



Genevieve Cegelski

June 22, 1910 - July 11, 2008

Genevieve Kopycinski Cegelski passed away July 11, 2008, at the age of 98. She passed peacefully in her sleep after a brief illness.

She was born June 22, 1910 in Chappell Hill, Texas, the second child of Helen and Frank Kopycinski. In 1928, she moved with her family to the A. P. George Ranch where her father and relatives worked for the George family. In 1930, she married Max Cegelski of Chappell Hill. They married at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Rosenberg and they lived the first five years of their marriage in Chappell Hill. In 1935 they moved by wagon to Rosenberg to farm and raise their family, remaining in Rosenberg the rest of their lives.

Genevieve is preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, Max Cegelski; her parents, Helen and Frank Kopycinski; her brothers, Max and Alphonse Kopycinski; and her sisters, Verna Kopycinski and Kazmyra Townsend.

She is survived by her sons, T.J. Cegelski and wife, Dorothy of Branson, Missouri, Daniel Cegelski and wife, Anita, of League City, Ed Cegelski and wife, Lynette, of Stafford; daughter, Maxine Phelan and husband, Herb, of Rosenberg. Survivors also include granddaughters, Connie Fulbright and husband, Pat, Julie Wolter and husband, Robert, Debra Hodges and husband, Scott, and Amy Cegelski; grandsons, Herb Phelan and wife, Amy, and Michael Phelan and wife, Rhonda, five great-grandchildren, Lauren, Claire and Parker

Hodges and Erica and T.J. Phelan. She is also survived by brothers, Ted and Edward Kopycinski; special nephew, Bennie Cegelski of Sulphur Springs; namesake great-great niece, Genevieve Rohling of Atlanta, and numerous other relatives and friends.

Genevieve was a faithful, lifetime parishioner of Holy Rosary Church. She was a member of the Catholic Daughters of America, the Altar Society, and the KJZT. Genevieve's family and her faith were of utmost importance to her life. In childhood and marriage, she did all the hard work that life on a cotton farm involved. She was an excellent seamstress, cook, and gardener. She is fondly remembered by her family for the steadfastness of her faith and kind nature. She was "Mama" to her children and "Booshie" to her grandchildren and Booshie's house will always be remembered for the good food, fun, and love shared at family gatherings. She will be greatly missed, but she leaves fond memories for her loved ones.

She spent the last ten years at Cambridge Square Assisted Living Facility in Rosenberg, and the family wishes to thank the workers and staff of Cambridge, as well as Gloria Galvan, for their dedicated and loving care of her during all that time. They tended to her with utmost kindness, compassion, and love. The family also thanks Dr. Ivan Mefford and the staff of Fort Bend Nursing Home who served her with kindness in her last illness.

Visitation will be at Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg on Monday, July 14, 2008 from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. with a rosary at 7:00 P.M.

A Funeral Mass will be held at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, July 15, 2008, at Holy Rosary Catholic Church with interment following at West Gethsemane Gardens in Rosenberg. Father Dan Warden will officiate the services.

For those wishing memorials may be made in Genevieve's name to Holy

Rosary Catholic School Endowment Fund, 1416 George, Rosenberg, Texas.

Words of condolence can be left for the Cegelski family at www.davisgreenlaw.com

Tribute Wall

MV

“ So sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. We always had a special place in our hearts for your parents. We will always remember how good and kind they were to us.

Mr. Mrs. Ruben Vasquez - July 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EL

“ Ms. Phelan - I was so sorry to hear about your loss. I can definitely relate since it was not that long ago that my family was going through the same thing. You are such a sweet, special person. I have always had the fondest memories of you from high school. You were one of those teachers who left a wonderful lifetime impression on me; I loved going to your class. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.

Elaine Kulcak Lindemann - July 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Maxine,

I was sorry to read of the loss of your mother. You must must be comforted by her long, interesting and fulfilling life. You and your family have my sympathy at this time.

*Sincerely,
Shirley Hicks*

Shirley Hicks - July 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ *Maxine,
Adam & I wish to express our sincerest condolences to you, Herb,
Herbie, Michael and families upon the loss of your mother. I check
the Herald-Coaster every now and then online and learned of the
news just today. I also was unaware that Ted Kopycinski was her
brother and your uncle. I'm thinking that she probably has already
met my Mom in heaven as we lost Margaret unexpectedly last year
in June.
I trust you and the family are otherwise doing well. Adam continues
serving in the Air Force and will soon finish a four year assignment
with the Thunderbirds. He will be stationed at Edwards AFB in CA
next.
Best regards,
Carol Pawelek*

Carol & Adam Pawelek - July 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ *Maxine and family -
Our deepest sympathy and heartfelt thoughts are with you and your
family.
Tommy, Terry, Amanda, and Cody Lindsey*

Terry Lindsey - July 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *Maxine and family:
I wanted to at least touch base with you during this sad time. I am with Dad at the hospital so we are not able to attend. However, wanted to say "We are so sorry for your loss. I know some of what you are feeling and when I lost Mom, I felt very empty and missed her terribly. At the same time, I was grateful that she no longer suffered and was happily enjoying her freedom with God. If you are not there yet, you will get there - it just takes some time! That said, the sadness does return at the most unexpected times. I think perhaps losing your Mom is never easy since it is your beginning in this world! Our prayers and thoughts are with you and our hugs!! Take care and be gentle with yourself! Stella*

Stella Roehe Lessert - July 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *Eddie, Lynette and family, We are sorry we could not make it, we just wanted you all to know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Just knowing what a long life she lived and the memories shared is so comforting. I am sure she will be greatly missed.*

Billy and Mary Greenwald - July 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Daniel, T.J., Eddie, and Maxine,

Your Mother, will always be as close as a memory, and the God of all comfort as close as a prayer. We are so sorry we could not be there, but our hearts and prayers are with each and everyone of you and your families now and always.
With much love;
Mary Anne, Van, Regina, David, Piper, Peyton, Matthew, and Anna*

Mary Anne Cegelski - July 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *Maxine -- It's never easy to lose your Mom, but she lived a long and faithful life and raised a beautiful family. I know she's now at at peace as my Mom is, and they are now watching over us from above. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Jo Ann Jozwiak-Hill - July 14, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *To Ed & Lynette and the rest of the Cegelski Family. It is hard when you lose a loved one especially when it is your Mom. I know because I lost my Mom last November. You are in my thoughts and prayers. May God be with you and comfort you in this time of sorrow.*

*Johnny Carr
Katy, Tx*

Johnny Carr - July 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *Daniel, T. J., Eddie and Maxine,
My sympathy and prayers continue to be with you and your precious family.*

Barbara Jean H. - July 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NL

“ *To Maxine,
With deepest sympathy on the passing of your Mom. We shall include her in our daily prayers. May she rest in peace.
On behalf of your sisters in CDA,*

Norma Locker - July 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *Maxine,*

Our sympathies are with you. We will be thinking of you dearly in the days ahead.

Janet, Jennifer & Lindsay Pollock

Janet Ashley Pollock - July 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM