



Cecil E. Anderson

June 30, 1928 - March 15, 2026

Cecil E. Anderson, 97, from El Campo and previously Indianola Beach, Texas passed away March 15, 2026. He was born June 30, 1928, at St. Joseph Hospital, Houston, Texas, to the late Oscar and Emma (Linguist) Anderson. He graduated El Campo High School and shortly after was drafted into the U. S. Army where he served in Korea as a Jeep Driver. Cecil married Jean Marek of Pierce, Texas on June 3, 1956, and started a family raising three daughters. After his service he returned to his hometown of El Campo where he started El Campo's first drive-in grocery stores along with his wife Jean Anderson. Together they operated Cecil's Drive-In #1 and Cecil's Drive-In #2. The Drive-In stores were later sold to the Ritz family. In the early 1960s Cecil joined Rice-Belt Warehouse as an assistant manager and had a long career in the rice industry until the mid-1980s when he retired and moved to Indianola Beach. As a second career, Cecil started Hook, Line and Cecil Fishing Guide Service and met many new beach friends doing what he loved. He was an avid hunter and fisherman his entire life. Several years later he completely retired at the beach where he became known as the Reverend, the Mayor and the Beach Maintenance Foreman... he was a man who wore many hats and was blessed to have so many friends from Magnolia Beach, Indianola Beach and El Campo. In his late 90s he and his wife moved back to his hometown of El Campo to be closer to family.

Cecil was a member of the First Lutheran Church in El Campo, he was

involved in El Campo Rotary years ago, Elks Lodge BPOE 1749 where he was known as Seaweed and was active in the kitchen cooking up some awesome meals, a long-time current member of the El Campo American Legion Post 251 and member of the El Campo Horseman Riding Club where his duties included cooking and pulling the beer wagon along the trail rides so his girls could ride horses! Cecil also taught his girls to hunt, fish and most importantly to back a boat. He also passed his maintenance skills onto his girls. He treasured his girls and was determined to teach them independence, strength and prepare them for their adult lives.

Cecil was preceded in death by Jean (Marek) Anderson, his wife of 66 years; daughter Cindy Lyn (Anderson) Howell; parents Oscar and Emma Anderson, brothers Keith (Giesel) Anderson; and Karl Anderson.

He is survived by his daughters Debbie Moss (David) of Pearland; Donna Mikeska (Gerry) of El Campo; Rosilda Eglar (foreign exchange student) of Brazil; grandsons Grant Moss of Houston; Clay Moss of Austin; granddaughters Krista Mulkey (Justin) of Virginia; Kara Howell of Port Lavaca; great-grandchildren Rileigh and Landon Woynaroski and Waylon Mulkey of Virginia.

Visitation will be held Thursday, March 19 at 1:00 p.m. followed by a Memorial Service at 2:00 p.m. at Triska Funeral Home of El Campo, Tx with Son-In-Law David Moss of His Print Ministries officiating. A private family burial will be held later.

The family would like to especially thank the caregivers and friends at Paradigm at the Prairies, Houston Hospice team members and El Campo Memorial Hospital.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in memory of Cecil Anderson can be made to the Magnolia Beach Volunteer Fire Department. Magnolia Beach

VFD is a 501c3 non-profit, address is P. O. Box 318, Port Lavaca, Texas 77979. Donations can also be made online at <https://www.magnoliabeachvolunteerfiredepartment.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 1:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home
612 Merchant Street
El Campo, TX 77437-3440
(979) 543-3681
triskafh@sbcglobal.net

Memorial Service

MAR 19. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GM

“ *Ginger McMasters lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson*



Ginger McMasters - April 17 at 06:12 PM

LW

“ *Lisa Webb lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson*



Lisa Webb - March 24 at 06:03 PM

VQ

“ *My thoughts & prayers are with you all that God will Comfort you in your loss. God bless your family & friends. RIP Cecil 🕊️🇺🇸! He will be dearly missed by everyone who knew & loved him. Vicky Blair Ustynik Quijas*



Vicky Quijas - March 20 at 03:54 PM

VQ

“ *Vicky Quijas lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson*



Vicky Quijas - March 20 at 03:41 PM

MK

“ *My condolences to the family especially our Senior TREK leader Donna Mikeska. Donna always shared wonderful stories of him at our gatherings. May he rest in peace and let perpetual light shine on him.*



Mary Lou Krenek - March 20 at 02:29 PM

JF

“ *Cecil and Jeannie were friends of mine from Indianola. They were always hospitable and pleasant to be around. My dad was friends with them also I know he is at peace now. I will never forget my precious friends from the coast.*

JAY FLEMING - March 19 at 08:24 AM

MS

“ *Martin Strarup lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson*



Martin Strarup - March 18 at 07:12 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Cecil E. Anderson.*



March 18 at 03:52 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Cecil E. Anderson.

March 18 at 03:52 PM



“ KarenSheldon Holub lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson



KarenSheldon Holub - March 18 at 11:50 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Cecil E. Anderson.



March 17 at 04:19 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss.



Janice Berkovsky - March 17 at 02:31 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Cecil E. Anderson.*



March 17 at 01:01 PM



“ *Dear Debbie and Donna and all the family, you have my heartfelt sympathy and I am so sorry for your loss. Our families have a friendship that spans many decades and we have made many wonderful memories together. Cecil was a vivid character in those memories, as was Jeanie. I will cherish those fond memories and pray the Lord will grant you His loving comfort in the days to come. Rest in peace, Seaweed.*



Sandra Cranek - March 17 at 12:50 PM



“ *Sending our prayers and condolences to the family. May he rest in peace along side sweet Mrs. Jeanie.*
There are many fond memories of being together with Jeanie and Cecil through the years. Always enjoyed his stories, and there were always lots of them !
Lora Shult Mount
Glenn Mount



lora mount - March 17 at 12:13 PM

LS

“ *Leslie Schroder lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson*



Leslie Schroder - March 17 at 10:01 AM

DA

“ *Doris Adamcik lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson*



Doris Adamcik - March 17 at 05:53 AM

FT

“ *Donna and Gerry and all families, Keeping you in our prayers. Bubba and Frances Toman*



Frances and Bubba Toman - March 16 at 04:02 PM

EE

“ *Eric O ENGLUND lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson*



Eric O ENGLUND - March 16 at 01:13 PM

CR

“ *Cindy Riha lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson*



Cindy Riha - March 16 at 11:01 AM

KH

“ *KarenSheldon Holub lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson*



KarenSheldon Holub - March 16 at 10:57 AM

DM

“ 🙏🏻🙏🏻❤️☐ *May his soul rest in peace and the angels guide him to paradise!*❤️☐ 🙏🏻🙏🏻

daniel & Roxane Marek - March 16 at 10:10 AM

DS

“ *David & Charlene Linhart Smith lit a candle in memory of Cecil E. Anderson*



David & Charlene Linhart Smith - March 16 at 09:41 AM

IR

“ *Sending prayers and condolences to the family. May Cecil rest in peace.* ”

Irma Rocha - March 16 at 09:23 AM