

*Celebration of the Life
of
Edward Joseph Sibilly, Sr.
March, 1921 - March 15, 1999*



Viewing

Tuesday, March 23, 1999

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

John Thomas Funeral Home

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Mass

2:00 p.m.

Interment

Mafolie Cemetery

Survivors

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CHILDREN

Edward, Lawrence Sr., David, James, Richard, and Duane (Freddie)

GRANDCHILDREN

Tricia, Tara, Tami, Lawrence Jr., Sommer, Ciara, James Jr., Jeffrey, Jessica, Jean-Michael, Sieda, Richard Jr., Rachael, Roslynn, Rena, Roy, Duane Jr., Danielle and Dominique

BROTHER

Leo Richard Sibilly, Sr.

SISTERS

Valentine Roebuck, Cecile Moorehead, Elaine Colon and Clely Berry

DAUGHTERS-IN-LAW

Adria, Arsentia, Linda, Rowena and Joan

IN-LAWS

Hypolite Roebuck, Leslie Moorehead, Carmen Sibilly, Ann Sibilly, Paul Berry, Valerie Maxwell, Claudette Gibbs, Monroe Gibbs, Richard Gibbs, Douglas Gibbs and Vincent Gibbs

Many great grand-children, nieces, nephews, cousins
and other relatives and friends.



Pallbearers

Edward Sibilly, Jr., Lawrence Sibilly, Sr., David Sibilly, James Sibilly, Sr., Richard Sibilly, Duane "Freddie" Sibilly, Sr., James Sibilly, Jr., Jeffrey Sibilly

Honorary Pallbearers

Dr. John Moorehead, Arthur Williams, Alpheus Rogers, Sr., Leo Sibilly, Sr., Paul Berry, Dr. Sylvester McDonald, Elroy John, Leslie Moorehead, Frank Sibilly, Milton Downing, Glenn Lawrence

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EDWARD JOSEPH SIBILLY was born on March 2, 1921 to the late Jean Joseph Sibilly and Zulma Querrard Sibilly, the third of seven children.



Ed attended the Mafolie School, which in those days was held in the church. He later moved on to Sts. Peter and Paul School to attend the seventh grade. It was Ed's responsibility to travel to town each morning with the horse to pick up the School Master, and on weekends, the Parish Priest. After school, he helped the family by working in the Sibilly Grocery Store ("The Shop") and working on the farm, gardening and taking care of the cattle.

Ed's "impish" ways made him a very popular character among his peers, especially being the first licensed driver in the Northside. He was very active in sports including cricket and softball where he was a "senior" member of the then very popular Mountaineers Softball Team. When he left school, he worked in construction with his father. During the Second World War, Ed worked on St. Thomas for the United States Army as a guard and Chief Dispatcher.

On December 20, 1945, Ed married the former Bernice Marie Ferrari, who preceded him in death on October 29, 1989. He was the proud father of six sons.

In 1958, Ed relocated to New York with his family. He returned a few years later and resumed construction work with his father. When the Catholic Church decided to build a chapel in Tortola, Ed worked very hard on this project, and was instrumental in getting the construction off the ground. He later joined the Public Works Department on St. Thomas where he worked in the Heavy Equipment section until his retirement.

Ed was an avid reader and in his retirement years, his favorite past-time was reading any book he could get his hands on. He also enjoyed walking around the neighborhood visiting his brother and sisters usually ending up "down to the house" spending the day with his sister Elaine.

He will be dearly missed.