



Harold Frederick Christmann Jr.

March 1, 1949 - November 4, 2025

Harold Frederick Christmann Jr. passed away unexpectedly on November 4, 2025, at the age of 76 in Houston, Texas. He was born on March 1, 1949, in New York City, New York to the late Gloria A. and Harold F. Christmann.

Surviving him are his wife of 52 years, Ann Christmann, his son Greg Christmann and wife Amanda, and his daughter Jenni Stupka and husband Eric. He was a devoted grandfather to Collin Christmann, Allison Christmann, Olivia Stupka, Presley Stupka, and Jack Stupka. He is additionally survived by his brother, Bill, and wife Cindy; his five sisters, Linda, Gloria, Joanne and husband Bubba, Karen and husband Pat, and Therese and husband Ron; numerous nieces and nephews; and his faithful yellow labrador, Lori.

Harold has always been enamored with the outdoors. In 1972, he graduated from Stephen F. Austin State University with both an Accounting Degree and a Wildlife Biology Degree with a minor in Forestry. During that time, he was a member of the Theta Chi Fraternity, a brotherhood that he eventually shared with his son and his grandson. While involved in Theta Chi he participated in philanthropic efforts and formed valuable lifelong friendships. Afterwards, he began his career in public accounting under the guidance of Arthur Andersen & Co. before founding his own firm, Christmann & Co., in 1983. In doing so, he was able to employ many nieces, sisters, and family members, allowing the family bonds to continue at work, eventually sharing his practice with his son.

Harold also participated in numerous recreational and service-based

organizations. He was a long-standing member of the St. Charles Bay Hunting Club, holding titles such as Board Member, Treasurer, and past President. His family recalls many lively nights spent chatting on the porches of the club, listening to Harold's jokes, anecdotes, and tall tales. In addition to the club, he served on the Board of Directors for the Sam Houston Area Council of Boy Scouts of America, chairing their sporting clays event for two years. His life membership and leadership positions in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo allowed him to treat loved ones to many entertaining Rodeo nights. His mission to conserve the wildlife he was so fond of is embodied in his thirty-year membership in the Ducks Unlimited organization, where he served as District Chairman, Zone Chairman, and Area Chairman.

Above all else, his adoration for Texas nature fueled his purchase of the New Ulm property, which quickly became not only his happy place, but a sanctuary for family and friends as well. He took great joy in teaching his grandchildren the names of various birds, plants, and small animals, instilling in them the same respect for the outdoors that he held. His favorite pastime at the country was sitting on the porch throwing the ball for Lori while having appetizers with friends and family and scouting for deer in his binoculars. Most recently, he took up cattle-ranching as a hobby. He dedicated his free time to learning the ins and outs of raising and selling cows, with Lori riding shotgun for daily feeds and trotting eagerly alongside his boots as he checked the pastures. Despite his many accomplishments, hobbies, organizations, boards, and accolades, his real passion in life was his family and friends. He was with his wife, Ann, for 56 years and every week he looked forward to heading to the country on Friday afternoon and spending the weekends with her, working, relaxing, and dining with their close friends. He was Greg and Jenni's best friend and confidante; he always had a listening ear and helpful advice. His proudest accomplishments were his grandchildren - he came to every game, meet, play, recital, Grandparents Day, anything they did, he was there if he could be. He was their number one supporter and biggest cheerleader. He loved teaching them to hunt and fish, traveling with them to the National

Parks, and just sitting around the fire pit talking about their days. The biggest way he showed his love for them was through the example he set in how he lived his life. He was full of integrity and a wealth of knowledge. He always had a helping hand for anyone who needed it, he was an incredibly hard worker, a friend to everyone who met him, and he loved his family and friends unconditionally.

When all is said and done, Harold lived his life the best way possible - with patience, attention to detail, and a quiet joy that followed him everywhere. His positive outlook on life could always be seen in his infectious smile. He altered countless lives through his generosity, whether it was advising friends and family on career success, being a mentor for the younger generation, a sounding board for those in need, or just a lunch to talk about life; Harold served others in everything he did. He was one of a kind and the void he left in so many people's lives will never be filled.

