



## Samuel A. Listi

August 19, 1942 - January 10, 2026

Samuel "Sam" Anthony Listi entered into eternal rest on January 10, 2026. He was 83 years old. He was preceded in death by his mother, Frances Ottea Listi; his father, Tony; and his mentor, Rev. Paul C. Pieri.

Sam attended Saint Thomas High School (1960) and went on to attend Texas A&M University where he was as a member of the Corp of Cadets and obtained a degree in Architecture. He practiced as an architect and for a brief period, was an instructor at Saint Thomas High School (1989-2000) and advertising director at the Texas Catholic Herald 1990-2000.

Sam was an avid supporter of his alma mater St. Thomas High School and enjoyed being a member of the Texas Italian-American Sports Foundation, which assisted scholar-athletes in advancing their sporting careers after high school. Sam enjoyed traveling, playing golf and attending spring training to watch the Houston Astros. He was an excellent chef and was always up for cooking up a plate of spaghetti & meatballs, stuffed artichokes or his famous Osso Buco.

He moved to South Padre Island to further his architecture career and construction ambitions. He became politically active and served on the City Council where he enacted many changes to the Island in planning and zoning.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 41 years, Juliette (Wisnoski); son, Tony and wife Brandi with grandson Sam and granddaughter Madeline; son, Carlo and wife Lynn; daughter, Shelly with grandsons Cody and Brandon and granddaughters Ashley and Addison and great granddaughter Sadie; son, Daniel and wife Erica with granddaughters Emmaline, Georgia, Sidney and grandson Hayes.

Sam considers the best thing that happened to him was marrying Juliette and his induction into the St. Thomas Hall of Honor.

Services will be held at St. Theresa Catholic Church in Memorial Park on Friday January 16, 2026. The visitation and viewing of the body from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., the rosary at 10:30 a.m., followed by a Mass at 11:00 a.m. and a reception at the Fellowship Hall. Interment will occur on Monday, January 19 at 2:00 p.m. at Forest Park Lawndale.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to St. Thomas High School: <https://www.sths.org/support/fundraising/memorialgifts/>, or to a charity of your choice.

St. Thomas High School  
4500 Memorial Dr.  
Houston, TX 77007

Pallbearers will be Cody Listi, Brandon McCullouch, Sam Listi, Hayes Listi, Tony Moritz and Nathan Wisnoski.

Eulogy: Dan Kaziny

Lectors: Emmaline Listi and Georgia Listi

# Tribute Wall



“ Will always remember the years that several of use joined Sam for coffee first thing in morning - pretty much 5 days a week, and will cherish the last night before he moved back to Houston that several of us got together at his place for dinner and laughs. We will miss you Sam - RIP.

*Dianna Harvill*



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