



Roy M. Raska

March 8, 1920 - December 12, 2008

Funeral Mass for Roy M. Raska, 88, of Sugar Land, Texas will be held at 10:00 A.M. , Monday, December 15, 2008 at St. Theresa Catholic Church 115 7th St., in Sugar Land.

Interment will follow with Full Military Honors at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Rosenberg.

Visitation will be held from 6:30 P.M. until 8:30 P.M., with a rosary at 7:00 P.M., Sunday, December 14, 2008 at St. Theresa Catholic Church in Sugar Land.

Roy was born March 8, 1920 in Buckholts to Anton J. and Pearl Zawadzke Raska and grew up in Needville. He served in the United States Army Air Corp during WWII. He worked at Sugar Land Industries before working at WKM for 27 years. Roy was a 3rd and 4th Degree Charter Member of the Knights of Columbus, and a member of the American Legion Post 271, St. Theresa's Sugar Canes and Sugar Land AARP. Roy enjoyed gardening, and his two cats, but the thing he loved and enjoyed the most was his family. He passed away December 12, 2008 in Sugar Land.

He is preceded in death by his parents; and his first wife of 13 years, Rita Mensik Raska.

Roy is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Dorothy Vavrecka Raska;

children, Jacquelyn Kendrick, Theresa Lynn Bielamowicz and her husband, Jerry, Marion Roy Raska and his wife, Robbie, Barbara Bartosh, Charles Thomas Bartosh, Russell John Raska and his wife, Aileen; brother, Anton John Raska, Jr. Buddy and wife, Val; grandchildren, Darryl Roy Kendrick, Jeremy Kendrick and wife, Kim, Monica Struve and husband, Paul, Michael Bielamowicz, Thomas Bielamowicz, Wesley Raska and wife, Courtney, Curtis Roy Raska, Cody Bartosh and wife, Laura, Tammy Jo Cruse and husband, Kevin, Preston Raska and Emily Raska; eleven great-grandchildren, along with other relatives and friends.

For those wishing, memorials in Roy's name can be made to the Sugar Canes c/o St. Theresa Catholic Church, Church 115 7th St., in Sugar Land, TX 77478.

Words of condolence can be left for the Raska family at www.davisgreenlawfh.com

Tribute Wall

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“ *Dear Family*

I am so sorry to hear of Roy's passing. He and his first wife Rita were my godparents and even though I didn't know them well I know my parents made a choice of the heart when making them my godparents. I wish I had known him better but just knowing he was a Raska says it all. The Raska's were & are a fine family with strong ties and deep religious and strong moral beliefs. The elder generation is leaving us but I will make sure my little baby granddaughter Sarah Cheyenne will always know what wonderful stock she comes from. As a matter of fact I see so much of my own mother Bettye Jane Raska in her already. Bless you all, my heartfelt sympathies to you as well as my love. If you wish, you can contact me at nativetexans@comcast.net. I'd love to know if anyone has any photos of my christening with Roy and Rita some 54 yrs ago.

Bettye Blackman Smith - December 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Marion,*

You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Sheila Turner - December 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Marion was one of my best friends during the years I attended John Foster Dulles Junior High and High School. I vividly remember visiting the Raska home and even spending the night there on several occasions. I recall Roy as being the quintessential Texan. He was a no-nonsense, down-to-business kind of guy who worked hard and did his best for his family.

My sincere condolences and best wishes to Marion and his family.

George R. Lasher - December 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Roy's first wife, Rita Mensik, was my 1st cousin. We, therefore, go back a long way.

I have always admired Roy for both his friendliness and his concern for others.

Unfortunately we will not be able to make the funeral but we want to express our sympathy and condolence to the family. May God Bless each of you. We pray not only for Roy but for the family as well.

Gilbert & Veronica Bohuslav

Note: My mother and Rita's mother were sisters--Rita is my cousin.

Gilbert & Veronica Bohuslav - December 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM