



William "Joe" Zella

August 14, 1927 - August 28, 2014

William "Joe" Zella, 87 of El Campo, passed away August 28, 2014. He was born on August 14, 1927 in Hochheim, Texas, to Anton and Gussie Lesak Zella. Joe worked as a lineman and patrolman for CP&L for over 40 years was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #2490, American Legion Post 251, Czech Heritage Society and CPL Retired Camping Group. He also served in the United States Army.

He is survived by his wife Daisy Lange Zella; daughters Karen and Clark Charbula of Victoria, Evelyn and Bruce Labay, Teresa and Chris Couey, and Paula and Perry Mazoch, all of El Campo; 12 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; brother Julius Zella of Houston; sisters Lillian Motes of Beeville, Mary Pittman of Houston and Ellen Mulligan of North Carolina.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents; brother Edmund Zella; and sisters Annie Otto, Georgia Barber and Pat Kubecka.

Visitation will begin at 2 pm on Friday, August 29, 2014 at Triska Funeral Home. A Rosary will be recited at 2 pm on Saturday, August 30, 2014 at St. Philip Catholic Church. Funeral Mass will immediately follow at 2:30 pm with the Reverend Albert Yankey officiating. Interment will follow at Holy Cross Memorial Park with military honors under the auspices of the American Legion Post 251.

Pallbearers are Craig Charbula, Eric Labay, Marc Labay, Tim Hodges, Clinton Couey, Colton Green and Camden Green. Honorary pallbearers are Brooke Adkinson, Jennifer Koudela, Kerry Charbula, Emorie Mazoch and Kolton Mazoch.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Philip Catholic Church or Houston Hospice-El Campo.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Memorial Park

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

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 29. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Rosary

AUG 30. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Mass

AUG 30. 2:30 PM (CT)

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Burial

AUG 30 (CT)

Holy Cross Memorial Park
US Hwy 59 and Mechanic St.
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Tribute Wall

JR

“ *Daisy, Evelyn and the entire Zella family - I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Mr. Zella. Every time you would see him, he would have that wonderful smile on his face. Please accept my deepest sympathy and prayers.*

*Judy (Merta) Rohan
ECHS Class 1977*

Judy (Merta) Rohan - November 03, 2014 at 03:52 PM

MC

“ *Tim, Theresa and Family,*

My thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow.

Marshall Charpentier

Marshall Charpentier - August 29, 2014 at 09:24 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of William "Joe" Zella.*



August 29, 2014 at 01:43 PM

VT

“ *My Prayers and Love to Aunt Daisy and family for your loss. Uncle Joe will be missed. He always had that cute smile when I saw him.*

Love You,

Vivian

Vivian Taylor - August 29, 2014 at 09:14 AM

ML

“ *Our prayers go out to Aunt Daisy and the Girls that you find courage in the days to come and comfort in knowing that Uncle Joe is at peace. He was definitely one of a kind and I always admired and respected him for that. Uncle Joe will truly be missed.*

We Love You.

Mike, Angie and Ian Lange

Mike Lange - August 28, 2014 at 09:20 PM

KC

“ *Our condolences to the Entire Zella Family. I know Joe aka Grandpa Zella will be dearly missed. We will remember him for the smile he always had and the nice chats we shared with him and Gma Zella. Cherish all the wonderful memories and know that he will be your Forever Angel.*

Love and Hugs to All,

Scott, Kendra and Kambree Charbula

Kendra Charbula - August 28, 2014 at 02:53 PM