



Hubert Kaiser

March 13, 1938 - October 5, 2024

Hubert Kaiser, 86, went to be with our Lord on Saturday, Oct 5, 2024. He was born in El Campo on March 13, 1938, to his parents Hugo Kaiser and Marcella Kana Kaiser.

He attended school in El Campo and graduated from El Campo High School in 1957. He attended Wharton County Jr. College, then earned his teaching degree from Sam Houston State University, majoring in Industrial Arts and Technology.

He married Mary Jane Motl on Aug. 14, 1961, in a beautiful ceremony at St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church in El Campo. His mindset was one of service, compassion, and mentorship. Hubert was fulfilled by teaching others and helping them realize their full potential.

In 1960, Hubert began his teaching career at Austin Lamar Jr. High School. Hubert and his wife Mary Jane Kaiser continued teaching in Ganado from 1962-1964. He then taught architectural drafting, woodshop, and small motors classes at El Campo High School where he retired after 41 years of teaching in 2001. In all the years as an educator, he safely transported children as a bus driver to and from school each day, driving over one million miles without a single accident.

He helped students fall in love with and start their industrial arts and architecture careers, sharing his passion and inherent creative talents. Each year, he was proud of his woodshop and small motors students who successfully competed at the UIL State Industrial Arts competition in Waco.

Hubert was an amazing golfer and the 238th charter member at El Campo Country Club. He loved playing golf with his son, grandchildren, and friends. Again, sharing his talents, he took immense joy in coaching ECHS girls and boys junior varsity and varsity golf teams, leading them to victories at tournaments across Texas.

Hubert was an outstanding baseball player and pitcher known for his famous knuckleball. In 1952, he and his El Campo Youth Baseball team took their winning record to the Babe Ruth World Series in Trenton, N.J. He continued as a pitcher, leading ECHS to UIL victories and making lifelong memories with his teammates. Hubert continued sharing his gifts as an El Campo Little League coach with his son and other children. Helping with and attending his grandchildren's birthdays, athletic events and school performances enriched his life. He had a confident and gentle touch when providing guidance and helping others. He was everyone's friend.

He had a love of cars and loved to work on cars, especially his 1951 two-door hard-top Chevy. He and his father, Hugo, built the garage together at their home across from ECHS on West Norris. As a high school student, he was known for his spirited muffler-barreling, rubber-burning departures from the ECHS parking lot at the end of each school day. As a father, he led family camping adventures with other families in the El Campo area who shared this pursuit of recreational enjoyment.

In 1978, he designed and built the Kaiser family home with his wife, son, and close friends. He delivered incredible joy to his son and his friends by creating

backyard forts, tree houses, and the “glide ride.” Hubert loved to fish and go floundering from Palacios to Schicke Point to Rockport; if there was an opportunity to go, he was ready to go.

Hubert was an active member of St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church and a former St. Philip Catholic School Board member. He was also a proud Knights of Columbus Council 2940 member; KJZT member; and active contributor to countless non-profit charities and committees.

Hubert made incredible community contributions leaving a legacy across El Campo. Beginning in the late 1960s, he and his wife were instrumental in transforming Holy Cross Memorial Park Cemetery into the incredible fulfilling experience that our community celebrates each time they honor their loved ones, including paving the way for the Committal Chapel where his graveside services will be held.

Other highlights included: the creation of Friendship Park; the establishment of the Keep El Campo Beautiful Board and “Bees” with his wife, including the complete makeover of Evans Park; planning for the Zlotnik Legacy Baseball Park & Playgrounds; the new El Campo Middle School; the Northside Boys & Girls Club and Senior Heritage Center where he led fundraisers and volunteered, including bringing happiness to senior citizens by calling Bingo with Patty Jenson for over 10 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law, Robert Motl. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Mary Jane; son, Michael Brent; grandchildren, Elizabeth, Michael and Nathaniel Kaiser; his brother, Marvin Kaiser (Lorna); sister, Renee Beery (Alan) and sister-in-law, Peggy Motl.

Visitation will be held at Triska Funeral Home on Wednesday, Oct. 16, from

5:30-7:30 p.m. Services will be at St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church on Thursday, Oct. 17 where visitation will continue from 9-10 a.m., followed by a Rosary led by the Knights of Columbus. Funeral Mass will begin at 10:30 a.m. with Bishop Gary Janak officiating. His rite of burial and committal will follow at Holy Cross Memorial Park Committal Chapel. After graveside services, the Catholic Daughters will host a reception for Hubert's family and friends at the El Campo Knights of Columbus Hall.