Although the sound of his boots in the office and across the porch at the country will be missed, his legacy lives on in the many lives he touched - especially in his grandchildren, who can tell one bird call from another, appreciate a good George Strait song, and will always smile at the memory of his brown felt cowboy hat.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated Monday, November 17, 2025 at 10:30 AM at St. Cecilia Catholic Church, 10720 Joan of Arc Dr, Houston, TX 77024. A reception will follow holy mass on the church campus.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

NOV 17. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Cecilia Catholic Church
11720 Joan Of Arc Drive
Houston, TX 77024

Reception to Follow Service

NOV 17. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Cecilia Catholic Church
11720 Joan Of Arc Drive
Houston, TX 77024

Tribute Wall

HR

“ Holden Roofing purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Holden Roofing - November 18, 2025 at 09:56 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 17, 2025 at 10:00 AM

KJ

“ Karen and Wade Jones purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Karen and Wade Jones - November 16, 2025 at 09:52 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 15, 2025 at 06:06 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 15, 2025 at 10:05 AM



“ Jesse & Jean Morris purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Jesse & Jean Morris - November 15, 2025 at 09:16 AM



“ Tom and Linda King purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Tom and Linda King - November 15, 2025 at 08:03 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 14, 2025 at 10:23 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



November 14, 2025 at 05:37 PM



“ *Jim & Cheryl Nattier purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



Jim & Cheryl Nattier - November 14, 2025 at 04:31 PM



“ *Van Wart family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



Van Wart family - November 14, 2025 at 02:57 PM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



November 14, 2025 at 02:35 PM

CW

“ Chad Willis purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Chad Willis - November 14, 2025 at 01:38 PM

AR

“ Allen and Carol Rutledge purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Allen and Carol Rutledge - November 14, 2025 at 11:09 AM



“ 234 files added to the album LifeTributes



Dettling Funeral Home - November 13, 2025 at 09:05 PM

CR

“ Curtis R. purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Curtis R. - November 13, 2025 at 05:19 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 13, 2025 at 02:33 PM

KS

“ To Ann, Greg, Jenni and the extended family:

We are sorry for the loss of this great man.

He was an incredibly principled, honest, successful, kind and brave person. Above all, he was a wonderful friend.

He was so proud of his entire family and the lives that Greg and Jenni had built for themselves and for their families. He was a man with many friends, but you were his best friends. I see his values living on in each of you.

He will be dearly missed by everyone who had the good fortune to know him.

Kevin & Monique Smith

Kevin Smith - November 13, 2025 at 02:21 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 13, 2025 at 01:18 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray* was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 13, 2025 at 01:13 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 13, 2025 at 08:56 AM



“ *Tom Walsh for Heralds of the Gospel Inc. purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray* for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Tom Walsh for Heralds of the Gospel Inc. - November 12, 2025 at 08:31 PM

TF

“ *Theta chi fraternity purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



Theta chi fraternity - November 12, 2025 at 07:04 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



November 12, 2025 at 04:46 PM

RF

“ *Renee Kelly, The Hillcrest Foundation purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



Renee Kelly, The Hillcrest Foundation - November 12, 2025 at 03:53 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



November 12, 2025 at 12:05 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray* was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 12, 2025 at 10:47 AM



“ *Casey and Courtney purchased the Your Light Shines* for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Casey and Courtney - November 11, 2025 at 09:08 PM



“ *The Wallace Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



The Wallace Family - November 11, 2025 at 07:44 PM



“ *Margaret F. purchased the Basket of Memories* for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Margaret F. - November 11, 2025 at 04:47 PM

