



## Robert G. DeCrosta, Sr.

December 10, 1933 - September 26, 2011

Robert G. DeCrosta, Sr., "The Rock", passed away quickly and peacefully on Monday, September 26, 2011 in Houston, Texas.

Born December 10, 1933 in Hudson, he was the son of the late Edward and Ann Marie DeCrosta.

He attended Hudson High School where he excelled in all sports, especially football. He played scholarship football at Louisiana State University and then went on to a very successful career as a football coach.

The Catholic Diocese recruited him to start a new school athletic program for Bishop Dunne, a new school at that time in Dallas, Texas, where he coached football, baseball, basketball, and track, as well as teaching math and history. His football career spanned decades as he went on to coach at Bishop Lynch High School and Rice University.

Robert was a veteran of the US Navy.

Mr. DeCrosta is survived by his children, Julie Palmacci, Robert "Bubba" DeCrosta, David DeCrosta, and Traci Gholson; eight grandchildren, Ashlie, Alexx, David, and Anthony DeCrosta, Erika, Alyssa, and Nick Palmacci, and Hunter Gholson; two siblings, Cristina Herzog and Edward DeCrosta; two

great-grandchildren, Christian Nicholas DeCrosta and Hailey Kay DeCrosta, and several nieces and nephews.

Robert was predeceased by family members, Mary Nicholson, Louis DeCrosta, Virginia Gardner, Jeanette DeRose, and Ann Marie Alger.

A calling hour will begin at 11 am Saturday, November 5, 2011 at the Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home, followed by memorial services at 12 noon.

Burial will be in Cedar Park Cemetery in Hudson.

Donations may be made to Bishop Dunne Catholic School, attn: Lydia Torrez, 3900 Rugged Drive, Dallas, TX, 75224.