



Arthur August Priesmeyer

July 22, 1926 - March 30, 2024

Arthur August Priesmeyer, 97, passed away peacefully at his home on March 30, 2024, just 48 days after his wife Gracie, gained her angel wings. He was born July 22, 1926, in El Campo to the late Arthur Eugene and Ella Vackar Priesmeyer. He grew up in El Campo and attended school there until he enlisted in the military at the age of 17. He served as a Corporal in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II from June 1944 to October 1946, where he was an Aerial Engineer and worked on B-25 aircrafts. His love for music and playing musical instruments started early, as he played the saxophone in the Air Force band. After his discharge in 1946, he came back to El Campo to farm rice with his father and brother, Clarence. Shortly after coming back home, he met and fell in love with Gracie Naiser. (I'm sure we all know the story of how these two met, as he loved to share it). They were married on June 11, 1951, back when weddings started in the morning and lasted to late night. Together they raised five children and were blessed to celebrate 72 years of marriage together.

He shared a love of rice farming and raising cattle with his three sons. If you let him, he would work every day of the week, but always had time for his nap after lunch and time for God on Sundays. If he wasn't on the farm, you would find him working on antique tractors, listening to polka music, dancing, leading grand marches with Gracie, playing the accordion, hunting, telling stories (and boy did he have a lot), and of course, drinking a cold one. Apart from his love

for his children, he had a special place in his heart for his grandchildren and great-grandchildren and always enjoyed when they would come to see him.

Arthur was active in various organizations including the El Campo Horseman's Riding Club, Knights of Columbus, and American Legion Post 251. He was a board member of Rice Farmers Coop, Farmers Coop of El Campo (United Ag.), Wharton County Soil and Water Conservation, Wharton County Ground Water and was a County and State officer for the Texas Farmers Union in support of saving the family farm.

He is survived by his children, A.J. Priesmeyer (Susie) of El Campo, Annette Cornett (Jack) of Blessing, Terry Priesmeyer (Cynthia) of El Campo, Sharon Hicks (Brian) of Ganado, and Lester Priesmeyer (Deidra Becker) of El Campo. Grandchildren; Krystal Brod (Josh), Kyndal Krenek (Travis), Ty Priesmeyer (Karissa), Anisa Cornett, Anna Brown (Derek), Grant Cornett (Anna Marie), Ross Priesmeyer (Lindsey), Chelsey Priesmeyer, B.J. Hicks (Kim), Dustin Hicks (Katy), Kandace Friedrichs (Brent), Colton Priesmeyer, and 21 great-grandchildren. Sister-in-laws; Bettie Konvicka, Anita Janicek, Alice Mae Blaha and Diana Orsak. Brother-in-laws; Jimmy Naiser (Annette) and Rudy Naiser (Dorothy).

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Gracie; brother, Clarence Priesmeyer; sister, Ruby Jean Rod and husband, Andrew, and grandson, Wyatt Cornett.

Visitation will be Thursday April 4, 2024 at St Philips Catholic Church in El Campo from 4 - 7pm with a Rosary to be recited at 7pm.

Funeral Mass will be Friday, April 5, 2024, 10:30am at St Philip Catholic Church in El Campo. Burial to immediately follow at Holy Cross Memorial Park.

Pallbearers are Grandsons, B.J. Hicks, Dustin Hicks, Ross Priesmeyer, Ty Priesmeyer, Colton Priesmeyer, Josh Brod, Travis Krenek, and Brent Friedrichs. Honorary pallbearers are Evan Hicks, Wayne Priesmeyer and Glenn Rod.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: St. Philips Catholic Church, St. Philips School Endowment Fund or Houston Hospice-El Campo.

A Special Than You to Father Dalton; Caregivers; Lucy Rodriguez, Patty Munoz, Betty Cortez, Veva Hernandez, Cindy Koehn, Mark Merta and Houston Hospice-El Campo.

Arrangements are under the direction of Triska Funeral Home in El Campo

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Memorial Park

US Hwy 59 and Mechanic St.
El Campo, TX 77437

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Philip Catholic Church
304 W. Church Street
El Campo, TX 77437
<http://stphilipapostle.org/>

Rosary

APR 4. 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Philip Catholic Church
304 W. Church Street
El Campo, TX 77437
<http://stphilipapostle.org/>

Funeral Mass

APR 5. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Philip Catholic Church
304 W. Church Street
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Tribute Wall

CF

“ *The Preismeyers were family & Church friends of our family (Julius Chovanec), all of us growing up in EC. Such a lovely, kind person. It was always a treat to see them in town. May he & his bride rest in peace & enjoy their new life with our Lord. My Deep Sympathy, Cynthia (Chovanec) Fontana*

Cindy Fontana - August 22, 2024 at 10:19 PM

MT

“ *My condolences are sent to the entire Priesmeyer family on the loss of Arthur August Priesmeyer. May he rest in peace and let perpetual light shine upon him.*



Mary Lou Krenek, Egypt, Texas - April 08, 2024 at 06:22 PM

CK

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about Mr. Priesmeyer! God rest his soul. My thoughts and prayers are for him and Mrs. Priesmeyer and all the family. Sincerely, Charles Kutach.*

