



## Charles M. Boothby

November 15, 1929 - April 28, 2014

Charles Boothby of Sarasota passed away surrounded by his children Monday, April 28, 2014. He was preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Sylvia. He is fondly remembered by his children Gigi and David Payne, Sue and Tim Garrabrant, Terry and John Lee, Carlos and Jean Boothby, Sandy and Mike Kahl, and Tony Boothby and Chris Best; grandchildren Susan and Jacob McLeod, Stephanie, Rebecca, Matthew, Damon, Helen, Jennifer, Benjamin, Charlie, Mikey and James; and great-grandchildren Trinity, Meadow, Izabelle, Sylvia and Dorothy. Born in Brooklyn, Charles attended Brooklyn Prep, graduated from Holy Cross and served in the United States Air Force. He then lived in Puerto Rico where he married Sylvia Carrion and they had their seven children. Charles came to Sarasota in 1971. He opened Sarasota's first Grand Union Supermarket at Midtown Plaza. Ahead of its time, the store featured specialty meat, deli, bakery and flower departments now commonplace in grocery stores. He later became president of Boomhower Realty. For over 10 years, he led the company as it expanded from Bradenton to Englewood. During this time, Charles was also a leader in Sarasota's Cub Scout and Boy Scout programs. In 1986, again ahead of his time, he opened the first Re/Max Realty in Florida's Gulf Coast. He retired in 1988 to devote his life to his growing family. Charles was a pillar of strength to his family, friends and community. His legacy lives on. A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 9:30am Thursday, May 8 at St. Thomas More Catholic Church. A celebration of life will follow at the church hall. In lieu of flowers,

Charles requested memorial donations to The Youth Fund at St. Jude Catholic Church, 3930 17th Street, Sarasota, FL 34235. A donation basket will be available at the service.

# Tribute Wall



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