

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Friday, March 11, 2022

Location: **Beck Funeral Home**

1700 E Whitestone Blvd, Cedar Park, TX 78613

4.00 pm – 5.00 pm	Family Viewing
5.00 pm – 5.30 pm	General Viewing
5.30 pm – 6.00 pm	Evening prayer
6.00 pm – 7.30 pm	Visitation and condolences
7.30 pm – 8.15 pm	3 rd service

Saturday, March 12, 2022

Location: **St. Gregorios Orthodox Church, Austin**

14619 Bois D-Arc Rd, Manor, TX 78653

8.30 am – 9.00 am	Family Viewing
9.00 am – 11.00 am	Visitation and condolences
11.00 am – 12.00 pm	4 th service
12.30 pm – 1.30 pm	Procession to cedar park cemetery
1.30 pm -2.00 pm	Interment service
2.00 pm	Fellowship meal at Rockbridge church

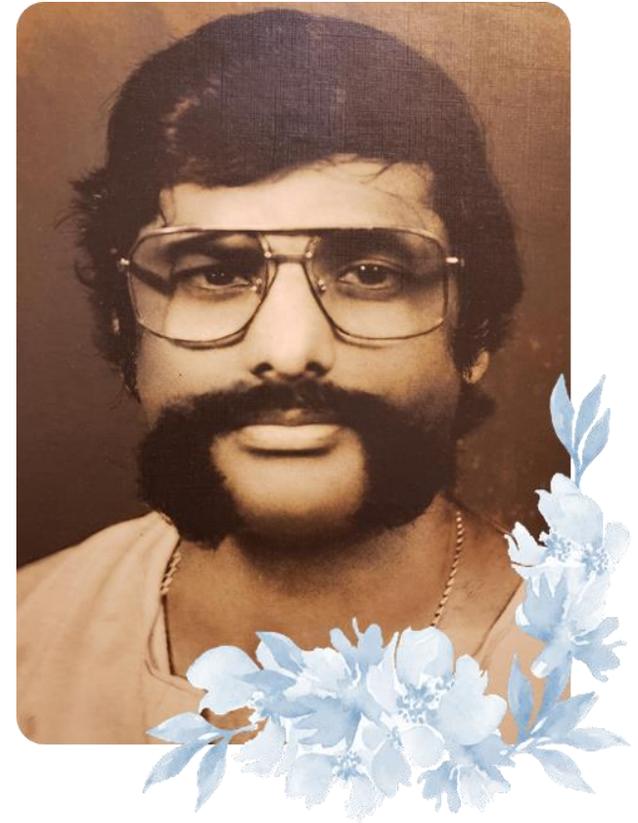
Cedar Park Cemetery:

300 W. Park Street, Cedar Park, TX 78613

Rockbridge Church:

2001 West New Hope Drive, Cedar Park, TX 78613

*In
Loving Memory*



RAJAN. C. BABU
(1945 - 2022)

OBITUARY

Rajan Chakkalaparampil Babu passed away in peace and glory on March 2nd, 2022. He was 77 years young, and completely devoted to his family and his faith. Although he was formally known as Rajan C. Babu, he was known as simply "Babu" to friends and others alike. It is said that his greatest moments of joy were his own marriage, the marriages of his children, birth of his children and grandchildren, and spending time with his entire family. Babu was the patriarch and the leader of his family, enjoying laughter and family get-togethers, playing with his grandchildren and being integral in the success of his children's future. He was instrumental in bringing communities together and forming parishes dedicated to the Syrian Orthodox Church (Jacobite). Spreading the word of God through the Orthodox faith was truly an endeavor of love for Babu and one that was personal and intimate to his 77-year life span.

Babu also truly loved his brothers, Thomas Koshy, Alexander Koshy, Abraham Koshy, and his sisters, Mariamma Mathews, Valsamma Jose, and Aleyamma Babu and their respective extended families. The large family get togethers was one of Babu's greatest sources of happiness and pride.

Babu was born in Chengannur, Kerala [India] to Rahelamma and Thomas Koshy in 1945. He served in the Indian Army and traveled around India during his young adult life for 10 years. Babu married Thankamma Chacko on December 26, 1970 in Chengannur and after a few years, they had their first child, Manoj. He then came to the United States to start a new life in 1977. Babu lived in New York City working as a Yellow Cab driver where he made lifelong friends and started a new life in Queens, NY, having his second child Manju, a few years later. He was one of the founding members in St. Mary's Malankara Orthodox Church. He played an important role in helping many of his brothers and sisters, and various families start their lives in the U.S. In 1984, Babu and his family moved to Lufkin, Texas and again made new friends and helped establish the St. Thomas Malankara Orthodox Church in Lufkin.

He spent many of his formative adult years in Lufkin, where he lived with his family including Thankamma, Manoj and Manju. Thankamma was his biggest supporter and helped work tirelessly beside him as a Nurse, the two of them would alternate work schedules, working side by side to ensure their children never wanted for anything. One of his biggest achievements was seeing his son and daughter achieve

success through higher education at large institutions such as Texas A&M University (B.S), Marquette University (M.B.A.), and Case Western Reserve University (Ph.D) [Manoj] and University of Texas at Austin (B.S) [Manju].

He worked at Lufkin Industries for 30 plus years, where he was a lead machinist, reading blueprints and cutting gears for large oil & gas transportation equipment. Through his hard work and sacrifice, Babu ensured that his children never had to worry about the cost of their educational dreams. Babu also had a love for animals, and had many German shepherd dogs during his time in Lufkin. In addition, Babu was an avid gardener, growing vegetables that he would use for fresh cooked Indian recipes and enjoying wonderful meals with family and friends.

Babu and Thankamma spent the last 10 years in Austin, TX (2012 - 2022) with his daughter Manju, her husband Moh, and their children, Rania (7) and Adam (4). His pride and joy were his grandchildren in Wisconsin [Manoj] and Texas [Manju]. In Wisconsin, Manoj and his wife Sheryn, have four children, Anthony (20), Sonya (18), Reya (17) and Michael (15). All 6 of his grandchildren loved their "Appacha" and shared many laughs and memories. He was a staple in the St. Gregorios Orthodox church in Austin and took great pleasure in attending weekly mass. He was a dear friend to many, not only in Austin, Texas, but also to many around the world.

Babu, our dearest father, husband, brother, grandfather, cousin, friend, Rest in Peace, for God has called you by name to spend eternity with Him.

Pallbearers:

Manoj Babu, Mohammad Dadara, Anthony Babu, Michael Babu, Reni Mathews, Binu Thomas, Saju Thomas, Koshy Alexander, Adam Dadara, Raj Alexander

Memorial Website:

<https://www.beckchapels.com/obituary/rajan-babu>

www.stgregoriosaustin.org/portal/obituary/rajan-babu

Live stream: <https://vimeo.com/684860931>