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Louis Baioni, a well-known and respected businessman from Memphis, TN, passed away at the age of 89 on June 3, 2024, in Germantown, TN.

Born on August 28, 1934, in Shaw, MS. Louis was a man celebrated for his generosity, determination, and entrepreneurial spirit.

From the early age of 16, Louis was an accomplished drummer, playing in a band with his brother Terry and friends across various venues in the Delta. It was at one of these venues where he met his beloved wife of 64 years, Sylvia Oltremari. They married in 1955 and moved to Memphis following Louis's graduation with an accounting degree from Delta State University in 1956.

Louis began his career as a CPA at Minor and Moore, where he worked for 13 years. He then spent two years as Executive Vice President at Memphis Aero Corporation before joining Dunavant Enterprises. Over 28 years at Dunavant, Louis held many positions, eventually rising to Executive Vice President and CFO. After retiring from Dunavant in 1999, he was recruited to start The Seam, a company he helped lead in its initial years before stepping down to focus on other business ventures.

Throughout his career, Louis served on numerous boards, including those of Dunavant Enterprises, Cedar Document Technologies, EWR, the YMCA, The First Tee, and the University of Memphis School of Accounting Executive Advisory Board. He also played a significant role at Delta State University, where he was not only a board member but also the president of their Foundation. He notably spearheaded the university's first-ever capital campaign, which aimed to raise \$5 million in six years but impressively garnered \$5.4 million in just two years. His efforts were recognized with several prestigious accolades, including 'Outstanding Alumnus of the Year,' designation as commencement address speaker, and the dedication of a conference center in his honor.



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Besides being an accomplished drummer, Louis was also a certified pilot. He enjoyed taking his children on quick flights around Memphis and performing “touch and goes” at the Olive Branch airport. Later in life, he developed a passion for tennis, golf, and hunting trips with business partners and continued to play drums with local bands around town on various occasions.

Louis leaves behind a loving family: his children, Sharon, Paul, and Richard (Beth); his six grandchildren, Dominick, Justin, Lena Dion (Chris), Rachel Haley (Matt), Allison, and Melissa; and four great-grandchildren. Predeceased by his devoted wife, Sylvia, his parents Frank and Rosa, and siblings Terry, Juanita, Catherine, Lizzy, and Delma, Louis is now reunited with them in peace. He also cherished his later years with his companion, Margie Hornor.

A service of remembrance will be held at St. Louis Catholic Church in Memphis, TN, on Tuesday, June 11 at 10:00 AM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Louis Catholic Church, the Alzheimer's Association of Memphis, or the Tunica Humane Society to commemorate Louis's dedication to philanthropy and community service.


Louis Baioni's remarkable legacy of integrity, hard work, and love for his family and community will forever inspire those who knew him.

Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5668 Poplar Ave, Memphis, TN, 38119. (901) 767-8930.

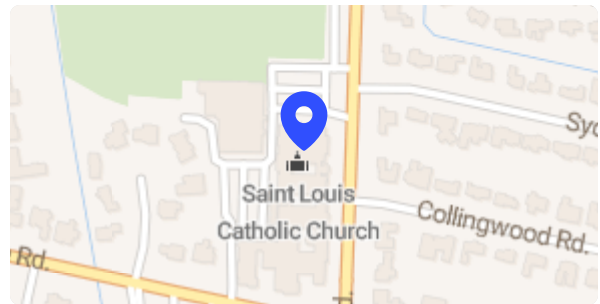


A service of remembrance

 **Tuesday**, June 11, 2024


 10:00 AM CT

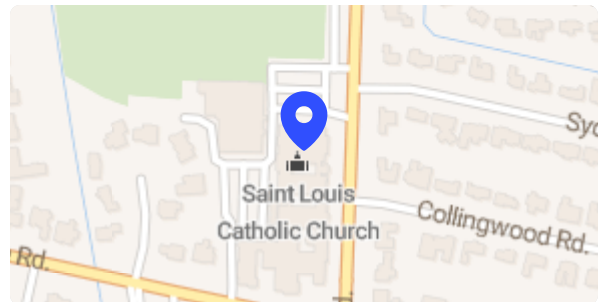
 **St. Louis Catholic Church**
203 S. White Station Rd., Memphis TN 38117



Reception following Service


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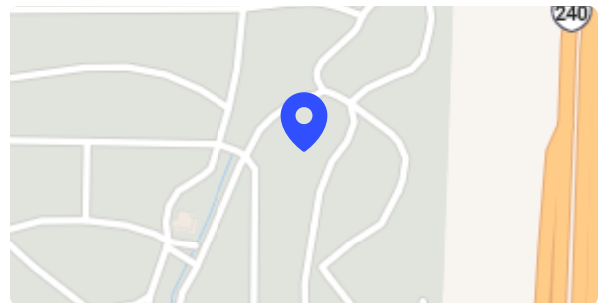
 **St. Louis Catholic Church, Clunan Center**
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Cemetery Details

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5668 Poplar Ave, Memphis TN 38119

 **(901) 445-8475**





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Stella Mei And Pat Corley posted:

Dear Sharon, Paul, Richard and family. Pat and I are very sorry for your loss. Louis was my Mother's first cousin, Amerina Biagioli Mei. I spent a lot of time at my Great Aunt Rosa and Uncle Frank's home as a teenager. Later Pat and I spent time with Louis and your dear Mother, Sylvia in Destin. Louis was a great guy and the family was always very proud of his accomplishments and the kind and fun person that he was. He will certainly be missed. Love, Stella Mei Corley and husband, Pat.

June 24 at 10:14 AM



Anonymous sent a Serene Retreat to the Baioni family.



June 10 at 5:48 AM



Shirley & Eric Ingraham planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Louis.



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Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Baioni family.



June 7 at 9:59 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Louis by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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