



Emanuel David Kocian "Sonny"

August 31, 1948 - December 7, 2024

Emanuel David Kocian, fondly known as "Sonny", 76, passed away on December 7, 2024. Emanuel was born August 31, 1948, in Wharton, Texas to Emanuel Kocian and Lottie (Bujnoch) Kocian.

He worked for Schlumberger Technology Corporation for 30 years, retiring in 1999. He lived in Rosenberg for 42 years before moving to Boling in 2010 to enjoy the country life. In his younger years he enjoyed fishing and taking trips to the beach. Emanuel loved listening to music, raising his cattle, talking about old times, riding in his Ranger around his neighborhood and visiting with neighbors.

Emanuel is preceded in death by his wife of 36 years Betty Smajstrla Kocian, his parents, brothers, Leroy Kocian and Clarence Kocian, sister, Leona Kocian Boone and son-in-law, Terry Newman.

He is survived by his children, Jennifer Kocian Rychlik and husband, Rob, Pamela Kocian Kveton-Newman, and Matthew Kocian; grandchildren, Travis Rychlik and wife, Maggie, Janna Rychlik Kalinowski and husband, Cody, Sarah Kveton, Jessica Kveton and Steven Kveton; sisters, Mary Alice Machicek (Joe), Gladys Machicek, Joan Gulling, Katherine Paul, Theresa Hundl (Gilbert); sisters-in-law, Delores Kocian and Sophia Kocian; brothers, George Kocian (Bernice) and Ervin Kocian (Gloria); along with extended family and friends.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. with a Rosary at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg.

The funeral mass will be held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, December 12, 2024 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Needville followed by burial at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Rosenberg.

Pallbearers will include his nephews, Leroy Kocian Jr., Kenneth Kocian, Joseph Machicek,

Michael Machicek, Scott Kocian, and Adam Kocian.

Honorary Pallbearers include Travis Rychlik, Janna Kalinowski, Sarah Kveton, Jessica Kveton and Steven Kveton.

For those wishing, in lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Boling Fire Department, P.O. Box 38, Boling, TX or to St. Michael's Catholic Church, P.O. Box 95, Needville, TX.

Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the family at www.davisgreenlawnfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home, 3900 B.F. Terry Blvd. (Hwy 59 South @ FM 2218), Rosenberg, Texas 77471, Phone: 281-341-8800.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Memorial Park

3900 B.F. Terry Blvd.
Rosenberg, TX 77471

Previous Events

Public Visitation

DEC 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapels and Cemeteries
3900 B.F. Terry Blvd.
Rosenberg, TX 77471
(281) 341-8800

**There will be a Rosary at 7:00 p.m.*

Funeral Mass

DEC 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Michael's Catholic Church
9214 Main
Needville, TX 77461

Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Emanuel David Kocian "Sonny".



December 11, 2024 at 09:29 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Emanuel David Kocian "Sonny".



December 10, 2024 at 09:30 PM

DK

“ Dawnette Johnson & Brayden Kocian planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emanuel David Kocian "Sonny".

Dawnette Johnson & Brayden Kocian - December 10, 2024 at 04:15 PM

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“ Dawnette Johnson & Brayden Kocian purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Emanuel David Kocian "Sonny".



Dawnette Johnson & Brayden Kocian - December 10, 2024 at 04:15 PM

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“ Some great memories with Sonny and the kiddos, too many fun times to count that will forever be cherished in my heart. My condolences to the family. Eternal rest grant unto him/her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him/her. May he/she rest in peace. Amen.

Dina Rozner - December 10, 2024 at 10:21 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Emanuel David Kocian "Sonny".

December 09, 2024 at 09:54 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Emanuel David Kocian "Sonny".



December 09, 2024 at 09:54 PM

JK

“ My condolences to cousin Sonny's family and friends. My thoughts and prayers go out to you. Rest in peace, Sonny. ❤️

Judy Kocian - December 09, 2024 at 05:31 PM