



Ben Matula

March 6, 2022

On Sunday, March, 6, 2022, Ben (Bennie) Joe Matula, Jr., was called home to his Lord and Savior at the age of 67. He will be forever remembered by his wife, Frances Matula, his children, Rhonda Bailey (Shaun), Jennifer Senger (Aaron), Breane Matula, and Kaitlin Hartman (Robert), and his grandchildren Brooke, Addison, Emma, Jackson, Vivian and Callie. He is survived by eight sisters, three brothers and numerous nieces and nephews who all love him so very much. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ben and Helen Matula, Sr., and sister, Bonnie Sralla.

Ben was born on May 26, 1954, in Shiner, Texas, to Ben and Helen Matula, Sr. He was their first-born son and was the fifth of 13 children. He was born into a farm family that was full of hard work, love and a strong upbringing in the Catholic church. Plowing fields, picking cotton and working at his father's mobile station kept him very busy, but he was sure to make time for hunting, fishing and his love of frogging. He loved to live on the edge with family and friends, which created many unbelievable stories that he continued to share throughout the years. Ben moved to the big city of Houston where he began his lifelong career in construction. He had an affinity for tractors and would find any excuse to be on one. As years went on, so grew his passion and knowledge of his work. He was a leader and everyone valued the time he took to teach what he knew about any project or task. It wasn't uncommon for things to be done "his way".

On June 17, 1978, he married his ballroom beauty and they built their forever

home together in Magnolia. There they raised their four beautiful daughters, gained three amazing sons-in-law and were blessed with six grandchildren. Family was so valuable to Ben. When he wasn't tinkering around with something, he absolutely loved to entertain his grandkids. PawPaw could grasp their attention with his silly faces, one-of-kind sounds or an afternoon of fishing at the pond.

The way of life he knew was ingrained in him, so it was important for him to raise cattle, plant gardens, and can pickles. Ben always loved to treat family and friends with nostalgic foods from his childhood.

He was a funny man who loved a good laugh, had a tender heart and knew how to do just about anything. His unexpected departure leaves a tremendous hole in so many hearts, but all who knew him will have the lasting memory of his infectious smile and the certainty that he is resting peacefully in his eternal home.

The Addison family and staff of Magnolia Funeral Home extend condolences to the Matula family during this difficult time.

Cemetery Details

Magnolia Memorial Gardens Cemetery

811 South Magnolia Blvd.
Magnolia, TX 77355
(281) 356-3363
magnoliafh@yahoo.com
<https://magnoliafunerals.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 10. 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Rosary

MAR 10. 7:30 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

MAR 11. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Matthias Catholic Church
302 Magnolia Blvd.
Magnolia, TX 77355

Burial

MAR 11 (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MH

“ 1 file added to the album *Memorial Album*



Magnolia Funeral Home - March 11, 2022 at 03:35 PM

MP

You are in our thoughts and prayers for the loss of your loved one Ben. He will be missed greatly. May Ben (Bennie) classmate and friend Rest In Peace.

Marjorie Petrosky - March 11, 2022 at 06:51 PM

TS

“ *Our deepest condolences for your loss. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

- The Sulla's

The Sulla's - March 11, 2022 at 01:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.*



March 10, 2022 at 10:06 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.*



March 10, 2022 at 08:47 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.*



March 10, 2022 at 11:16 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.*



March 10, 2022 at 11:16 AM



“ *Deane & Macy Lauher purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Ben Matula.*



Deane & Macy Lauher - March 10, 2022 at 10:27 AM



“ [Memorial Trees](https://www.magnoliafunerals.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.

March 10, 2022 at 08:31 AM



“ Jim Therese & Janelle Wazorick Illinois purchased the Rose Romanesque Bouquet for the family of Ben Matula.



Jim Therese & Janelle Wazorick Illinois - March 09, 2022 at 09:53 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 09, 2022 at 06:19 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 09, 2022 at 06:17 PM

JB

“ *Matula Family,
Thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. So
sorry for your loss.*

Jane Kloesel / Baxmann

Jane Baxmann - March 09, 2022 at 04:17 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Ben Matula.*



March 09, 2022 at 04:15 PM

DG

“ *Thoughts & Prayers with you all during this most difficult time . Phil
4:13
Jeff & Darla Graham-Clapp*

Darla Graham-Clapp - March 09, 2022 at 01:02 PM

CK

“ *Frances, you and your family are all in our prayers & thoughts . We
will always be thinking of you & praying 🙏....
Carla & Mike Kazmierski*

Carla Kazmierski - March 09, 2022 at 12:50 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.*



March 09, 2022 at 10:53 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.*



March 09, 2022 at 10:38 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.*



March 09, 2022 at 10:33 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.*



March 08, 2022 at 09:50 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 08, 2022 at 05:44 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 08, 2022 at 05:30 PM



“ Agnes M. purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Ben Matula.



Agnes M. - March 08, 2022 at 02:23 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 08, 2022 at 02:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 08, 2022 at 01:47 PM



“ *Majestic Heart* was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 08, 2022 at 01:33 PM



“ *Magnolia ISD Technology Department* purchased the *Treasured Lilies Spray* for the family of Ben Matula.



Magnolia ISD Technology Department - March 08, 2022 at 10:55 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 08, 2022 at 10:26 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 07, 2022 at 11:15 PM



“ The Pavlock Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ben Matula.



The Pavlock Family - March 07, 2022 at 09:54 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 07, 2022 at 08:35 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ben Matula.



March 07, 2022 at 07:13 PM