



Louis M "Sam" Bass

September 14, 1934 - October 29, 2017

Louis M. "Sam" Bass, 83, completed his final rotation around the sun on 29 October 2017. Louis was born in a cotton field in Prentiss, Mississippi and raised in Citronelle, Alabama. After graduation from Citronelle High School, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and proudly served for 25 years, in the U.S. and abroad. As a military disbursing officer, he rose to the rank of Major while addressing the financial needs of military personnel. He enjoyed volunteering within his community, playing golf, travelling, and supporting his favorite football teams. A decade of playing for various USMC football teams left Louis with a lifelong passion for the game. Roll Tide.

Louis and Mary were faithful and active members of Golden Springs Baptist Church, where he served in many volunteer roles, including Deacon and Sunday school teacher. Louis loved God, family, friends, and country. "Once a Marine, always a Marine. Semper Fi." He served his country and his God with pride and honor and we, his children, are proud to call him Dad. Our lives are the better for experiencing his smile, his infectious sense of humor, his wise counsel, and his warm embrace.

Louis is survived by his wife Mary Jo Barker Bass, the love of his life for more than 62 years; three children: Teresa Foster (Rick), Louis A. Bass (Debbie), and Pamela McPherson (Rick); eight grandchildren: Nicholas Foster (Elisa), Andrew Foster (Jessica), Christopher Donovan, Nicholas McPherson, Lindsey McPherson, Jordan Bass (Ashley), Corey Bass (Hazuki) and Lauren Bass; and three great-grandchildren, Maddie Stoller, Anna Foster, and Claire Bass;

and a sister, Frances Maher. He was preceded in death by his loving parents Henry G. Bass and Edna C. Bass; brother Glaston Bass and sister Alease Fagan; and granddaughter Tegan Foster.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, November 3, 2017 at Golden Springs Baptist Church with Pastor Roland Brown officiating. The family will receive friends at the church one hour prior to the service. A burial ceremony with full military honors will follow at Forest Lawn Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that any donations be made to the Golden Springs Baptist Church or the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society.

Cemetery Details

Forestlawn Memorial Gardens

730 Golden Springs Rd
Anniston, AL

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Golden Springs Baptist Church
Anniston, AL

Service

NOV 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

Golden Springs Baptist Church
Anniston, AL

Tribute Wall

AM

“*Mary, Diane and I were unfortunately unable to attend Louis's memorial service. We can only offer our heartfelt sympathy and hold the wonderful memories of worshiping with you, Louis, and all the other members of Greenbrier Road who are so dear to us. We never understand why our loved ones are taken. But we rest in the TRUTH that GOD knows the time to call his own home. May HE wrap you in his loving arms and sustain you during this great loss. Rest assured, Mary, that you and your family are in our prayers first and our fond memories second. Yours in HIS marvelous LOVE!*
Diane and Alan McCurry”

Alan & Diane McCurry - November 05, 2017 at 12:43 AM

DC

“*Daniel Pam Adam Clibrey Joyce Clark Rachel Caldwell purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Louis M "Sam" Bass.*”



Daniel Pam Adam Clibrey Joyce Clark Rachel Caldwell -
November 01, 2017 at 07:40 PM

IS

“*IT Dept RMC Anniston, J'ville & Stringfellow purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Louis M "Sam" Bass.*”



IT Dept RMC Anniston, J'ville & Stringfellow - November 01,
2017 at 12:41 PM

KC

“ *Kim Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Louis M "Sam" Bass*



Kim Carpenter - October 31, 2017 at 11:52 PM

AS

“ *ANITA S SEAMAN lit a candle in memory of Louis M "Sam" Bass*



ANITA S SEAMAN - October 31, 2017 at 06:13 PM

NF

“ *Nick, Elisa, Maddie, & Anna Foster purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Louis M "Sam" Bass.*



Nick, Elisa, Maddie, & Anna Foster - October 31, 2017 at 05:06 PM

EJ

“ *Employees of RMC Jacksonville purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Louis M "Sam" Bass.*



Employees of RMC Jacksonville - October 31, 2017 at 04:24 PM

SC

“ *Sherra Claunch lit a candle in memory of Louis M "Sam" Bass*



Sherra Claunch - October 31, 2017 at 03:41 PM

SC

“ *Louis was a great man. He loved God, his Family, his Friends, and his Country. I have fond memories of what a great church friend he was. I will never forget him. To my dear friend Mary and all of your family members, I want you to know I have you in my heart, in my thoughts, and in my prayers. You are very dear to me. I hope you can find peace in knowing Louis is free of pain, sorrow, and anything negative this old world holds. I hope this verse of scripture will help you in the days ahead. Louis had such a great name and upstanding personality and reputation. "A good name is better than precious ointment, and the day of death than the day of one's birth.".....Ecc. 7:1.*

Sherra Claunch - October 31, 2017 at 03:41 PM