

## MOMSEN

GUS PETER MOMSEN, III passed away peacefully at home on November 19, 2007. Gus was born on October 11, 1925 in El Paso, Texas, to Gus Peter Momsen, Jr. and Aline Portis Momsen. A life long Catholic, Gus attended St. Joseph's Catholic grade school and graduated from Cathedral High School in 1943. At age 17 Gus joined the U.S. Navy and served as an Aviation Machinist Mate aboard the aircraft carrier The Cabot in the Pacific during WWII. After his discharge from the Navy, Gus attended St. Edwards University in Austin, Texas and then transferred to and graduated from The University of Notre Dame in 1949. In 1949 Gus married the love of his life Winifred Ann Foy. During his career, Gus was vice president of the family businesses, Momsen, Dunnegan, Ryan. After the family sold the businesses, Gus started his own commercial industrial construction business. He later owned and operated a retail appliance business. Gus held a brokerage license in real estate, was a Certified Appraiser with the American Society of Appraisers, a member and past president of the American Society of Appraisers of El Paso. He was a Condemnation Commissioner for the State of Texas. Gus was on the first board of directors of the Bassett National Bank of El Paso, Texas. Gus served as a member and past chairman of the Board of Directors at Loretto Academy. He was a Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus, a member and past president of the Roncolli Club of St. Joseph's Parish, was a member and past president of the Norte Dame Club in El Paso, Texas. He served on the Sun Bowl Football Committee. Gus was a member and past president of the Del Norte Club.

Gus was a life member of the VFW and American Legion and was a member of the Bayard Lions Club and the Elks Club of Silver City. Gus was also a past Domino Champ of the Foy Family Reunion. He retired in 1987 and moved to a cattle ranch in New Mexico. He is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Winifred Ann and his sister Margaret Momsen of Phoenix, Arizona. He was the father of eight children, Gus Peter Momsen IV, Aline Marie Healy (Dennis), Thomas Michael (Wanda), John David, Fredrick Mark (Richarda), James Patrick (Ellen), Alyssa Rose Russell (Robert) and Anne Larkin Maese (Octavio). Other survivors include his grand children Heather Hill (Gary), Gus Peter Momsen, V, Larkin Momsen, Patrick Healy, Benjamin Healy, Jennifer Momsen, Sean Momsen (Courtney), Tiffany Rowland, Moriah Momsen, Sean Brady, Owen Momsen, Liam Momsen, Robert Lee Russell, Jasmine Russell, Zachary Russell, Octavio Andres Maese, Mauricio Maese, Sofia Maese and two great grand children, Bethany Hill and Jacob Hill. Gus was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Frances Cunningham of Phoenix, Arizona. Gus also wanted to send special thanks to his doctors, William R. Fowler, MD and Donald Stinar, MD and his loyal caregiver, Yolanda. Gus requested a private family service in Bayard, New Mexico, and donations may be made to Cathedral High School, 1309 North Stanton Street, El Paso, Texas 79902. To send condolences, please login to: [www.bacasfuneralchapels.com](http://www.bacasfuneralchapels.com). Entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Silver City, Baca's Silver City Crematory, 3805 Delk Drive. Phone 388-2334.