



## Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig

June 8, 1938 - November 12, 2024

Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig, aged 86, passed away peacefully at home on November 12, 2024. She was born on June 8, 1938, in Hallettsville, Texas to Henry F. and Anne E. Tlucek. Cynthia obtained a music degree from the University of Texas at Austin.

On November 25, 1965 Cynthia married Bill on Thanksgiving day and they started a family in El Campo, Tx. Throughout those years Cynthia taught music to hundreds of students, played countless weddings, funerals and holiday concerts and was known for her no nonsense approach to teaching the piano. That same no nonsense attitude could be found in her kitchen as she could cook anything and everything often at double the quantity needed for the group. Many of those meals were eaten well past dark as she made sure no long day in the field farming ended on an empty stomach.

Cynthia was co-director of the adult choir and was selected to participate as one of the musicians for the Diocese of Victoria when Pope John Paul II visited in 1987. While working as the music teacher at St. Philip's School, she began collaborating with Father Jo Kobel to improve the flow of the liturgy during the various church seasons. She developed and implemented orders of service for the liturgy, primarily for Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. To further enhance her knowledge and deepen her understanding of the liturgy, she earned a master's degree in Liturgy and Scripture from St. John's

University in Collegeville, Minnesota in 1995. The changes she made to the liturgy are still widely used within the church today.

Cynthia's passion for music was contagious and enjoyed by all of those fortunate enough to hear her play. She loved every holiday. Christmas was her favorite and her fondest memories were of decorating her home, playing piano and singing with family. Cynthia's perfect evening would include the entire family enjoying a home cooked meal, George Strait playing on the radio and, if the weather cooperated, a roaring fire in the fireplace.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Henry F. and Anne E. Tlucek; her sister, Hyancinthe Tlucek; and her brother, Tim Tlucek. Cynthia is survived by her husband of 58 years, William "Bill" Goerig; four children; 11 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild:

- Son Chris (Jackie) Goerig of Midlothian, their children David (Grace), Will (Leah), Julia, and Olivia (Noah);
- Son Greg (Brittany) Goerig of Midlothian, their children Kaylee (Caleb), grandchild Carter, Landen (Macey), and Maycee;
- Son Jeff (Becky) Goerig of Van Buren, AR, their children Sophie and Brady;
- Daughter Amanda (Mark) of Klein, TX, their children Lorelei and Carsten.

She is also survived by her sister, Melicent Bryarly of Frisco, TX, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cynthia's family would like to thank the caregivers from Angels Healthcare, as well as Lillian Green, for their assistance.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Friday, November 15 at Triska

Funeral Home. A CDA Rosary will be recited at 2:30 p.m. on Friday at St. Philip Catholic Church. The Funeral Mass will follow at 3 p.m. with interment following at Holy Cross Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made in Cynthia's name to St. Philip's Music Ministry, 304 W Church St, El Campo, TX 77437.

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Cross Memorial Park

1617 South Mechanic Street  
El Campo, TX 77437  
(979) 543-3770

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **15**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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

## Catholic Daughters Rosary

NOV **15**. 2:30 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Mass

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NOV **15**. 3:00 PM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

SC

“ Dear Goerig family, I offer my heartfelt sympathy with the loss of your beloved Cynthia. She was my piano teacher and then became my dear friend. I admired her from the first time I sat on the bench with her at her grand piano. She was so very talented and an encouraging teacher and my admiration for her grew with the years. I have so many happy memories of her, as I know you do, and I hope you find comfort in your cherished memories together. My prayer for you is that the Lord will grant you His loving comfort and wrap Cynthia in His eternal embrace. May she rest in peace. Bless you.



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**Sandra Cranek** - December 03, 2024 at 08:03 AM

LM

“ Amanda, I am so sorry about the death of your mother. My cousin notified me. Blessings for you and your family.  
Lee McCuiston

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**Lee McCuiston** - December 01, 2024 at 08:33 PM

MN

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Cynthia's passing. She always had a smile and could make me laugh. She let me turn the pages for her when she played the piano at St. Philip's. She always was encouraging and kind and will be very much missed. Sending love & hugs to the Goerig family in this difficult time.



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**Melissa Noska-Martinez** - November 25, 2024 at 11:06 AM

JZ

“ JoAnn Zernicek lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig



JoAnn Zernicek - November 18, 2024 at 07:10 AM

AB

“ Audrie Bowers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.

Audrie Bowers - November 16, 2024 at 10:15 AM

CR

“ Bill, I'm so sorry for your (our) loss of Cynthia. We will all miss her. I'll never forget her telling me that I had a good ear for music when she heard me playing 'the entertainer' and the 'Pachabel Cannon in D' in the music room at the school. It was quite the compliment, as it came from her! As I had never taken a music or piano class. She was a fine lady.

Conrad Rod - November 16, 2024 at 09:41 AM



“ Susan Hancock Kaspar lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig



Susan Hancock Kaspar - November 15, 2024 at 08:25 PM

DM

“ 🙏❤️☐ *May she rest in peace & the angels guide her to paradise!* ❤️☐ 🙏



**Daniel Marek** - November 15, 2024 at 04:50 PM

MM

“ *Melissa Mayo*



**Melissa Mayo** - November 15, 2024 at 03:30 PM

MM

*Lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann Tlucek Goerig.*

**Melissa Mayo** - November 15, 2024 at 03:40 PM

JF

“ *Janet Freeman lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig*



**Janet Freeman** - November 15, 2024 at 03:04 PM

DB

“ I'm not so sure how well my memory serves me, as I was small when we moved from El Campo. I grew up in the choir loft, as my mother LaVerne Wendel, used to play for the church for around 35 years. When mom was forced to give up playing for the church due to the family moving, she was delighted to pass the torch to this incredible lady by the sounds of everything I heard through the years. May she rest in peace.

