



## Anthony David Heaner

November 14, 1937 - February 29, 2020

Anthony David Heaner, age 82 of Houston, TX died Saturday, February 29, 2020 at the hospital surrounded by his loving family.

He was a native Houstonian, born November 14, 1937 at Hermann Hospital to John Elbert Heaner II and Beatrice Looock Heaner. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, John Elbert Heaner III, and close cousin, Sam S. Emison, Jr.

Mr. Heaner grew up in La Porte and was Lutheran by faith. Survivors include his daughter, Martha Katherine Heaner (Martica), son, Anthony David Heaner, Jr. and wife Amy, and daughters Beatrice Heaner and Florence Heaner and husbands, Jesus and Kevin; sisters Kathleen Heaner Hannah and husband, David; sister, Mary Jane Heaner, sister-in-law, Linda Heaner; grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews and grandnieces and grandnephews.

Tony graduated from La Porte High School and kept up with former classmates, attending reunions until just recently. His childhood was filled with the activities that living in the country provided such as selling fireworks, raising chickens, riding horses, and he even set up his own chemistry lab. He had a woodshop and taught himself how to weld. He worked in the family garden. He was an acolyte at St. John's Episcopal Church in La Porte and played football for La Porte HS.

He attended Baylor University in Waco and the University of Texas in Austin. He studied math, chemistry and physics in college, but followed in his father's footsteps working in the family business. He became President of Baby Giant Food Stores, Inc., one of the first convenience store chains in the greater Houston area that was founded in the 60s.

His natural drive to learn continued throughout his life in both leisurely and professional pursuits. He taught himself to speak German and Spanish. He had an early interest in computers in the 1970s. Through a timeshare computer, he taught himself programming, which led to the purchase of his own IBM 360 mainframe computer to run his company. He was a passionate pianist and would play for three or more hours at a time on a daily basis. He was an avid gun collector, devoted Astros fan and had a profound love for his three dogs, who preceded him in death: Chrissy, Kenny and Elsie.

Following a private interment, Memorial Services will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, March 6, 2020 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 800 Houston Avenue, Houston, TX 77007. In lieu of customary remembrances, and for those desiring, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be directed to Trinity Lutheran Church and/or a favorite animal rescue charity.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAR 6. 1:00 PM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church  
800 Houston Avenue  
Houston, TX 77007

# Tribute Wall



“ Anthony David Heaner

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ Anthony David Heaner

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ Anthony David Heaner

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM

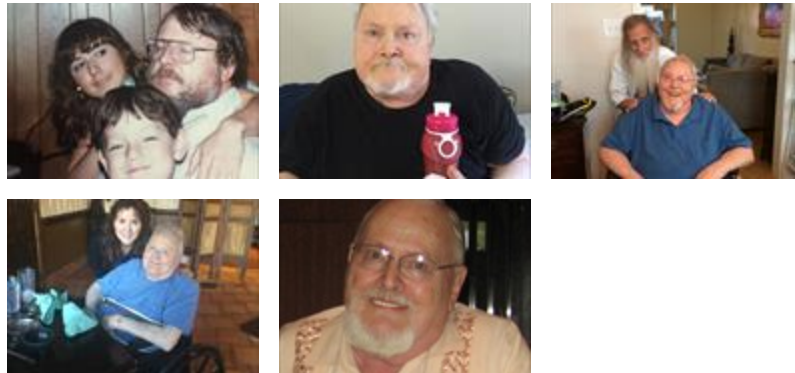


“ Anthony David Heaner

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



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Martica Heaner - April 16, 2020 at 05:53 PM

RM

“ I remember Tony. Full of laughter and loved to tell a funny story or incident even if he was the person who suffered the consequences.  
*roger neil moss*

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**roger neil moss** - March 06, 2020 at 05:01 PM

BP

“ Remembering all the good times and the laughter we shared. Time heals all sorrow, but know that you were loved. Thoughts and prayers to the Heaner family in this time of great sadness.

*Much love,*

*Betty, Jack and Thomas*

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**Betty Powell** - March 06, 2020 at 09:16 AM

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“ Martica and your precious famiiy, we hold you in our hearts during these difficult hours and days and in the days to come. May your family's profound sadness soon be replaced by only happy memories. - Love always. Dr. John and Teresa Tosi and Eme'

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**Teresa Tosi** - March 05, 2020 at 11:09 PM

JA

*Martica, It is with great sadness that I hear of Tony's passing. He was a kind gentleman who always treated me with respect and shared his love for learning. He would talk for hours about the IBM mainframe that he, as a single individual, was able to master and run so elegantly. You know, usually there are a team of people that would have to be employed to run that thing. I always learned something from him during our interactions. He was also a master of finding the problem with an electronic device such as video games and the like. He also was able to hold a deep conversation about maths. So many talents in one individual...so rare. And his easygoing nature was calming. I will miss him. Jack D.*

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**Jack** - March 06, 2020 at 09:07 AM