



Elaine Marie Kocian Phillips

September 2, 1946 - May 24, 2026

Elaine Marie Kocian Phillips, age 79, of Houston, Texas passed away in Houston on May 24, 2026. She was born on September 2, 1946 in Hallettsville, Texas to Frank E. and Judith Hrcir Kocian.

Elaine is survived by her cousins: John and Cathy Hrcir of El Campo, Texas; Robert Hrcir of El Campo, Texas; Ed Hrcir of Hallettsville, Texas; James Hrcir of Wharton, Texas; Melicent Bryarly of Frisco, Texas; the Rev. George Olsovsky of Houston, Texas; and Steven Strauss of Fulscher, Texas.

Elaine was preceded in death by her parents.

Special thanks to Christy Novak of Sugarland, Texas, and Craig and Ann Richard of Missouri City, Texas, who took great care of Elaine over the last several years.

Elaine was a graduate of The University of Houston and was a teacher in the Spring Branch School District, Houston, Texas for several years. She was district manager of White Hall Laboratory Company until she retired.

Elaine loved to sing and was a member of Sweet Adelines, an international women's a cappella organization dedicated to singing four-part barbershop harmony. Her Houston group performed all over the Houston area and

competed and won several competitions in the continental United States and Hawaii.

A Requiem Mass will be held at St. Phillip's Catholic Church, 304 W. Church Street, El Campo, Texas on Friday, May 29, 2026 at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Dalton R. Ervin presiding. It will be preceded by a visitation at 10 a.m. and a rosary at 10:30 a.m. Interment will be at Holy Cross Memorial Park, 4509 State Hwy. 71, El Campo, Texas.

Pallbearers are Duane Hrcir, Jay Hrcir, Curtis Hrcir, Russell Hrcir, Dwayne Novak and Craig Richard.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Parkinson Disease Association, P.O. Box 61420, Staten Island, NY 10306.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Memorial Park

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 29. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

Rosary

MAY 29. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall

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“ Condolences to those surviving cousins listed, and also to the many, many surviving Kocian cousins who loved Elaine also. So many fond memories of happy times with Elaine. May she rest in peace.



Wayne and Barbara Kocian Hanna

Barbara Kocian Hanna - May 31 at 11:34 PM

DM

“ RIP cousin. I know you are with your parents Uncle Frank and Aunt Judith now... Debbie Kocian Masteller

Debbie Masteller - May 30 at 11:06 AM

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“ Joel N. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elaine Marie Kocian Phillips.

Joel N. - May 25 at 06:51 PM