DK

“ Harold was a friend, fraternity brother and business associate. I was a year ahead of Harold at SFA as a member of Theta Chi fraternity. I'll never forget the day my father called me in the early eighties to tell me he was hiring a new CPA for our company, Tex-Isle Supply. My father was meeting with Harold in his office when Harold put 2 and 2 together and asked, are you related to Doug Kayem? He is a fraternity brother with the same last name. Well, my father wasn't sure what to think about that so while Harold was in his office, he called me to ask if I knew him. I said yes, why? He said I'm thinking about hiring this guy as our CPA and wanted to make sure " he wasn't full of BS" As it turned out, Harold was probably the best thing that happened to our company. he was very smart and became a vital resource in reorganizing our company after my father passed away in 1994. Later, Harold helped my brother Curtis and I form a new company, "Kayem Pipe & Steel, which I was designated run. Harold was very instrumental in helping to organize and set up the accounting functions and fiscal operations of the new company. I could go on and on....the bottom line is that Harold was a good friend, fraternity brother, a loving, caring husband, nurturing, loving father and an exceptional talent as a businessman. Harold will be missed very much.. Know that my and my wife Julie (Delta Zeta at SFA) thoughts and prayers are with Ann and all of the Christmann family.

Doug Kayem - November 11, 2025 at 04:37 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 11, 2025 at 04:29 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



November 11, 2025 at 04:22 PM



“ *The Robson Family purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



The Robson Family - November 11, 2025 at 04:17 PM



“ *PJ Hoffman & Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



PJ Hoffman & Family - November 11, 2025 at 03:41 PM

PH

“ Several years ago our Company, Corrugated Concepts needed a CPA firm to help us with our financials. Harold came to our rescue and I am so glad he did. Since we are a family owned business, over the years Harold got to know my family well. Harold was such a kind and caring person to my family especially during the time I lost my husband and my daughter. My family and I felt blessed to have Harold as our CPA and a friend. Our hearts go out to his family! There are not enough words to express our sadness for the loss of Harold and for the loss his family is enduring. Harold will be deeply missed. I pray for God's comfort for his wife and children through the days ahead. May God wrap his arms around you all.

PJ Hoffman - November 11, 2025 at 03:25 PM

TF

“ The DeSimone Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



The DeSimone Family - November 11, 2025 at 01:56 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



November 11, 2025 at 01:00 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



November 10, 2025 at 10:19 PM



“ *We loved Harold with all our hearts! He was such an amazing person. Truly one of a kind. Our family was absolutely blessed to have Harold and his awesome family in our lives. From hunting and fishing with him to playing baseball and basketball on teams he coached, he was a huge part of my life and many others. He was a man that put his kids and family first, and a man of integrity. He was inspiring to be around. He will be deeply missed by everyone that knew him. There are not enough words to express how truly great he was!*

Joseph Schultz - November 10, 2025 at 07:27 PM



“ *Joe, Bernard, Robin and Misty purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..*



Joe, Bernard, Robin and Misty - November 10, 2025 at 07:13 PM

JM

“ Joe, Bernard, Robin and Misty planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..

Joe, Bernard, Robin and Misty - November 10, 2025 at 07:13 PM

LM

“ Luke McClellan purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Luke McClellan - November 10, 2025 at 06:30 PM

MD

“ Marion and Lee Durand purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Marion and Lee Durand - November 10, 2025 at 02:17 PM

MB

“ Harold and I worked together at Arthur Anderson in the tax division. He was a tax manager when I started my career in 1977 as a new staff person out of Texas Tech. Harold enjoyed fishing at the St Charles Bay, was a staple at Ducks Unlimited. He enjoyed snow skiing. And his commitment to the houston livestock show and rodeo was legendary. What a brilliant man, who gave so freely to his community. He will be greatly missed. I honestly can not think of a more likable gentleman. Harold was a leader. I have many fond memories of his daughter Jenny and son Greg. When Ann and Harold visited us in Northern California, Ann researched our property and wrote a story of its background. Our thought and prayers to this lovely family. And to Ann an intelligent thoughtful and talented lady, blessings and peace as you walk this hard path. Your family was blessed to have had Harold. God be with you. Our thought and prayers to you all.

marion brown - November 10, 2025 at 01:43 PM

DH

“ Gwen and I offer condolences to the family. May God's Grace comfort and sustain you thru these trying times. Harold was such a gentleman, competent in his work, experienced and supported wildlife and maintained impeccable integrity, plus an avid hunter/fisherman. He will be missed by many.

Don Hanna - November 09, 2025 at 11:36 AM

SR

“ Stephen and Tracy Roberts purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Harold Frederick Christmann Jr..



Stephen and Tracy Roberts - November 07, 2025 at 02:43 PM