



Paul Jerry Kopecky

December 31, 1929 - June 26, 2019

Paul Jerry Kopecky, 89, of Richmond, passed away June 26, 2019. He was born on December 31, 1929 in El Campo to the late Joe and Annie Halamicek Kopecky. He served in the U.S. Army and the U.S. Air Force. Paul graduated from the University of Texas and went to work at Wyatt's Cafeteria in 1957 and retired as CEO in 1994.

He is survived by his four children, daughters, Diane Spinks and husband Powell of Vadito, NM, Sharon Hayes and husband Jim of Rockport, Debbie Mercatante and husband Mike of Dripping Springs; son, Paul Jerry Kopecky Jr. of Houston; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews who called him "Uncle Pistol."

Paul was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Bernice Mary Kopecky; his parents; six brothers and two sisters.

Visitation will be from 3-6 p.m. Sunday, June 30 at Triska Funeral Home. Funeral services begin 10 a.m. Monday, July 1 at the funeral home. Burial under the auspices of the American Legion Post 251 will follow at Garden of Memories Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Jody Kopecky, Lawrence Kana, David Cannell, Bruce Krenek, Chris Kopecky and David Kana. Honorary pallbearers are Barry

Reinhardt, Billy Joe Kopecky and Larry Krenek.

Ushers are Gordon Newton, Alan Roy Krenek and Butch Houseworth.

Memorial donations in memory of Paul may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

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

Cemetery Details

Garden of Memories

US Business 59 and CR 358
El Campo, TX 77437

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

JUL 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MB

“ I was so blessed to have the privilege to have known Paul the time he was at Garden Villa. I've only known one other "Pistol" and I'm sure Paul lived up to his name. God's speed to Paul and know many were there to welcome him into the Kingdom of Glory and to his rewards he deserved and earned.

Toodie Brady

Maureen Brady - July 06, 2019 at 02:25 PM

KS

“ I am one of the remaining Kopecky cousins, and I was very sorry to learn of Paul's death. My father and Paul's father were brothers. At this sad time my sympathy goes to Paul's entire family. May God's love and good memories comfort you all now and in the days to come.

Katherine Kopecky Streetenberger
Euless, TX

Katherine Streetenberger - July 01, 2019 at 01:04 PM

JW

“ Sad to read Pistol's obit in today's Houston Chronicle. I am one of Paul's Kopecky cousins. I think only 3 of the 17 of us still survive. My mother, Ludma Kopecky Walzel knew and loved them all. Paul lived a great and successful life. I last saw him at a cafeteria here in Houston. My sympathy to you all.

Sincerely, Jim Walzel

Jim Walzel - June 29, 2019 at 12:53 PM

MF

“ *Mamie and Victor Mercatante and family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Paul Jerry Kopecky.*



Mamie and Victor Mercatante and family - June 28, 2019 at 08:24 PM

CW

“ *So sorry to hear about Uncle Pistol's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family.*

*Jeff and Charlotte White
Norwood, GA*

Charlotte White - June 28, 2019 at 01:53 PM

JW

Our thoughts and prayers are with Uncle Pistol's family.

*John and Sandy White
Knoxville, TN*

John White - June 28, 2019 at 08:31 PM

GD

Sorry to hear of Paul's passing. Looks like I may survive all of my old friends and buddies. Paul was an able assistant to me for many years and did a great job after I left. He is now back with his wonderful wife, Bernice. We made many world wide trips together. I lost Anita 2 years ago and miss her very much. Hit 92 this month and trying for more. George DeShazo 9515 Dove Meadow, Dallas, TX 75243 (214-906-5044)

George DeShazo - June 30, 2019 at 12:37 PM