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JOSEPH CHARLES BROCATO

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MEMORIAL SERVICES

OF THE

SHREVEPORT BAR

November 13, 1952

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J O S E P H C H A R L E S B R O C A T O

On November 18, 1951, Joseph Charles Brocato passed away. So it will be with all of us eventually, but many of us have been given a little longer than the brief span of 34 years which was given him. In his limited span of life, he served God, his fellow man, and his community well.

Joseph was born at McGee, Arkansas on the 18th day of April, 1917, later moving to Shreveport in 1922. He was the son of C. O. and Rosa Giglo Brocato, both residents of Shreveport.

He was educated and graduated from St. John's High School at Shreveport. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Louisiana State University and upon graduating he attended the School of Law. Joseph was a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army Reserve upon graduating from L. S. U.

Being a lover of music, he organized and conducted his own band while at the University. He played for many campus functions as well as outside engagements.

After leaving the University, he returned to his home in Shreveport, where he studied privately and at Centenary College. He was admitted to the Louisiana State Bar in 1943 and engaged in the active practice of Law in Shreveport from that date until his death on November 18, 1951.

On March 5, 1946, he married the former Georgia Hamie of Baton Rouge, and that of his marriage to Georgia, three children were born, namely; Hedy Rose Brocato, Brinda Ann Brocato and Joseph C. Brocato, all of whom survive him. He loved his family and was very deeply devoted to them.

From all evidence available, Joseph suffered for many months from the illness which finally took his life. His passing will leave a vacant place in the lives of those who were near to and loved him. It is the sincere and profound wish of this Committee that his lovely children will be cared for and reared in the manner in which he would want them reared.

Joseph was a studious and intelligent lawyer. During his several years of private study, he devoted many and untiring hours to such study of law which gave him a good foundation and understanding of the principles of law. Having had this good foundation, he was well able to gather the facts, understand them and properly appraise a case and advise his client. Joseph was just in the prime of life and professional career when he was taken from us. The community has lost a good citizen and his family and friends, a loved one. In this short span of 34 years, he had lived a full life, in that he did not pursue life timidly, he quaffed life and loved it.

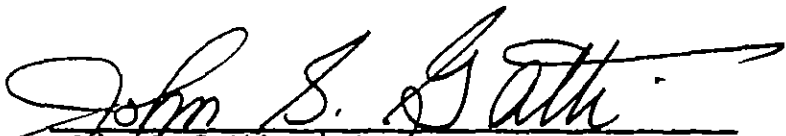
He was a member of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church of Shreveport, and was very devoted to it and was faithful to it in his attendance.

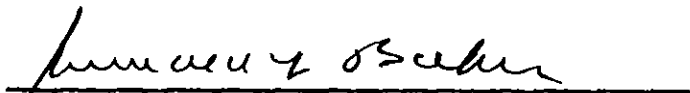
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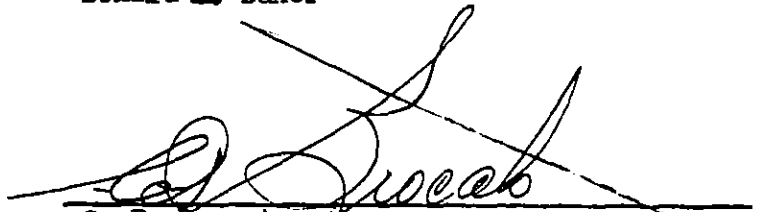
Shreveport Lodge No. 122 of the Order of Elks.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Shreveport Bar that the passing of Joseph Charles Brocato, the legal profession of Shreveport has lost a worthwhile member and that the Shreveport Bar does hereby express its profound sorrow of his death and extends to his devoted family their deepest sympathy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be filed and made a part of the records of this Honorable Court.


John S. Gatti, Chairman


Donald C. Baker


C. P. Brocato