



## Gary Kana

December 24, 1956 - September 28, 2019

Gary Wayne Kana went to be with the Lord on Saturday, September 28, 2019 after a courageous battle with cancer. Gary was born to the late Steve and Rosa Mae Kana on December 24, 1956. He was the youngest of four children.

He graduated from El Campo High School in 1975 and worked for Transco/Williams for over 25 years. He retired in 2006. Gary married the love of his life, Christine Koenig, on April 23, 1999. He loved spending time with his boys, Coby and Dustin, fishing, hunting, fixing things, and tinkering in the barn. He was "Papa Bear" to 3 very lucky kids, Dane, Roan, and Lenora. His main priority was spoiling them rotten, and he accomplished that task without question. He was a regular at Ritz #1, and he cherished the friendships he built sitting around that checkout counter.

Gary is survived by his wife, Christine, sons Coby Kana and wife Heather, Dustin Kana and wife Holly, stepson Blaze Kopecky, grandchildren, Dane, Roan, and Lenora, brother James Kana and wife Sherry, sister Debbie Lewis, mother-in-law Alice Koenig, numerous brothers and sisters-in-law and nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, sister Nancy Dunlap, and father-in-law Frank Koenig.

Pallbearers will be Coby Kana, Dustin Kana, Blaze Kopecky, Shannon Ritz, August Sohrt, Charles Schmidt, and Dane Kana. Honorary pallbearers include Mark Collins, Mark Kubala, Chad Morton, Daniel Juranek, Emil Stepan, Bobby Stepan, W.E. Stepan, Jimmy Roehl, Walter Lilie, and Wayne Zabodyn.

The family will receive visitors on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 starting at 3 p.m. at Triska Funeral Home. A Rosary will follow at 7 p.m. Funeral service will be held at St. Philip Catholic Church in El Campo on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 10 a.m. Entombment will follow at Holy Cross Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Philip Catholic School, St. Philip Catholic Church, or the Holy Cross Memorial Park Fund.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Cross Memorial Park

US Hwy 59 and Mechanic St.  
El Campo, TX 77437

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 1. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Rosary

OCT 1. 7:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home  
612 Merchant Street  
El Campo, TX 77437-3440  
(979) 543-3681  
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## Funeral Mass

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OCT 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Gary Kana.*



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October 01, 2019 at 11:25 PM



“ *So sorry Chris. You and the family are in our thoughts and prayers.*



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**Pam Zalman, Fontenot** - October 01, 2019 at 08:54 PM



“ *Chris  
Randy and I are so sorry to hear of your loss.  
You will be in our prayers.  
Vicki Hildebrand*



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**Vicki Hildebrand** - October 01, 2019 at 04:26 PM



“ *On behalf of the El Campo Class of 1975, we wish the family peace.  
He is remembered with friendship and love.*

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**Beverly Dornak Supak** - October 01, 2019 at 10:44 AM

CK

“ So sorry to hear of Gary's passing...Prayers for the family!!!

Carla Korthauer - October 01, 2019 at 08:53 AM

DC

“ So sorry and sad to learn of the passing of fellow classmate Gary. Rest in peace Prayers for comfort for Gary's family.

delores cox - September 30, 2019 at 10:21 PM

RA

May the Lord thy God comfort the family in this time of sorrow

Ricky Aldridge - October 01, 2019 at 03:06 PM

KK

“ Kathy Koudela lit a candle in memory of Gary Kana



Kathy Koudela - September 30, 2019 at 07:40 PM

VV

“ So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. Prayers to all of his family. Our boys, Colby and Troy, were friends and played ball together. Gary was always a lot of fun. May he RIP.

Vicki Vackar - September 30, 2019 at 05:21 PM

RJ

“ So sorry for your loss. RIP Gary. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Rae Ann Johnson - September 30, 2019 at 04:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gary Kana.*



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September 30, 2019 at 03:47 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gary Kana.*



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September 30, 2019 at 02:32 PM



“ *Gary surrounds us now with all the angles in heaven. No pain or grief will he know any more. You will always be in our hearts. I will always remember him sitting on the trash can at Ritz's in the morning.*

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**Paula Kana** - September 30, 2019 at 01:15 PM