



## Calvin 'Cal' Frank Cristina

November 22, 1926 - June 8, 2018

Calvin (Cal) Frank Cristina died peacefully on Friday, June 8, 2018. Beloved husband of Gloria (LeBlanc) Cristina for over 67 years, son of the late Salvador Thomas Cristina and the late Ethel (Rinderle) Cristina, he leaves behind his daughter, Carol Cristina Kronlage (Bobby), sons Stephen Cristina (Lea), W. Conway Cristina (Stephanie), and Christopher Cristina (Nancy), and was predeceased by his son Robert Cristina (Wendy), and daughter-in-law Lea; his grandchildren (who called him Daddy Cal): Kimberly Artis (Aaron), Nicole Masters (Mark), Arvid Cristina (Nancy), Melanie Matyas (Sean), Justin Kiefer, Jessica McCabe (David), Jan Cristina (Sanna), Leslie Bradley (Kevin), Brittney Cristina (Durand), William Kiefer (Alicia), Monica Flowers (Patrick), Elizabeth Cristina (Darrell), and Lana Cristina; his great grandchildren: Callie, Jackson, Benjamin, Anabelle, Everett, Elliott, Marin, Abbey, Avery, Logan, Everleigh, Ella, Tyko, Skylar, Sawyer, Stryder, and Scarlett; his sisters June Mince and Joy Romig; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Calvin was a native of Kenner and a River Ridge resident since 1962. He attended St. Paul's in Covington and then graduated from Jesuit High School in 1943. After serving in the U.S. Navy in World War II, he attended L.S.U where he studied pre-Law. He was an energetic entrepreneur and developer in Jefferson Parish and worked with his brothers in the family ice and cold storage business. Calvin was devoted to his family and to his community. He was active in the church both at Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Matthew the Apostle and served as secretary and treasurer of the Fratellanza di Italia

di Santa Rosalia for most of his adult life. He was an early member of the Kenner VFW, and during the years when Jefferson Parish was growing, he was a member of the Lion's Club and Rotary Club, for which he won the Civic Award. He was appointed by Parish President Joe Yenni to the first foundation board of East Jefferson General Hospital and received the Service Award after serving as president of the board.

After family, his second love was golf, and he could be seen on the course at Chateau Estates well into his nineties. He was also a lucky and skillful card player. He traveled extensively both within the United States and abroad and appreciated good friends, food, and drink. As he got older he derived special pleasure in having his many grandchildren and great grandchildren around him.

A Memorial Mass will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 500 Minor St., Kenner on June 22, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. Visitation will follow at 11:30 a.m. at the Crossing at 519 Williams Blvd, Kenner, LA 70062.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to: Second Harvest Food Bank, 700 Edwards Ave, Harahan, LA 70123 504-734-1322.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

JUN **22**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church  
500 Minor Street  
Kenner, LA 70062

## Visitation

JUN **22**. 11:30 AM (CT)

The Crossing  
519 Williams Blvd.  
Kenner, LA 70062

# Tribute Wall



“ Calvin 'Cal' Frank Cristina

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“ *C..J. And Ruth (Mince) Abdo and family send our heartfelt condolences to Gloria and the family. May God bless you and give you peace at this difficult time. Love and prayers to you all.*

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