



John "Jack" Patrick Kriens

April 16, 1937 - March 30, 2026

John Patrick "Jack" Kriens was born on April 16, 1937, in Freeport, Illinois to Clarence and Marguerite Kriens. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1959 and was a lifelong Irish fan. Jack served in the US Army in San Antonio. He worked in banking in New York City and Puerto Rico before settling in Austin, Texas in 1970, where he worked in real estate and built a life centered on family.

Jack was a loving presence in the lives of all who knew him. He was deeply spiritual, beginning and ending every day with prayer and reflection. Jack believed in the importance of gratitude and reflected daily on his many blessings, foremost the wonderful life he built with Loretta, his wife of 26 years, spending summers at their cabin in New Mexico, gardening and tending their home in Austin, and traveling the world.

Jack is survived by his wife Loretta Smith Kriens, his daughters: Lili Kriens, Claire Hall (Patrick), and Megan Wise (Jerry) and extended family Grayson Smith (Karen) and Mark Smith (Jeanette), and his nephew, Craig Schroeder (Shannon).

Jack was a proud grandfather to Noah, Kate, Lexy, Chloe, Cullen, Tyler, Peyton, and Cole, each of whom he loved very much.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Peggy Schroeder.

A funeral with family will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Good Friday, April 3, 2026, at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings, Texas with Rev. Kent Bohls officiating. Burial will follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Covenant Presbyterian Church in Austin or to the charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

Giddings City Cemetery (Section B)

900 West Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Funeral Service

APR 3. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



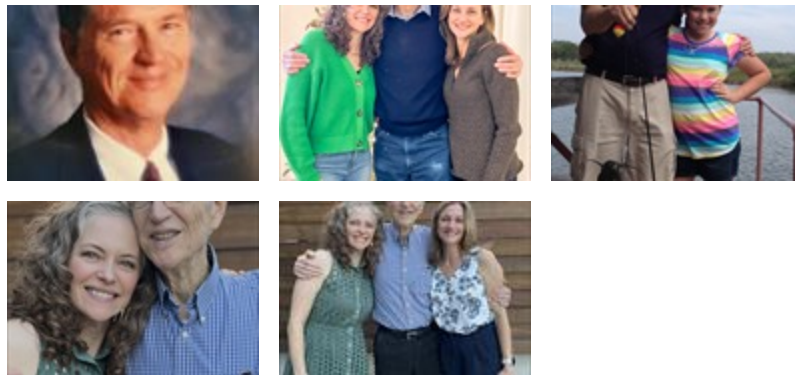
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