Serving pallbearers: his son, Brent; grandsons Michael and Nathaniel; brother, Marvin Kaiser; brother-in-law, Alan Beery; Delbur Swanson; Kenny Goff and Jim Baros.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested all donations be made to the El Campo Holy Cross Memorial Park Legacy Fund.

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

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Memorial Park

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

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **16.** 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

OCT **17.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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

Knights of Columbus Rosary

OCT 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall

CK

“ *Hubert was an amazing Grandpa to Elizabeth, Michael and Nate. Sharing stories and spending time with his kind and focused attention. He is deeply loved and missed.*



Carrie Kaiser - October 18, 2024 at 02:02 PM

EC

“ *Elaine Mach Cook lit a candle in memory of Hubert Kaiser*



Elaine Mach Cook - October 16, 2024 at 01:39 PM

DT

“ *Condolences to Mary Jane, Brent & family on Hubert's passing. We have fond memories of the Kaisers & we were parents of 3 boys on bus 12, where they received much education. God bless Hubert!*

Donna Thornton - October 16, 2024 at 01:04 PM

WS

“ *Mr. Kaiser was my high school drafting teacher and inspired me to pursue it into Junior College. He was a great person and will be missed!*

Wes Sulak - October 15, 2024 at 11:20 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Hubert Kaiser.



October 15, 2024 at 11:16 PM



“ *Shirley Popp* lit a candle in memory of Hubert Kaiser



Shirley Popp - October 15, 2024 at 10:32 AM



“ *Bonny C.* purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Hubert Kaiser.



Bonny C. - October 14, 2024 at 02:12 PM



“ *Julie Strnadel* sent a virtual gift in memory of Hubert Kaiser



Julie Strnadel - October 14, 2024 at 01:47 PM

MS

“ I've known Mr. Kaiser for most of my life and Mrs Kaiser was my 3rd grade teacher.

I do not remember if Mr. Kaiser was there, but I think that he was. Mrs. Kaiser was campaigning for Bill Patman in Victoria and I was with my Mother who was shopping at the time.

I'm so sorry for your loss Mrs. Kaiser and family. Mr. Kaiser was a very good man.



Martin Strarup - October 13, 2024 at 05:52 PM

CR

“ Cindy Riha lit a candle in memory of Hubert Kaiser



Cindy Riha - October 13, 2024 at 05:34 PM

SS

“ Sandra Stary lit a candle in memory of Hubert Kaiser



Sandra Stary - October 13, 2024 at 09:21 AM

FF

“ *Floyd and Becky Fisher*



Floyd and Becky Fishet - October 12, 2024 at 04:34 PM

NM

“ *We loved being neighbors to the Kaisers.
Such wonderful people. God Bless You All.
Nora (Schwartzkopf) McCullough*



Nora Schwartzkopf McCullough - October 12, 2024 at 01:28 PM

LS

“ *Liz Staff lit a candle in memory of Hubert
Kaiser*



Liz Staff - October 11, 2024 at 09:09 PM

KK

“ *Kathryn Krpec lit a candle in memory of
Hubert Kaiser*



kathryn krpec - October 11, 2024 at 09:03 PM

SS

“ *Sandra Stary lit a candle in memory of Hubert Kaiser*



Sandra Stary - October 11, 2024 at 07:10 PM

PD

“ *Patricia Dybala lit a candle in memory of Hubert Kaiser*



Patricia Dybala - October 11, 2024 at 04:45 PM

DS

“ *David & Charlene Linhart Smith lit a candle in memory of Hubert Kaiser*



David & Charlene Linhart Smith - October 11, 2024 at 04:29 PM

CC

“ *MR Kaiser was a nice teacher and a wonderful bus driver*



Claire Cerny - October 11, 2024 at 03:18 PM

PA

So sorry to hear about Herbert passing away. I will be praying for you & the rest of his family. Pat Allen (Johnel Allen's wife)

Pat Allen - October 13, 2024 at 06:00 PM

JK

Mr. Kaiser was my high school drafting teacher. Whenever I got stuck on something he would sit down and finish drawing it out. He was a good man.

Julie A Kacal - October 23, 2024 at 04:15 PM