



## Edmund Patrick Kruppa

March 21, 1966 - May 7, 2025

Edmund Patrick Kruppa, 59, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, May 7 after a courageous 2 year-long battle with pancreatic cancer. Edmund was known for his creativity, sharp wit, and willingness to take risks in both his personal and professional life. He believed deeply in following one's passions and wanted to inspire others to do the same.

Edmund was born at Nightingale Hospital in El Campo, Texas, to Mary Ann and Stanley Kruppa on March 21, 1966. He graduated from El Campo High School in 1984. Throughout his youth, Edmund won numerous awards in local art shows, a testament to his natural creativity and keen eye for art, color and design. Following high school, he pursued his passion by attending graphic design school in Dallas, where he earned a degree in Visual Communications with a focus in graphic design.

In 1993, Edmund began a 15-year tenure at the Victoria Advocate, where he served in a variety of roles including graphic designer, public relations specialist, marketing coordinator, and building management. In 2008, he took on a new challenge as a project manager for Clegg Industries, where he worked until 2010. That year, Edmund made the decision to return to the El Campo area to be closer to family and pursue a personal dream — opening his own business, Paint Perfection by Kruppa. He was both the proprietor and color consultant for the store. Although he retired from the store in 2015 following a car accident, Edmund remained a trusted resource for friends seeking his color expertise. Edmund also enjoyed being involved in the

communities he lived in, serving on numerous projects and boards for local organizations such as President of the Victoria Regional Museum Association. Edmund continued to apply his artistic eye throughout his life, often spending weekends exploring estate sales and taking antiquing trips to Warrenton and beyond. He had a talent for spotting unique, meaningful pieces and was eager to point out treasures others might have missed. A loyal Texas State Parks pass holder, Edmund also had a deep love for RV camping. His favorite tradition was his annual trip to Big Bend National Park, a trip he upheld for 30 years. Big Bend and additional West Texas sites like Fort Davis and Kickapoo Cavern held a special place in his heart. He especially enjoyed hiking, with the Lost Mine Trail being one of his favorite trails in the National Park. He found fulfillment in introducing his niece, nephew, and friends to his favorite places and trails. Edmund was able to make one final trip to Big Bend in January 2025.

Edmund is survived by his mother, Mary Ann Kruppa; his brothers, Mark Kruppa and wife Cindy, and Brian Kruppa and wife Sharon; his niece, Casie Kruppa; his nephew, Clint Kruppa; and numerous cousins. He was preceded in death by his father, Stanley Kruppa. Edmund deeply appreciated the many friends who showed generosity and kindness throughout his life. He was especially grateful for Cindy Garrett who offered care, support, and friendship during his battle with cancer.

Visitation will take place at Triska Funeral Home on Monday, May 12 at 5pm with rosary following at 6pm. Mass will be held at St. Phillip at 10am on Tuesday, May 13. Burial will follow at Holy Cross Memorial Park.

Serving as pallbearers will be Clint Kruppa, Michael Reck, Terry Stanphill, Glen Korenek, Robert Shafer, Joe Freeman, Will Garrett, and Johnny Reck. Honorary pallbearers include Jerry Ebensberger and Barbara Santos.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Edmund's name to St. Phillip Catholic Church, Assumption Catholic Church in Ganado, and Big Bend Conservancy.

Condolences may be shared online at [www.triskafuneralhome.com](http://www.triskafuneralhome.com)



# Cemetery Details

## Holy Cross Memorial Park

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

# Previous Events

## Family Will Receive Visitors

MAY 12. 5:00 PM (CT)

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

## Knights of Columbus Rosary

MAY 12. 6:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Mass

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MAY 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

JM

“ Before Ed left Victoria, we would have the best times together...he helped me with the family Christmas tree and it was always a blast. I will never forget the joy of our friendship, there is sadness in my heart.  
I know God holds Ed in His arms and the light of God shows in his face.  
Dear God thank you for the small amount of time that Ed and I spent together.

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**Julie mcCan** - May 13, 2025 at 07:24 PM



“ Loved our camping trips, you made them special...rest in peace  
Michael & Shelly Shelton



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**Shelly Shelton** - May 13, 2025 at 10:26 AM

LM

“ Lu Matzke lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa



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**Lu Matzke** - May 13, 2025 at 07:15 AM

JM

“ We are so sorry for your loss. May the Peace of the Lord be with the family.



John Dickerson & Diana Mathis - May 12, 2025 at 04:39 PM

CH

“ Chanda purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Edmund Patrick Kruppa.



