Andrew “Burt” Cashio was a lifelong resident of St. John Parish. He was called to his Heavenly Home on June 16, 2018.

He was born in Lions in June of 1939, but was a resident of Garyville. Burt married the love of his life, his wife Joyce Stein, in September of 1962. He will be truly missed by his family.

Burt was preceded in death by his dad and mom, Andrew “Bebe” Cashio and Lillie Mae Millet Cashio, as well as his sister June Madere (Burton).

Burt is survived by a very large, loving family, including his wife of 55 years, Joyce Stein Cashio; his children, Terrilyn Sanford (Chuck), Jeffrey Cashio (Gwen), and Brigitte Price; grandchildren Erika Cashio, Andrew Sanford, Lauren Price Kennard, Jessica Sanford and Marissa Price; great grandchildren: Gianna Grace Kennard and Mia Angelle Chilton; his brothers and sisters, David (Cheryl), Curtis (Nancy) Kathleen Weber (Phillip, deceased), Bruce (Jeanette), Harold (Chesley), Lillie Mae (Kirt), Michael “Petey” (Theresa) and Richard (Carolyn); Joyce’s brothers and sisters, James “Jimmy” Stein (Loretta), Janet Hyver (Brian), Johnny and Jerry (Denise); and a very large family of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

He loved people and loved blessing people. He never met a stranger. He loved being outside in his yard planting beautiful flowers and a vegetable garden. Burt loved his LSU Tigers. Watching football and baseball games with his grandson, Andrew, was one of his greatest joys. He loved taking pictures. He loved bowling so much and was on several teams. He even scored a Perfect 300 game.

Burt was very well known to the people of the River Parishes. He was the beloved voice of WCKW Radio Station for over 20 years. “The Italian Country Boy” spun records and introduced the community to music that he loved so much from “Swamp Pop” artists of Southeast Louisiana, as well as popular country music and Oldies every Saturday morning. So many people called in requests and went to visit him at the radio station. His service to the community included many, many years of service, including over 30 years as a member of the Knights of Columbus, where he was recognized several times as “Knight of the Year” for his tireless service to the parish. One of the events that was very close to his heart was hosting a Senior Citizen’s Luncheon and Bingo every year at Christmas. The free event included several games of Bingo, and close to 100 beautiful prizes were given out. The seniors of our community looked forward to this event every year. He served for over 30 years as Chairman and Co-Chairman of the United Way Campaign at Kaiser/Laroche in Gramercy. He served as Emcee for the Andouille Pageant and Riverside Academy Pageant.

A Funeral Mass was held Wednesday, June 20 at St. Peter’s Catholic Church in Reserve, with burial in St. Peter’s Catholic Cemetery.

Rose Lynn Funeral Services in Lutcher is in charge of arrangements. To sign and view the family guestbook, visit roselynnfuneralhome.com.

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