



## Anthony "Tony" "Butts" Joseph Mistretta

January 21, 1939 - May 11, 2021

On Tuesday, May 11, 2021, Anthony "Tony" "Butts" Joseph Mistretta, age 82, left his earthly body to be with the Lord. He was a native and lifelong resident of Kenner, LA. Loving and devoted father of Mary Carla Mistretta Gagliano (husband, Philip). Adoring grandfather "Paw Paw" of Phylis, Toni, and Mary Frances Gagliano. Son of the late Victor Mistretta and Mary Barreca Mistretta. Brother of the late Leona Mistretta Giglio, Joseph Mistretta, Sadie Mistretta Pizzolato, Josephine Mistretta Amstutz, Virginia Mistretta, Salvador, Nicholas, Frank, Louis and Victor Mistretta. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews, especially Mary Rita Pizzolato and Joseph Pizzolato who selflessly cared for him daily.

Anthony "Tony" Butts" was a retired serviceman for Louisiana Gas Service Company for over 30 years. He served in the US Army. He was a devoted Catholic and parishioner of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Kenner, LA. He loved Jesus, his family, cooking and his Italian heritage. He had a special devotion to the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph. He made a promise that he would honor, serve and make Italian cookies at OLPH St. Joseph's Altar until his death. He was the recipient of the St. Louis Medal for his leadership and dedicated service to OLPH church.

He was loved by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. He had the biggest, joyful smile. He loved to laugh and make everyone laugh with his sayings. He was a great storyteller and loved reminiscing about his family. He was an avid duck hunter in his younger days, but as he aged, he just enjoyed watching all of God's creations, especially his cows on his farm. He was so humble and kind. He loved all of his family and enjoyed cooking for everyone. His greatest joy was his daughter, Mary, his son-in-law, Philip, and his three granddaughters, Phylis, Toni and Mary Frances which he affectionately called my big heart, middle heart and little heart. He will be greatly missed by everyone whose lives be touched.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Visitation at L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home, 2607 Williams Blvd., Kenner on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at 11:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 500 Minor St., Kenner, LA. Interment in Garden of Memories Cemetery, Metairie. To share memories or

condolences, please visit <http://www.muhleisen.com>

# Cemetery

# Events

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## **Garden of Memories Cemetery**

4900 Airline Dr.

Metairie, LA, 70001

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### **Visitation**

06:00PM - 09:00PM

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L. A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home

2607 Williams Boulevard, Kenner, LA, US, 70062

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### **Visitation**

09:00AM - 10:30AM

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### **Funeral Mass**

11:00AM

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Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church

500 Minor Street, Kenner, LA, US, 70062

# Comments

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“ Joey and I send all our love to the Gagliano/Mistretta families.

Cookie Hood - May 18 at 04:09 PM

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“ Cookie Hood lit a candle in memory of Anthony "Tony" "Butts" Joseph Mistretta



Cookie Hood - May 18 at 03:59 PM



“ Joey and I are sending our love to the Mistretta family.

Cookie Hood - May 18 at 04:00 PM

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“ As an almost lifelong friend to Mary (since the age of age of 9) I've had the pleasure of knowing Mr Tony. He was the most dedicated father & grandfather to my precious friend and her daughters. A man whom I admired and respected and also treasured for his testament of love to his family. I'm also thankful for the countless Sunday feasts at his home all throughout our school years...those were the days! A generous heart that will never be forgotten. Love, hugs and prayers for the family.

Jill Vicknair - May 16 at 12:35 PM

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“ So sorry to hear that my lifelong friend has passed away. Anthony and I became close friends during our teenage days. We hung out together, attending dances in Norco, at the Kenner Gym, the school dances in New Orleans every Friday, Saturday & Sunday nights, going to Ponchartrain Beach and enjoyed doing all the others things they had for young people to do during the 1950's. In the years since then, Anthony and I would see each other occasionally and would always talk about the fun we had when we were young. I will surely miss those conversations.  
John Faulk

**John Faulk** - May 16 at 12:16 PM

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“ Mr. Tony was a great man. I loved talking cows and football with him. He had a huge heart and a very kind soul. Mary and family I am so sorry for your loss. He will be missed greatly. Know he is still with your family as your Guardian Angel. He will be with you forever in your hearts

**Sue Watson** - May 15 at 06:27 PM