Chanda - May 12, 2025 at 09:35 AM

FJ

“ Frank & Joann Olsovsky lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa



Frank & Joann Olsovsky - May 11, 2025 at 11:42 PM

SC

“ Mrs. Kruppa and all the family, I am so sorry for your loss and offer my heartfelt sympathy at this difficult time. I hope that cherished memories of happier times will bring you some of comfort in the days to come. I pray the Lord will wrap Edmund in His loving embrace. May perpetual light shine upon him and may he rest in peace.



Sandra Cranek - May 11, 2025 at 10:02 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Edmund Patrick Kruppa.



May 11, 2025 at 07:23 PM



“ We had so many fun times and joyous moments with Ed. He was so creative and had the best sense of humor! We will miss you dear friend. May you rest in eternal peace forever.  
Marti Boyle

**marti boyle** - May 11, 2025 at 11:12 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Edmund Patrick Kruppa.

May 11, 2025 at 11:09 AM



“ I am sad to hear this! Ed was so creative and attentive to detail at work, and also just a great guy. Rest in heaven old friend.

**Melissa G Purl** - May 11, 2025 at 10:31 AM



“ Carol Marek lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa



**Carol Marek** - May 10, 2025 at 10:00 PM

SS

“ *Suzanne Stevens lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa*



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**Suzanne Stevens** - May 10, 2025 at 01:02 PM

LG

“ *Linda Garcia lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa*



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**Linda Garcia** - May 10, 2025 at 12:02 PM

BG

“ *Butch & Gerry Graham lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa*



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**Butch & Gerry Graham** - May 10, 2025 at 07:08 AM

DN

“ *Debbie Green Nelson*



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**Debbie Nelson** - May 09, 2025 at 09:50 PM

PH

“ Patti and Mike Hessong planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edmund Patrick Kruppa.

Patti and Mike Hessong - May 09, 2025 at 07:33 PM

PH

“ Patti and Mike Hessong purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Edmund Patrick Kruppa.



Patti and Mike Hessong - May 09, 2025 at 07:33 PM

SS

“ Sandra Stary lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa



Sandra Stary - May 09, 2025 at 06:14 PM

JW

“ Jayne & Michael Walsh planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edmund Patrick Kruppa.

Jayne & Michael Walsh - May 09, 2025 at 06:07 PM

JW

“ Jayne & Michael Walsh purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Edmund Patrick Kruppa.



Jayne & Michael Walsh - May 09, 2025 at 06:07 PM

GC

“ Gay And Ricky Cerny lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa



Gay and Ricky Cerny - May 09, 2025 at 05:53 PM

PV

“ Pamela Vesely lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa



Pamela Vesely - May 09, 2025 at 05:44 PM

RJ

“ Ray And Linda Jaksch lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa



Ray and Linda Jaksch - May 09, 2025 at 04:46 PM

SK

“ *Susan Hancock Kaspar lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa*



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**Susan Hancock Kaspar** - May 09, 2025 at 04:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Edmund Patrick Kruppa.

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May 09, 2025 at 04:16 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edmund Patrick Kruppa.*



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May 09, 2025 at 04:16 PM

SC

“ *Our Condolences to the Family. Enjoyed our visits with Edmund when he would stop by when riding his bike on our camping trips to Brackenridge. RIP Edmund.*



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**Scott, Kendra & Kambree Charbula** - May 09, 2025 at 02:05 PM

CW

“ *My sincere condolences in the loss of Edmund. He was a kind and sweet young man. He used to hang out at our neighbors, Mike & Shelly Shelton. This is when I got to know him. I am truly sorry to hear that this devastating disease has taken his life. May he rest in peace and let the perpetual light shine upon him.*



Cindy Witcher - May 09, 2025 at 01:20 PM

DS

“ *David & Charlene Linhart Smith lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa*



David & Charlene Linhart Smith - May 09, 2025 at 01:16 PM

PD

“ *Patricia Dybala lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa*



Patricia Dybala - May 09, 2025 at 11:37 AM

JB

“ *Jimmy Cynthia (Foster) Barrera lit a candle in memory of Edmund Patrick Kruppa*



Jimmy Cynthia (Foster) Barrera - May 09, 2025 at 11:33 AM

MS

“ *Marti Setera lit a candle in memory of  
Edmund Patrick Kruppa*



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**Marti Setera** - May 09, 2025 at 10:51 AM