



Jose Antonio "Tony" Yrigoyen

April 15, 1941 - June 7, 2014

Montgomery resident Jose Antonio "Tony" Yrigoyen, 73, died May 26, 2014, in Conroe, Texas. Mr. Yrigoyen was born April 15, 1941, in Cochabamba, Bolivia, to Rómulo and Rina Yrigoyen. He graduated from La Salle High School in Cochabamba in 1960. After time as a university student in Chile, he moved to Houston in 1963. A short while later, he began his studies at the University of Houston and earned his Bachelors' Degree in Civil Engineering in 1970.

He married Eleanor Baumstark on January 27, 1967, in Houston. Tony spent 17 years with Fluor Daniel as a construction engineer and project manager, living and working in Louisiana, Oklahoma and California as well as internationally in Puerto Rico, Iran, Abu Dhabi, Korea and Saudi Arabia. Upon returning to the United States in 1984, he began working for the Texas Department of Transportation. Early in his career he led a number of highway projects throughout the state; in later years he also collaborated with researchers at the University of Houston and Texas A&M University to improve asphalts and road designs. Mr. Yrigoyen earned his Professional Engineering licensure in 2000. After 22 years with the Texas Department of Transportation, he consulted with Pate Transportation Partners until his retirement in 2009.

He moved to Montgomery in 2006. Throughout his life and into retirement, he

enjoyed spending time outdoors, particularly golfing, fishing, boating and bird watching.

He is survived by his wife, Eleanor; daughter and son-in-law Cristina and Matthew Dangel of Houston, Texas, and three grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church, in Plantersville, Texas, on Saturday, June 7th. A rosary will be lead at 9:45 am in the church. Fr. Ed Kucera will preside over a Memorial Mass at 10:30 am, and a reception will follow. Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home (Montgomery) is in charge of arrangements. Flowers may be sent to St. Mary's Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Tony Yrigoyen to the American Diabetes Association.

Tribute Wall



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“ *My condolences for your loss to your family. I got to know Tony while working on several projects for the Galveston TxDOT office. He was so kind and had such a funny wit and laugh. He was also very knowledgeable and willing to explore new ideas in the geotechnical field. He spoke very lovingly of his family, especially his daughter. I pray that with God's help your family will find comfort in his memories and all the lives that he touched. God bless you.*

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