



Arthur G. Bothe Jr.

May 22, 1931 - May 31, 2015

Arthur G. Bothe, Jr, of St. Louis Mo died on Sunday May 31, 2015 at the age of 84. Beloved husband of the late Audrey M. Bothe (nee: Geno) for 45 1/2 years. Son of the late Arthur G. Bothe Sr and Beulah P. Bothe (nee: Brooks); brother to Gregory Bothe and Donna Stotlar (nee: Bothe) and the late Xandra; Joseph, Lawrence, Rita and James; Uncle to Greg Jr., Kevin, Linda, Brian, Laura, James Jr., Shirley and a few nieces and nephews Art never met (sadly). His family with Angel, he is survived by Jamie (Amanda) Vogel, Tony(Tonya) Vogel, and grandchildren Conor, Cale, Tristan and Tessa. A year after Audrey's death, with grief still in his heart, Art noticed a lady doing some sketch work at a Steak N Shake Restaurant. He decided to introduce himself, as he himself is an artist. After a lengthy conversation they found they had a lot in common, specially the Lord Our God. They became close friends and love started blooming again. After 5 years Angel came to visit Art at his home and to her surprise he got down on his knee and asked her to marry him. So they did happily. Sadly they never got to celebrate their 1st anniversary, for Art passed away a week prior to the date. After leaving McBride High School, Art drove 18-wheelers for 32 years. That career started after being drafted during The Korean War. Art was also a Union Drummer playing many musical gigs on and around St. Louis including The Gaslight Square in 1966 at the Silver Dollar. Art drove quite a few times in a half dozen old different cars on Old Hwy 66 from St. Louis to California always stopping at the Grand Canyon, Painted Desert, Petrified Forest,

Hoover Dan and Las Vegas on each trip. During that time he lived in California for about 3 years driving 72 foot tractor-trailer from L.A. across the Mojave Desert to Las Vegas and the Northwest; for a brief time in 1954 between trucking he worked for interior decorating firm doing the interiors of some movie stars homes including Ray Milland, Zsa Zsa Gabor, and Don Wilson for T.V. The 1st trip to L.A. Art drove up to Mt. Griffith where a movie crew was busy filming a movie called "Rebel Without A Cause". Art stood there for awhile and watched a fight scene with James Dean and Sal Mineo swinging a chain. Art didn't know at the time who these people were because they were just getting started and weren't stars yet. But this movie became a famous cult film for James Dean fans.

Art said the greatest thing that ever happened to him was marrying Audrey and later Angel

Art donated his body to St. Louis University.

Angel's note. Art had great faith in the Lord, with passions for music and cars. I will sadly miss my husband, he was the most wonderful, noble, sensitive man I have ever met. Thank you Art for giving me a chance to Love you also and to give life after sadness another chance with me, spending the last few years of your life finding happiness again.

Memorial Mass is Friday June 12, 2015, 6pm at St Sabina Catholic Church, 1625 Swallow Lane, Florissant.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

JUN 12. 6:00 PM (CT)

St. Sabina Catholic Church
1625 Swallow Lane
Florissant, MO

Tribute Wall

LI

“ I am so sorry to hear of my Uncle's passing. As little as I saw him growing up, I always enjoyed his visits and visiting him. I am so glad my son got to meet him and visit his home to see his collections. He was such a gentleman and loved the Lord. Thank you Uncle Art for the all that you gave to this world. You will never be forgotten.

Linda (Bowden) Faith



Linda - July 10, 2015 at 02:39 PM

MJ

“ Michele and Greg Bothe, Jr. purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Arthur G. Bothe Jr..



Michele and Greg Bothe, Jr. - June 10, 2015 at 01:23 PM

GS

“ Gregory Bothe Sr. purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Arthur G. Bothe Jr..



Gregory Bothe Sr. - June 08, 2015 at 08:41 PM

DS

“ *Donna S. purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Arthur G. Bothe Jr..*



Donna S. - June 08, 2015 at 12:34 PM

CG

“ *Please accept my condolences. The death of your Dad triggered something I have never forgotten. I worked at Boatmen's National Bank with your Mom. She had a desk behind the "brass rail" at 300 North Broadway. We all looked forward to your Dad driving down Broadway and hitting his horn as he went by. Your Mom would stand up and wave and the rest of us would smile. It made our day.*

Carol Gruen

Carol Gruen - June 07, 2015 at 10:17 AM

PW

“ *To the family of Art Bothe,*

We will always remember Art as he entered St. Sabina Church every Saturday for 5:00pm mass. He would greet us every week by saying, "Hello, Ladies and Germs"! We loved his sense of humor. He was a great man and will truly be missed as part of the St. Sabina family.

*Pat & Candi White
Fellow St. Sabina Parishioners*

Pat & Candi White - June 06, 2015 at 08:34 PM

TS

“ We will always remember Art for his great stories and for praying for the soul of our son after he passed away in April 2012. He will be missed.

*Fellow St. Sabina parishioners,
Jim and Trudi Schermann*

Trudi Schermann - June 06, 2015 at 07:56 PM