



Jesse Bautista

September 22, 1923 - December 23, 2007

Jesse Joseph Bautista, 84, of Corsicana passed away Sunday, December 23, 2007, at Baylor Medical Center in Dallas, after complications following heart surgery. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, January 2nd from 6 to 7 p.m. at Griffin-Roughton with a rosary at 7 p.m. Memorial services will be Thursday, January 3rd at 6 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Corsicana, Texas. Jesse was born September 22, 1923, in San Leandro California. He served in both WWII and the Korean wars and was honorably discharged as a Second Lieutenant from the United States Army. Upon completion of his bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from San Jose State University in California, he began his career as a drug enforcement agent for the federal government. After transferring to the Hawaiian Islands in 1955, he met and married the love of his life, Amalia "Monie". He was then transferred to Houston, Texas, Chicago, Illinois, Richardson, Texas and finally El Paso where he retired at the age of 55. His retirement was brief; he accepted a job with the state of Texas and then with the University of Texas at El Paso as their Foreign Student Advisor. After his retirement from UTEP he took up golf so he could keep up with Monie. When she died in 2001 he moved to Corsicana, Texas to be closer to his children. He was preceded in death by his wife Amalia "Monie" Bautista; his daughter Lorie McCurdy; and his two grandchildren Theo and Amalia Browett. Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Tanya and Dayle Wetherell of Grapevine, Texas; daughter and son-in-law, Melissa and Frank Means of Corsicana; son and daughter-in-law,

Tony and Lana Bautista of Plano, Texas; daughter and son-in-law, Thea and Mark Pierce of Austin, Texas; daughter and son-in-law, Fran and John Browett of London, England; son and daughter-in-law, Matt and Pam Bautista of Hilton Head, South Carolina; daughter Libby Bautista of Trophy Club, Texas; daughter and son-in-law Harri and Jim Baumann of El Paso, Texas; and twelve grandchildren, Jessica, Matthew and Riley Bautista, Dylan, Addie and Celeste Pierce, Octavia, Grace and Alicia Browett, Tyler, Nicholas and Kathryn Bautista, and Cameron and Michael Luciano. He will always be remembered as an outgoing, larger-than-life man, who loved Monie dearly and took care of anyone in need. He certainly communicated his love for his family and friends by doing things for them. He lived a full life and he will continue to live on in our memory and eternally with our Lord, Jesus Christ. If anyone wishes to memorialize Jesse please consider the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Corsicana, Texas or a charity of your own choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jesse Bautista*

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with each of you. "Mr. B" will be missed tremendously - his big, booming voice, his contagious smile - jis presence.*

Beverly Huntsman, Administrator

Beverly Huntsman - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *?Mr. B? always livened up the swimming pool at the Y with his great sense of humor.
It?s a great privilege living next door to his daughter, Melissa and getting to know all her siblings!
What an awesome family!!! Our little granddaughter, Kaylee talks about her London friends ~ Alicia, Grace and Octavia quite often. She is patiently waiting for summer to return and hoping her friends will come back to go swimming with her.
Please know that each one is in our prayers and may the peace which comes from the memories of love shared comfort you now and in the days ahead. With love, Clara & Lloyd*

Clara & Lloyd Hickerson - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I worked with Jesse in the late 1950' and early 1960's while he was stationed in Houston and I was in the San Antonio office. He was an outstanding person and an excellent Narcotic Agent. My condolences to his Family.

James A. Carey - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Extending my deepest thoughts to your family!
Jessie was always a pleasure in our YMCA classes. I really enjoyed his sense of humor and he was the "class clown".
He will be missed very much by all of us.

Jamie

Jamie Kitchens - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ Jesse and Moni always were the greatest inspiration to us. We loved this whole family from the day we met thirty seven and a half years ago and had wonderful times together. We are deeply saddened by Jesse's passing and send our heartfelt condolences to each and every one of the Bautistas. We thank them for the great memories, priceless moments of fun and sharing and the privilege it has been to be across the street. Jesse gave his strength and caring to all who crossed his path, Farewell dear friend.

Jean and James Naylor - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. "B". I had the pleasure of getting to know him during my time as Assisted Living Manager at Heritage Oaks. He is someone I will never forget. There was no one quite like him. His sweet personality and sense of humor was a bright spot every time I saw him. He certainly loved his family and anyone that knew him knew how much he had loved his wife and missed her. I'm sure they are both rejoicing over being reunited. Everyone that had a chance to get to know him was blessed. He was an awesome guy.

Alicia Rogers - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ I grew up down the street (Green Cove) from the Bautistas and loved to hang out at their house just for the pure chaos and fun of having so many kids around! Jesse was a great guy and I know he will be missed.

Wendy Lorang Stansbury - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ J.J. what can I say you were wonderful to all of us. You welcomed all of the upper valley into your home. You helped us with those special school projects like our river raft and working on our trucks just to name a few. We will miss you ! John

John & Jeannie Bennett - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *Melissa & Frank, please know that our prayers are with you during this time. Melissa, I met your father at one of Frank's performances at the Warehouse and he was truly larger than life. He seemed to be a happy man with lots of love for his family. He certainly was proud of you. He declared you as his daughter the minute I met him. That seemed to be his identity....Melissa's father. I too have lost my mother & father and the memories bring me such comfort. Just know they will always be just a whisper away.*
With love,

B. Earl LEWIS - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *I did not know Mr. Bautista, but I know Frank and Melissa and think a lot of them. They are super Christians. May God comfort you at this time of sorrow and grief.*

Dianne Conner - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *It was a pleasure to have known you and to have worked with you. Thanks for putting up with me as a partner.*

Marcelino Bedolla - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Dear Melissa and Frank,
Mr. Bautista was always such
a welcoming presence at Heritage Oaks
Retirement Village. My mother, Dorothy Bouwman, lived there for
several years and was always treated with such great friendship
and wit by your father. I never saw him without a smile on his face!
What a wonderful witness of a positive spirit he displayed always!
I'm so glad I got to know him, even just the small time my mother
lived there.
You are in my prayers.
In Christian sympathy,
Barbara Honea

Barbara Hone - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ We would at times meet Jesse & friend at Braums after an event at
the Palace. He always made us laugh and made us feel good just
being in his presence. He was one-of-a-kind. We will miss not being
able to know him better. I am sure he is entertaining the Angels.
Respectfully. Emmy and Chuck Sowell

Emmy & Chuck Sowell - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Your family are in my prayers. I was so taken back to here of Mr.
Bautista's passing. I was the receptionist at HORV for 2 yrs. and
came to admire and car deeply for you dad. He was a pistle to
recon with. He will be missed deeply.

Christie Beamon

Christie Beamon - December 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM