vacek

June 19, 1926 - May 14, 2016

Louis F. Vacek, 89, of Rosenberg, passed away on May 14, 2016 in Richmond, Texas. He was born to Stanislav and Mary Gurecky Vacek on June 19, 1926 in Taiton, Texas. He was raised on the family farm in Fairchilds. Louis' family moved to Rosenberg where he attended Rosenberg High School. He later joined the U.S. Navy and honorably served our country. Louis then bought a diner and met the love of his life, Bonnie Krum. They married and raised 3 children. He then started buying homes and renting them. Louis and Bonnie were owners of Vacek's Club in old downtown Rosenberg for many years. He went on to own several other businesses through the years. Louis was proud to be a WWII Veteran and was affiliated with the V.F.W. Post #3903 Past Post Commander and the American Legion.

Louis was known by many people and never met a stranger. He loved sharing his war stories with anyone who would listen. We wished we had more time to make more memories with him, but God called him home. He was a good man and helped many people. We love you, daddy, and will miss you. A huge hole has been left in our hearts, but we have our memories locked in our hearts, and no one can take those away. Goodbye daddy, until we see you again. Tell mom hello for us.

This loving father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend will be missed.

In addition to his parents, Louis is preceded in death by his first wife, Bonnie Vacek Castilla; second wife, Rose Vacek; son-in-law, Herb Marsden; and siblings, Eddie Vacek and Martha Deckert.

Survivors include his children, Margaret Vacek McClenan and husband, Cecil, Stanley Vacek, and Bernadette Vacek; grandchildren, Chip Graves and wife, Tamara, Brian Graves and wife, Amy, Michael Graves, Garrett Vacek and wife, Brooke, Joshua Fonseca, Briann Vacek, and Adriana Vacek; great grandchildren, Kaia, Bryce and Addyson Graves, Benjamin Graves, Blakely Vacek, and Emma Vacek; along with numerous extended family and friends.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. with a Rosary at 7:00 p.m., Friday, May 20, 2016 in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg.

The funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, May 21, 2016 in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg. Burial, with full military honors, will follow at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Rosenberg.

Pallbearers will include Brian Graves, Garrett Vacek, Ervin Diffurth, Billy Diffurth, John Hand and Cecil McClenan.

Honorary pallbearers will be Arthur Williams, Chip Graves and Michael Graves.

For those wishing, memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the family at www.davisgreenlawnfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home,
3900 B.F. Terry Blvd., Hwy 59 South @ FM 2218 in Rosenberg, Texas 77471,
Phone: 281-341-8800.

Tribute Wall

TC

“*“Uncle Louie”, as I have always known him, was a Larger Than Life Character. His eccentricities and unbridled enthusiasm were balanced by his overall good nature and desire to help others.*

He was a seeker, always interested in non-traditional things. He was a musician too, and I think we connected in that way. Louie was also a health conscious person. Something I noted and admired long ago. When something caught his interest, he pursued it wholeheartedly, and did it his own way.

Writers of books, or screenplays, or sitcoms, struggle to create characters like Uncle Louie, but he was a natural. I loved that about him, and I will miss him. I hadn't seen Louie for several years, but he lives on when Sharon and I reminisce about him. He'll always live in my memories as someone who chose to live life, and not let it just slip by. To his everlasting credit... he dared to be different.

Terry Carolan - May 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SM

“*When I was the activity director Richmond healthcare nursing home, Louis would walk through the door close to 12 noon carrying his barstool and start playing piano with gusto and enthusiasm. I will always remember his big smile. All the residents in the dining room loved hearing his poker is the best. They would sing along, their foot, and be swinging their arms in the air. I did get a reflexology treatment from Louis. He is very strong hands and told me what was wrong with me. I am sorry for your loss because he was such a wonderful caring man. He truly wanted to entertain the residents who cared about their happiness!!!*

Susan Morgan - May 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ Many years since I last saw Uncle Louis. He was brother of my step-father Eddie. I remember well his laughter, funny stories, and accordion playing. I was in my teens and we often mowed the yard at the church in Rosenberg. He was a house painter too with his dad Jerry. He mowed, painted, owned the Vacek Club, played the accordion and allowed lots of people to enjoy his humor and laughter. He loved life and people. I regret not seeing him these past years. Will miss him as a one of a kind person.

John Vacek - May 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

ND

“ Louis was my cousin and what I remember about him the most is that he played the accordion. Also he was always smiling. He was the son of my Aunt Mary and Uncle Jerry. Uncle Jerry Vacek had Vacek's band and Louis used to play in it. Rest in peace dear cousin.

Nancy DeShazo - May 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ What I loved most about Uncle Louie:

He was passionate about life and all the things he believed in. He had an infectious smile and instead of waiting for something to be happy about, he looked for something to be happy about. He'd make regular appearances playing his accordion at nursing homes and senior centers because he enjoyed seeing the people laugh, have a good time and forget their problems while listening to the collection of tunes he'd play. It was extremely hard to keep one's toes from tapping when he'd fire up his accordion. He was one of a kind and we are all lucky for having known him and having shared time on earth with him.

Sharon Carolan - May 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Much love!*

stacy copeland - May 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

HA

“ *Margaret, Stanley, Bernadette and Family,*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Now, Uncle Louie is entertaining all of heaven.

The Copelands

Harleen - May 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Bernadette and family,

I have many childhood memories of your dad. On one particular visit to rosenberg, our moms sat in your folks bar and sang at the top of their lungs to a patsy cline song or whatever song was playing on the juke box at the time. Your dad kept yelling at them that they were going to chase all the customers out!! The grin on his face and the faces of the customers said otherwise.

I don't know if you remember my wedding 1971. My folks had an open house in their home and your dad played the accordion. Naturally, our moms were dancing, singing and having a good time like they always did when they were together. Some of my straight laced, hoity toity in-laws almost pooped their pants. They had never seen a family like ours. It was great.

I wish you god's peace and comfort. Your dad is in paradise today.

If god allows patsy cline songs in heaven, I'm sure your dad is accompanying our moms on the accordion right now!

Your cousin,

Jackie

Jackie droemer poe - May 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM