



Edwin Zapalac

December 9, 1942 - April 27, 2019

Edwin John Zapalac, 76, of New Taiton, passed away April 27, 2019. He was born on December 9, 1942 in Schulenburg to the late Selven and Clare Okhrulik Zapalac. Edwin was a U.S. Army Veteran. He was a farmer, rancher and groundskeeper for St. John Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife of 12 years, Karen Kahanek Zapalac of New Taiton; sister, Agnes Berckenhoff of St. John; brothers, Julius Zapalac and wife Edith of Muldoon, Herman Zapalac and wife Irene of Marlin, Henry Zapalac and wife Betty of Schulenburg and Mike Zapalac and wife Jennifer of Schulenburg; brothers-in-law, Clarence Kahanek and wife Pam of Spring and Glenn "Chopper" Kahanek of New Taiton; daughters, Joann Schimcek and husband Ronnie of Weimar and Melinda Castilleja and husband Vincent of Pflugerville; three granddaughters; one grandson and numerous nieces and nephews.

Edwin was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Martha Zapalac; brother-in-law, Albert Berckenhoff; infant niece, Jean Zapalac; father and mother-in-law, Alvin and Joyce Kahanek.

Visitation will be from 2-4 p.m. Wednesday, May 1 at Triska Funeral Home and from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at St. John Catholic Church in New Taiton with a Schulenburg Knights of Columbus Rosary recited at 6:30 p.m. Funeral Mass begins 10 a.m. Thursday, May 2 at St. John Catholic Church with Rev. Gabriel

Oduro Tawiah officiating. Burial with military honors under the auspices of the American Legion Post 251 will follow at St. John Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Dakota Zapalac, Kaylie Zapalac, Paul Zapalac, Charles Zapalac, David Berckenhoff and Ronald Johnston. Honorary pallbearers will be his nieces and nephews, Dr. Marc Fitzpatrick, Dr. Mike Fitzpatrick, David Fucik, Kenny Mrnustik, Mark Supak and Derek Treybig.

Memorial donations in memory of Edwin may be made to St. John Catholic Church.

Triska Funeral Home, El Campo, 979-543-3681

Cemetery Details

St. John Catholic Cemetery

1843 CR 469
El Campo, TX 77437

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 1. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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

Rosary

MAY 1. 6:30 PM (CT)

St. John's Catholic Church
1843 Co Rd 469
El Campo, TX 77437
(979) 543-6985

Funeral Mass

MAY 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John's Catholic Church
1843 Co Rd 469
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Tribute Wall

KL

“ You have my deepest sympathy. I was just told. I'm so sorry for your loss. Prayers being sent.



Kelley Langhamer - May 20, 2019 at 10:46 PM

JR

“ Judy Rohan lit a candle in memory of Edwin Zapalac



Judy Rohan - May 01, 2019 at 10:35 PM

SB

“ Susan Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Edwin Zapalac



Susan Brown - May 01, 2019 at 10:28 AM

CT

“ so sorry and shocked to hear of the passing of mr. zapalac. my wife and I just met Karen and Edwin recently when they helped us get ready for a meeting at the church fellowship hall. he and she were so kind and helpful to us. our prayers and thoughts are with the family

reene and craig terrell

craig terrell - May 01, 2019 at 09:53 AM

EC

“ Elaine Cook lit a candle in memory of Edwin Zapalac



Elaine Cook - May 01, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Edwin Zapalac.



April 30, 2019 at 10:20 AM

PV

“ Pam Vesely lit a candle in memory of Edwin Zapalac



Pam Vesely - April 29, 2019 at 11:59 PM

DO

Karen, we are deeply sorry for the loss of your husband Edwin, our hearts are hurting for you and the families, may he rest at peace, God Bless, Don & Gladys Orsak

Don & Gladys Orsak - April 30, 2019 at 09:28 AM

LU

“ *Lynell Ustynik lit a candle in memory of Edwin Zapalac*



Lynell Ustynik - April 29, 2019 at 08:19 PM

CS

“ *He was one of the nicest men I have ever met. Always a smile on his face and he so much enjoyed the polka music. Prayers going to Karen and all the family.*

Christina & Darrell Smith - April 29, 2019 at 04:37 PM

SS

“ *Ed was a very kind and outgoing person, He truly will be missed, Our prayers and deepest condolences to Karen and all of the family*

Sherry Salinas - April 29, 2019 at 03:43 PM



“ *I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket was purchased for the family of Edwin Zapalac.*



April 29, 2019 at 02:42 PM

SP

“ *Ed was had the sweetest kindest soul ever. We will all miss him and his contagious smile. Fly high our friend. Karen, you picked a good one! Hold on to all of your memories.*

*Love,
Scooter and Sherry Pietsch*

Sherry Pietsch - April 29, 2019 at 01:03 PM