



Sylvin Leodes Watson

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IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE OF Sylvin “Syl” Leodes Watson September 2, 1950 – March 30, 2026

“Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.”

Psalm 23:6

Sylvin Leodes Watson was the second of nine siblings born to the union of Sylvin Kirt and Odessa Watson. He confessed Christ as his LORD and Savior at age 17 and was baptized at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Wichita, KS. After moving to Los Angeles and then to San Diego, Sylvin converted to the Catholic faith. While a parishioner at St. Didacus Catholic Church he faithfully served in the Lecter, Sacristan and Eucharistic ministries for the past 24 years of his life.

Sylvin was affectionately known by his family as “Leodes” and “Syl” by his friends. He attended Wichita Heights High School where he lettered in track and played the trombone in the marching, school and pit orchestra bands. During the summer months of high school he participated in the Drum and Bugle Corps. He was also a Boy Scout and after graduation, Sylvin continued to perform in a popular local band. He worked for the Wichita aircraft industry for seven years prior to eventually settling in San Diego. As a mid-level supervisor, he was able to use his exceptional communications, leadership and management skills to excel within the Kaiser Permanente organization until his retirement in 2020.

Sylvin enjoyed telling jokes and mastered the art at a very young age. He was skilled at holding an unsuspecting audience captive until he delivered the punchline. He loved people and they loved him, often referring to him as “a good guy”. He had a flair for fashion as early as elementary



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school, and had an extraordinary gift for building detailed model airplanes growing up. His artistic endeavors also included barbering and cooking.


Sylvin is preceded in death by his parents Sylvin K. Watson and Odessa Watson-Blackwell; sister, Merylon J. Holt; and brothers, Wesley E., Donald L. and Leonard P. Watson.


He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Pat Watson of San Diego, CA; son, Zachrey B. (Linda) Watson and grandchildren, Kayla Z. Watson and Zachrey B. Watson II all of Kalamazoo, MI; siblings, Syrester A. (Jerry) Shanklin and Sherrie L. Scott of Wichita, KS; Gloria J. Watson of Kansas City, KS; and Kimberly K. (Paul) Gremillion of Raleigh, NC; along with a host of nieces, nephews, friends and family, His good name will remain in everlasting remembrance. IN
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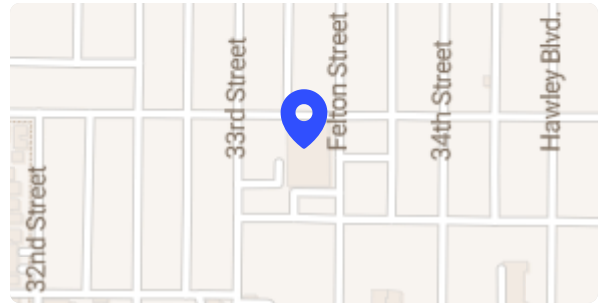


Church Service

 **Monday**, April 13, 2026

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM PT


 **Saint Didacus Catholic Church**
4772 Felton Street, San Diego CA 92116

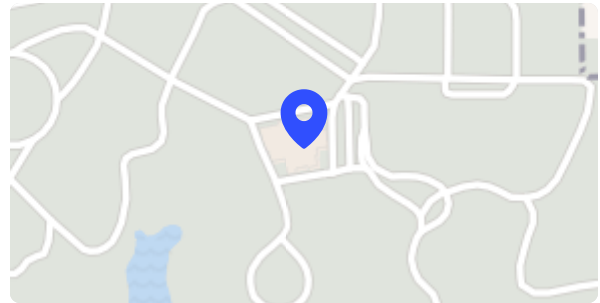


Committal Service

 **Monday**, April 13, 2026

 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM PT

 **Greenwood Memorial Park**
4300 Imperial Avenue, San Diego CA 92113





Memories only last if you share them

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



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