Charles Kutach - April 05, 2024 at 01:02 PM

ML

“ *Mr & Mrs Mike Labay purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Arthur August Priesmeyer.*



Mr & Mrs Mike Labay - April 04, 2024 at 07:03 PM

BB

“ *Brad and Dianna Burton purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Arthur August Priesmeyer.*



Brad and Dianna Burton - April 04, 2024 at 12:29 PM

VQ

“ *Vicky Quijas lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Vicky Quijas - April 04, 2024 at 08:18 AM

VQ

“ *So sorry for your loss! Please know your family are in my thoughts & prayers! RIP Arthur! He will be dearly missed by everyone who knew & loved him! Vicky Blair Ustynik Quijas*



Vicky Quijas - April 04, 2024 at 08:17 AM

JB

“ *Janice Berkovsky lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Janice Berkovsky - April 04, 2024 at 08:02 AM

CM

“ *My deepest sympathy to your family. Your family will be in my prayers.*

Carol Marek

Carol Marek - April 04, 2024 at 02:30 AM

SB

“ *Praying for your family.* 🙏🙏

Gene and Sharon Bena



Sharon Bena - April 03, 2024 at 10:45 PM

DC

“ *Diane Bures Clark lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Diane Bures Clark - April 03, 2024 at 04:55 PM

MW

“ *Mike Williams purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Arthur August Priesmeyer.*



Mike Williams - April 03, 2024 at 04:36 PM

BB

“ Brad, Laura and Ava Burton purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Arthur August Priesmeyer.



Brad, Laura and Ava Burton - April 03, 2024 at 04:21 PM

BB

“ Brad, Laura and Ava Burton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Arthur August Priesmeyer.

Brad, Laura and Ava Burton - April 03, 2024 at 04:21 PM

GV

“ Gary Voelkel lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer



Gary Voelkel - April 03, 2024 at 01:09 PM



“ Reflections of Glory Wreath was purchased for the family of Arthur August Priesmeyer.



April 03, 2024 at 12:10 PM

LM

“ *Lora and Glenn Mount*



lora mount - April 03, 2024 at 11:04 AM

SD

“ *Sandra Hensley Diehl lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Sandra Hensley Diehl - April 03, 2024 at 10:54 AM

JF

“ *Julie Strnadel & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Julie Strnadel & Family - April 03, 2024 at 08:32 AM

BW

“ *Our condolences and expression of sympathy go out to the Family. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Bernice & Larry Wagner, Jr.*

Bernice Wagner - April 03, 2024 at 07:57 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Arthur August Priesmeyer.*



April 03, 2024 at 01:34 AM



“ *Staci Gold and the Ralph Gold Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Arthur August Priesmeyer.*

Staci Gold and the Ralph Gold Family - April 03, 2024 at 01:34 AM



“ *Patricia DYBALA lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Patricia DYBALA - April 03, 2024 at 12:28 AM



“ *Diane Dluhos lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Diane Dluhos - April 02, 2024 at 10:38 PM

SP

“ Scott & Ernestine Poth purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Arthur August Priesmeyer.



Scott & Ernestine Poth - April 02, 2024 at 09:51 PM

ER

“ I Will Always Remember How He Showed His Love For his Beloved Wife Gracie! They Were What Every Marriage Wants To Be! When They Danced Their Feet Never Touched The Floor! They Were The Cutest Couple Ever!!!! Now They Are Together Forever!!! Prayers For Their Family!!!!

Evelyn Reed - April 02, 2024 at 07:53 PM

KK

“ Kathy Rod Koudela lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer



Kathy Rod Koudela - April 02, 2024 at 07:37 PM

RN

“ Rudy & Dorothy Naiser lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer



Rudy & Dorothy Naiser - April 02, 2024 at 05:52 PM

SS

“ *Sandra Stary lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Sandra Stary - April 02, 2024 at 05:25 PM

DS

“ *David & Charlene Linhart Smith lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



David & Charlene Linhart Smith - April 02, 2024 at 05:19 PM

JS

“ *Judy/Allen Sefcik lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Judy/Allen Sefcik - April 02, 2024 at 05:08 PM

JS

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all!

Judy/Allen Sefcik - April 02, 2024 at 05:11 PM

SC

“ *Our Condolences to the entire Priesmeyer Family*



Scott, Kendra & Kambree Charbula - April 02, 2024 at 04:48 PM

LJ

“ *Leslie Janssen lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Leslie Janssen - April 02, 2024 at 04:07 PM

MS

“ *Martin Strarup sent a virtual gift in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Martin Strarup - April 02, 2024 at 04:04 PM

VH

“ *Vickie Holub lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer*



Vickie Holub - April 02, 2024 at 03:44 PM

PM

“ Patrick Marek lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer



Patrick Marek - April 02, 2024 at 01:46 PM

KH

“ Karen & Sheldon Holub lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer



Karen & Sheldon Holub - April 02, 2024 at 12:48 PM

SP

“ Shirley Popp lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer



Shirley Popp - April 02, 2024 at 12:39 PM

DW

“ Diane Williams lit a candle in memory of Arthur August Priesmeyer



Diane Williams - April 02, 2024 at 12:09 PM