



Patricia M. Kresta

January 14, 1941 - February 8, 2019

“I worked all my life for this. To see God.”

Surrounded by family, Patricia M. Kresta, 78, went to be with her eternal Father on February 8, 2019.

Patricia was born in Pasadena, Texas to Agnes and John R. Malik on January 14, 1941. She graduated Wharton High School and WCJC with a business degree while working at D. McElroy Insurance Agency. She married Albert C. Kresta, Jr. on May 5, 1962 and upon the birth of their first child, she devoted herself to raising her children and living the life of a farmer’s wife.

She rejoined the workforce in 1983, going back to the same office and same desk for the McElroy/Hill Insurance Agency, now named Insurance Net until May 2018. She cherished her relationships with both coworkers and clients. In addition to raising kids and working in the insurance agency, she loved teaching religious education to both high school students and adult RCIA candidates at St. John Catholic Church in New Taiton, which she did for over 40 years. Her greatest joy was seeing her RCIA students participating in the Sacrifice of the Mass and living out their Catholic faith. She also enjoyed singing in the church choir and attending daily Mass.

If she wasn’t at work or church, she could be found in her kitchen, her flowerbeds and garden, or helping her kids in any way she could.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Albert C. Kresta, Jr., her children: Brenda Elzner and husband Jim, Yvonne Marcaurele and husband David, AJ Kresta and wife Molly, Allan Kresta and wife Sherry. Tim Kresta and wife Teri, Amy Drlik, and Keith Kresta and wife Sara. Grandchildren Megan Riha and husband Toby, Jon Marcaurele and wife Elizabeth, Taylor Elzner, Josh Elzner, Gerard Marcaurele and wife Brooke, Nicole Wegmiller and husband Bryce, Eli Kresta, Dylan Drlik, Whitney Watkins, Isaac Kresta, Jacob Drlik, Ashton Kresta, Natalie Drlik, Tori Elzner, Ashley Kresta, Luc Marcaurele, Andrew Kresta, Lauren Kresta, Nicholas Elzner, Aaron Drlik, Emily Kresta, Lucy Kresta, and Michael Kresta. Great Grandchildren: Simone Riha, Hudson Riha, Vanessa Riha, Maverick Marcaurele, Reese Marcaurele, and Lucas Duran. She is also survived by her sisters: Agnes Bunn, Theresa Pyka, Barbara Hickl and husband John, and Bernadette Svatek.

Visitation will be 5:30 pm Tuesday, February 12, at St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church in New Taiton, with a Wake Service and Rosary following at 6:30 pm. The funeral Mass will be 10 am Wednesday, February 13, 2019, at the Church with Fr. Gabriel Oduro Tawiah presiding.

Pallbearers are grandsons: Jon, Gerard, Dylan, Jacob, Ashton, and Andrew.

Memorial Donations may be made to St. John Religious Education Program or to St. John Choir.

Cemetery Details

St. John Catholic Cemetery

1843 CR 469
El Campo, TX 77437

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.



February 13, 2019 at 09:45 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.



February 12, 2019 at 06:45 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.



February 12, 2019 at 03:25 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.



February 12, 2019 at 02:43 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.*



February 12, 2019 at 01:44 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.*



February 12, 2019 at 11:58 AM



“ *Please accept my sincere condolences as you mourn the loss of your mother. She was truly a Proverbs 31 woman... a wife, mother and friend, serving those around her and providing an example of loving faithfulness to those she touched. May she celebrate in the presence of our living Savior! Foster Ullmann*

Foster Ullmann - February 12, 2019 at 11:43 AM



Our Condolences to the family. Mrs. Kresta was a sweet, very religious Lady. Met her as customer at Wal-Mart. She will be miss.

Rose Davila - February 16, 2019 at 03:54 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.*



February 12, 2019 at 08:46 AM



“ *Pat was one of the sweetest, kindest ladies I have ever met, it makes me very sad to hear of her passing. But I know she went straight into the arms of our sweet Jesus. Rest In Peace sweet angel! My condolences to her beautiful family! Rose Pasak*

Rose Pasak - February 11, 2019 at 09:44 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.*



February 11, 2019 at 09:37 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.*



February 11, 2019 at 07:45 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.*



February 11, 2019 at 07:24 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.*



February 11, 2019 at 06:03 PM



“ *Mrs. Kresta was the sweetest, Godliest woman I had the privilege of knowing. May we all have that same love for our Lord and Savior. She will be missed.*
Sherry Pietsch

Sherry Pietsch - February 11, 2019 at 04:45 PM



I know Alan Kresta is a man of great character and values which I would have to guess a large amount of credit for that results from loving Mother and Father.

