Thomas Gaughan Carmody

SHREVEPORT, LA - Thomas Gaughan Carmody, 80, a veteran Shreveport oilman, passed away July 17, 2012 of complications following surgery.

A Mass of the Resurrection will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, July 20, 2012, at St. Joseph Catholic Church. A rosary will be said at 7:15 p.m., Thursday, July 19, 2012 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, with visitation following in the church foyer.

Mr. Carmody was born January 7, 1932, in Shreveport to Arthur Roderick Carmody and Caroline Gaughan Carmody. He graduated from St. John's High School (now Loyola College Prep), Georgetown University and Centenary College. He was president of Mallard Drilling Corp. and Gloster Lumber Company, and remained active in the oil and gas business until his death.

As a leader in community and regional concerns, Mr. Carmody served as a director of the Noel Foundation, Volunteers for Youth Justice, American Association of Petroleum Geologists and Southern Badminton Association, serving as president for many years. He also served as president of the Petroleum Club of Shreveport, of which his father was its first president in 1950.

Mr. Carmody won the National Seniors Badminton Tournament doubles competition in Orlando, Florida in 1984, as well as numerous other state and regional championships. He was inducted into the Shreveport Sports Hall of Fame. In his last years, he coached badminton as adjunct professor at Louisiana State University-Shreveport.

Mr. Carmody was devoted to the Catholic faith and a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Shreveport. In 1989, he was elected to the Loyola College Prep Hall of Honor. He was also honored by Pope John Paul II as a member of the Pontifical Equestrian Order of St. Gregory the Great.

Mr. Carmody was preceded in death by his son, Christopher Phelan Carmody, his parents, and his brother Michael Barry Carmody. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Katherine Phelan Carmody, formerly of Beaumont, Texas; his children, Katherine Carmody Frangos and her husband, Dino, of Mobile, Alabama; Caroline Carmody Chumley of Shreveport; Thomas Gaughan Carmody, Jr. and his wife, Wendy of Shreveport; Francis Michael Carmody of Shreveport; Josephine Gaughan Carmody of Shreveport; Anne Carmody Pugh and her husband, Scott, of Slidell, Louisiana; Anthony Phelan Carmody, and his wife, Katherine of Shreveport; Elizabeth Carmody Van Genderen of Denver, Colorado; John Barry Carmody, and his wife, Elizabeth of Shreveport; Margaret Carmody Hagood and her husband, Robert of Charleston, South Carolina; Bridget Carmody Day and her husband, Bryan of Baton Rouge; and Marie Kennedy Carmody of Baton Rouge. He is survived by his brother, Arthur Roderick Carmody, Jr. and his wife, Mary; and sister, Josephine Gaughan.
Carmody, and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He is also survived by grandchildren, Katherine Elizabeth Frangos, Nicholas Soter Frangos, Caroline Gaughan Frangos, Delbert William Chumley IV, Daniel Thomas Chumley, and his wife, Leslee, Walter Edward Chumley, Matthew Carmody Chumley, and his wife, Roxanne, Rose Marie Carmody, Charlotte McDade Pugh, Philip Bragg Pugh, William Carmody Pugh, Anthony Phelan Carmody, Jr., Georgia Louise Carmody, Lily Grace Carmody, Frederick Miller Carmody, Elizabeth Kennedy Van Genderen, Thomas Phelan Van Genderen, John Barry Carmody, Jr., Genevieve Elizabeth Carmody, Robert Camp Hagood, Jr., Francis Carmody Hagood, Mary Margaret Phelan Hagood, Virginia Maybank Hagood, Eloise Josephine Day, Michael Bryan Day, Patrick Carmody Day, Christopher Liam Day, and Joseph Carmody Alexander.

Serving as pallbearers will be Delbert Chumley, Daniel Chumley, Walter Chumley, Matthew Chumley, Nicholas Frangos and David Bates. Honorary pallbearers are Joe Averett, Jack Batson, A. C. Black, Mike Harrington, Delton Harrison, Lipu Kong, Denny Long, Roberto Majera, Ben Read, Norman Savers, and Romeo Vargas.

Memorials may be made to the Carmody Memorial Fund at Loyola College Prep, 921 Jordan Street, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101, or St. Joseph Catholic School, 1210 Anniston Avenue, Shreveport, Louisiana 71105.

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May the road rise to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face.

May the rains fall soft upon your fields

and until we meet again,

May the Lord hold you in the palm of His hand.

You pray for me,

As I pray for thee,

That we may meet merrily in heaven.

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