



## Robert Thomas Cain Jr.

March 15, 1952 - August 19, 2019

Robert (Bob) Thomas Cain, Jr., 67, of Lufkin, Texas, passed away battling Stage 4, gastric cancer on August 19, 2019. He was surrounded by his loving family as Father David Wooten, Orthodox Priest of St. Anthony the Great Church, San Antonio, said final prayers over him. Bob practiced law in Angelina County for 42 years and enjoyed his partnership in the law firm of Alderman Cain & Neill PLLC.

Bob was born on March 15, 1952 in Atlanta, Georgia and grew up in Quitman, Georgia. He graduated from Emory University with a B.A. in English Literature and from the University of Texas School of Law in Austin in 1977. That same year he was admitted to the Texas State Bar. Bob was also certified in Civil Appellate Law in 1995 by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. He was an accomplished appellate attorney, presenting and winning many landmark cases to the Supreme Court of Texas, 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans, and Texas Appellate Courts in Beaumont and Tyler.

Bob was an active member of his community serving as a board member of Rube Sessions Library, Kurth Memorial Library, Samaritan Counseling Center, Volunteer Service Council for Lufkin State School, Angelina County Bar Association, and Parish Council leader of St. John of Damascus Orthodox Church, Tyler, Texas. His most cherished accomplishment was starting the Adoption Center of East Texas ("ACET") which helped 300 couples adopt children and become families.

He is survived and will be greatly missed by his wife of 43 years, Sally Davis

Cain; daughter Abigail Elizabeth Cain and son-in-law Richard Kenneth Test of San Antonio; sister and brother-in-law Marjorie and Bob Holladay of Tallahassee, Florida; mother-in-law Patricia Kallminzer Davis of Lakeway, Texas; sister-in-law Mary Davis Cobb and her husband Tim Cobb; sister-in-law Nancy Davis Brougham; and nephews Brian Cobb and his wife Cami and Christopher Cobb and his wife Megan.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Marie and Robert Cain, and father-in-law Emery Davis.

Services will be held on Friday, August 23, 2019, at 10 am at St. John of Damascus Orthodox Church in Tyler, Texas, with Father David Bozeman and Father John Mikita officiating. Burial will follow at Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ Monastery, St. Xenia Cemetery with reception to follow in Kemp, Texas, under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home, Tyler, Texas.

A Celebration of Life reception will be held at Henderson Chapel Parlor, at the First United Methodist Church of Lufkin, on Saturday, August 24, 2019, from 2 to 4 pm. in Lufkin, Texas.

Special thanks for Bob's care team of oncologists: Dr. Mariela Blum, MDA Houston and Dr. Laura Tenner, MDA San Antonio.

Memorials can be made to St. John of Damascus Orthodox Church (special projects in memory of Bob Cain), 12989 CR113, Tyler, Texas 75709 or Providence Adoption Center, 6487 Whitby Road, San Antonio, Texas 78240.

# Cemetery Details

## Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ Monastery

17671 CR 4057  
Kemp, TX 75143

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **22**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. John of Damascus Orthodox Church  
12989 CR 1113  
Tyler, TX 75709

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AUG **22**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. John of Damascus Orthodox Church  
12989 CR 1113  
Tyler, TX 75709

## Service

AUG **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John of Damascus Orthodox Church  
12989 CR 1113  
Tyler, TX 75709



# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



August 24, 2019 at 12:11 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



August 23, 2019 at 09:46 AM



“ *The Brockman's purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



**The Brockman's** - August 22, 2019 at 09:22 PM



“ *All the Wylies will miss Bob's wisdom, good humor, and legal expertise that resolved complicated business situations. We will miss Bob individually and as a whole--Edith W. Miller*

**Edith W Miller** - August 22, 2019 at 03:32 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



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August 22, 2019 at 12:58 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



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August 22, 2019 at 12:01 PM



“ *Charlie, Beth, and Matthew Reser and Momo purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



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**Charlie, Beth, and Matthew Reser and Momo** - August 22, 2019 at 10:33 AM



“ *Bob and I were boarding school roommates at the Bolles School in Jacksonville our senior year. We both came from small towns and had a lot in common. Bob was an incredibly intelligent young man. He was a good friend at an exciting time in our lives. I know he loved his family. I can't believe he is gone. I know he is with God now. My condolences to his family.*

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**William Kent** - August 22, 2019 at 10:08 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



August 22, 2019 at 09:42 AM



“ *PATRICIA A CAIN purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



**PATRICIA A CAIN** - August 21, 2019 at 10:55 PM



“ *Richly Remembered was purchased for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



August 21, 2019 at 10:37 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



August 21, 2019 at 10:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



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August 21, 2019 at 06:19 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



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August 21, 2019 at 04:15 PM



“ *May God, who is in his heaven, send blessings and comfort to the family of this most loving and kind man, Bob Cain. May his legacy live on through the things that he has taught those around him. May the love that he had for Sally continue to grow, as love never dies. May that love wrap itself around Sally, Abigail, and others he loved to remind them that love never dies. It grows and waits until it is reunited in heaven.*

*Bob you will be missed,*

*Benetha Jackson*

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**Benetha Jackson** - August 21, 2019 at 03:59 PM

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“*Bob Cain is the gold standard on what a friend, a husband, a father, and a good citizen should be. My family and I are blessed to have known him. My sons thought of him as a second father. One of my favorite memories is when my sons were talking about someone they knew, explaining that the individual was "smart." Then they qualified the judgement by saying, "Well, he's smart, but not Mr. Cain smart!"*

*I will miss him; I will cherish his memory and utilize his wisdom. He inspired me in life, and the way that he faced this last battle has inspired me more than I thought possible.*

*Au revoir, Robert! I look forward to our next meeting.*

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**Diana Throckmorton** - August 21, 2019 at 03:47 PM

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“ I have too many memories and not enough room to post them. Robert T. Cain Jr. had many names. I first knew him as "Mr. Cain," but over the years it evolved to "Señor Cain," "Roberto," or just "Señor". He was my mentor since I was a little kid that wanted to go to law school and be like him. Bob let me work at his firm when I was 18 and shadow him when he went for oral arguments in Tyler. Bob had the intelligence to give me guidance on my legal writing, the patience to listen to my complaints about the struggles of law school (which turned into complaints about the struggles of practicing law), and the sense of humor to laugh when I spit food out at the table in front of everyone... much to my parents' chagrin. And yes, Diana Throckmorton DID slap me in the back of the head when I did that at the dinner table. But Bob laughed harder than anyone.

*I'll always remember him going with us to EVERY Harry Potter movie and our trips to the Kroger in Tyler to pick up Tab Cola for Dr. Cain, but mostly, I'll remember his laugh and how red his face got when I said or did something that offended everyone in the room.*

*I'm a lawyer because of him, and I'll see him again over the bridge (probably wearing a powdered wig because he laughed when I did off-the-wall things).*

*Ama siempre,*

*Señor Connor*

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**Connor Throckmorton** - August 21, 2019 at 03:15 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert Thomas Cain Jr..*



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August 21, 2019 at 02:52 PM