



**In Loving Memory of
John Calvin Cato**

April 16, 1932 – September 03, 2023

John Calvin Cato triumphantly entered Heaven on September 3, 2023 at the age of 91 after a life well-lived here on Earth. John is survived by his wife of 63 years, Cecilia. Three children: Christine Curtis (Scott), Matthew Cato (Cynthia), and Rebecca Riojas (Randy). Seven grandchildren: Blake Curtis (Genevieve), Hayden Curtis, Cale Curtis, Monte Cato, Dimitri Riojas (Van), Giavana Riojas and Stormy Riojas. Two great grandchildren: Rowan Curtis and Thai John Riojas. John was born on April 16, 1932 in Gretna,

Louisiana to James and Beulah Cato. He was the youngest of his siblings

James, Gloria and Eulah. He left home and high school to join the US Army, eventually to serve in the Korean War.

After returning from the war, he used his GI Bill to attend and graduate from Southeastern Louisiana College in Hammond, Louisiana with a degree in Business. On July 9, 1960 John married the love of his life, Cecilia Kramme. They made their home on Derbes Drive in Gretna, Louisiana and had a wonderful life there for them and their children. In 1978, John moved his family to San Antonio, Texas where they resided until his death.

John worked for H.B. Zachry Construction Company for 30 years. His tenacious business sense, managerial skills, and project development expertise enabled John to be involved in major engineering projects all over the world. It was a stellar career with countless accomplishments and connections with many valued associates and friends worldwide.

His legacy in this world, his bravery, his love of family and friends, and his brilliant sense of humor will all be deeply missed but will live on in the hearts and memories of all who knew him.

A graveside service with full military honors will take place on Friday, December 1, 2023 11:00 am at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio, Texas.