Debbie (Wendel) Britt - November 15, 2024 at 02:33 PM

SV

“ Cynthia was a dedicated minister to the church and school bringing beauty in liturgies. Her love of music touched many lives. She fills heaven now with her joyful music. My deepest condolences to the family and am united in prayer with you. Sister Marjorie Vincik

Sister Marjorie Vincik - November 15, 2024 at 11:26 AM

JB

“ Dear Goerig Family- I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Cynthia. She was a truly wonderful woman -and very inspiring. I will always remember her welcoming spirit and true enthusiasm for music and dancing. I bet she is rejoicing and polka dancing in heaven!  
Jeralyn

Jeralyn Barta - November 15, 2024 at 11:00 AM

SS

“ Sandra Stary lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tluczek) Goerig



Sandra Stary - November 15, 2024 at 10:26 AM

IR

*I am so sorry to hear about the passing of my dear friend Cynthia Goerig. She was a wonderful person and very talented. We enjoyed all the years that she dedicated herself to play the piano at St. Philip Catholic Church. May she rest in God's eternal peace and my condolences to Bill and the family. Cynthia will definitely be missed.*  
*Irma Rocha*

**Irma Rocha** - November 18, 2024 at 09:33 AM

LS

“ Liz Staff lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig



**Liz Staff** - November 15, 2024 at 09:37 AM

GD

“ Our prayers and thoughts are with the family Gilbert and Maria Delgado



**Gilbert Delgado** - November 14, 2024 at 11:25 PM

DB

“ Diane Busby lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig



**Diane Busby** - November 14, 2024 at 10:15 PM

CJ

“ Coach York, Purser, Diane and Johnna purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.



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**Coach York, Purser, Diane and Johnna** - November 14, 2024  
at 04:00 PM

CJ

“ Coach York, Purser, Diane and Johnna planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.

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**Coach York, Purser, Diane and Johnna** - November 14, 2024 at 04:00 PM

JF

“ Julie Strnadel & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig



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**Julie Strnadel & Family** - November 14, 2024 at 01:39 PM

LS

“ Love, Chris & Valorie Sanders planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.

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**Love, Chris & Valorie Sanders** - November 14, 2024 at 10:55 AM

LS

“ Love, Chris & Valorie Sanders purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.



Love, Chris & Valorie Sanders - November 14, 2024 at 10:55 AM

SD

“ SBU SEED DEPARTMENT planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.

SBU SEED DEPARTMENT - November 14, 2024 at 10:12 AM

SD

“ SBU SEED DEPARTMENT purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.



SBU SEED DEPARTMENT - November 14, 2024 at 10:12 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.



November 14, 2024 at 10:01 AM

SD

“ Susan Dettling lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig



Susan Dettling - November 14, 2024 at 09:59 AM

GD

“ Mrs. Goerig was the first person to nurture the beauty of music from my talents. She was the first teacher that started my lifelong passion for music from piano, band, and church service. I hope her legacy of music will live on and be heard in every person she taught.



Grace Delgado - November 14, 2024 at 09:21 AM

BW

“ Cynthia was a very nice lady and she played at our wedding. Cynthia will be greatly missed by all. Our condolences go out to the Goerig Family. God Bless.  
Bernice & Larry Wagner, Jr.

Bernice Wagner - November 14, 2024 at 07:36 AM

JM

“ John, Jean & Jackson Merck planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.

John, Jean & Jackson Merck - November 14, 2024 at 07:32 AM

JM

“ John, Jean & Jackson Merck purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Cynthia Ann (Tluczek) Goerig.



John, Jean & Jackson Merck - November 14, 2024 at 07:32 AM

MF

“ Michael & Jackie Wat & Family lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tluczek) Goerig



Michael & Jackie Wat & family - November 13, 2024 at 10:46 PM

JK

“ Janice Korenek lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tluczek) Goerig



Janice Korenek - November 13, 2024 at 10:35 PM

JK

Such a beautiful sweet lady, with a contagious smile! Thank you for teaching my kids at SPS so many years ago to sing! 🎵 Sending my prayers to all of you...

Janice Korenek - November 13, 2024 at 10:38 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.

November 13, 2024 at 10:08 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig.



November 13, 2024 at 10:08 PM



“ Linda Kram lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig



Linda Kram - November 13, 2024 at 09:46 PM



“ Clarence & Judy Rohan lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig



Clarence & Judy Rohan - November 13, 2024 at 09:04 PM

CB

“ *Charlene Borak lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tluczek) Goerig*



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**Charlene Borak** - November 13, 2024 at 08:45 PM

RJ

“ *Ray And Linda Jaksch lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tluczek) Goerig*



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**Ray and Linda Jaksch** - November 13, 2024 at 08:27 PM

KJ

“ *Kimberly Johnson lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann (Tluczek) Goerig*



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**kimberly johnson** - November 13, 2024 at 08:12 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Cynthia Ann (Tluczek) Goerig.*



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November 13, 2024 at 07:52 PM

SS

“ *Sandra Stary lit a candle in memory of  
Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig*



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**Sandra Stary** - November 13, 2024 at 07:46 PM

DS

“ *David & Charlene Linhart Smith lit a candle in  
memory of Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig*



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**David & Charlene Linhart Smith** - November 13, 2024 at 07:39 PM

PD

“ *Patricia Dybala lit a candle in memory of  
Cynthia Ann (Tlucek) Goerig*



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**Patricia Dybala** - November 13, 2024 at 07:24 PM