Duane Weber - February 12, 2019 at 12:46 AM

DM

“ Dennis and Patsy Mader would like to express their sympathy to the Kresta family.



Dennis and Patsy Mader - February 11, 2019 at 03:49 PM

LC

“ Worked with Pat for 5 years as one of her company underwriters. She was one of the most wonderful and sweetest persons I have met. It was a privilege to know her. Heaven definitely received a wonderful angel. Thoughts and prayers to your family. Lynn Cannedy

lynn cannedy - February 11, 2019 at 02:07 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.



February 11, 2019 at 02:04 PM

DB

“ David & Debbie Bubela lit a candle in memory of Patricia M. Kresta



David & Debbie Bubela - February 11, 2019 at 12:52 PM

RP

“ R & R Printing lit a candle in memory of Patricia M. Kresta



R & R Printing - February 11, 2019 at 12:31 PM

RF

We would like to extend our deepest condolences to Patricia's family at this time. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

R & R Printing family - February 11, 2019 at 12:33 PM

SI

“ Simplot purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.



Simplot - February 11, 2019 at 11:16 AM

MM

“ Michelle Pavlu McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Patricia M. Kresta



Michelle Pavlu McDaniel - February 11, 2019 at 10:34 AM

VB

“ I enjoyed working with Pat when she came back to work in 1983. My thoughts and prayers are with her family. Vlasta Brenk

Vlasta Brenk - February 11, 2019 at 09:10 AM

RT

“ Mrs. Kresta was a very special lady. She always made me feel welcome in the choir and in some cases made me come up to the choir. I am going to miss that beautiful smile. I know her ultimate goal was to be with Jesus and she is looking down on us waiting for the next beautiful song. I am really going to miss you. To Mr. Kresta and the family that for sharing Mrs. Kresta with us. We will keep you in our prayers.

Randy Taylor - February 11, 2019 at 09:09 AM

NA

“ Natare purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.



Natare - February 11, 2019 at 08:40 AM

YS

“ Your Friends @ Dynamic Systems purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.



Your Friends @ Dynamic Systems - February 11, 2019 at 07:46 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.



February 11, 2019 at 07:22 AM

CR

“ I was so sad to Learn of the passing of your Mom, Grandmother, Great Grandmother, Pat, as I so fondly called her. She was my RCIA instructor and also my Sponsor. Our weekly Tuesday evening meetings were the most wonderful times of my life. God’s presence was truly felt during each of our meetings. I know she was lifted up by him and welcomed into his loving arms. All the angels in heaven began singing Allelujah she’s home. My heart is breaking, but I know I must not be sad. I can never express to any of you what she did for me! She changed my entire life and help make me the person I am today. A child of God. I love you Pat, and you carry a special place in my heart always. I will continue to try and live what you instilled in me so that we will meet again.

Carolyn Roy - February 11, 2019 at 07:14 AM

EC

“ Elaine Cook lit a candle in memory of Patricia M. Kresta



Elaine Cook - February 10, 2019 at 11:54 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.



February 10, 2019 at 11:32 PM

LU

“ *Lynell Ustynik lit a candle in memory of Patricia M. Kresta*



Lynell Ustynik - February 10, 2019 at 08:59 PM

BP

“ *Sending our heartfelt sympathy and condolences to you all. Rosaries and Chaplets have been prayed. Patricia's living gift of her faith lives on in the lives of the people she touched, and that of her family whose lives they touch.* 💕🙏🌹

Brenda & Bobber Pina - February 10, 2019 at 07:40 PM

PD

“ *Patricia Dybala lit a candle in memory of Patricia M. Kresta*



Patricia Dybala - February 10, 2019 at 07:38 PM

PG

“ *Philippe & Marian Gleize purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Patricia M. Kresta.*



Philippe & Marian Gleize - February 10, 2019 at 07:05 PM

RM

“ *Rose Ann Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Patricia M. Kresta*



Rose Ann Mitchell - February 10, 2019 at 05:14 PM

JR

“ *My deepest sympathy and condolences to the family. Prayers for strenght to get through these hard times for you all. Mrs. Kresta was a very special lady. She will be missed by all who knew her. Janie Roehl*

Janie Roehl - February 10, 2019 at 04:44 PM