



Richard Kotrla Jr.

April 17, 2010

Kotrla, Richard Jerome Jr., 55 of La Marque formerly of Caldwell passed away suddenly at his residence, Saturday, April 17, 2010. Funeral Services are planned for Thursday, April 22, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home with Rev. Ray Altman and Rev. Judi Mayne officiating. The burial will follow in the Masonic Cemetery in Caldwell. The family will receive guests at the funeral home, Wednesday evening from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Richard was born August 31, 1954 in Caldwell to parents Richard J. Kotrla Sr. and Mary Ann Kristof. He was confirmed at the Brethren Church in the early 70's. During his young adult life, Richard was driving all over the state as a Relief Pulpit Pastor, some time during 3 or 4 services a day. He graduated from Caldwell High School in 1972, and attended Blinn College and was editor of the Blinn newspaper which won many awards in that time. He then earned a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism from Texas A & M University in 1976. He was a member of The New Life Fellowship Church in Texas City, and a bible study teacher with The First United Methodist Church in Kerrville. Richard loved living life to the fullest, whether it was spending time with his family or gardening, politics, or being involved with his church ministry. His passion working, with his students. He loved them and they loved him back. His personality was larger than life to those that loved him. ? Mr. Kotrla was preceded by his parents, and a brother Robert Thomas Kotrla ? Richard is survived by his wife Julie Kotrla of La Marque, by two sons and daughter-in-laws; Shaun Igo and wife Larisa of Pearland, J P Igo and wife Alexis of

Houston, a brother Claren Kotrla and wife Jean of Austin, two sisters; Joani Groce and husband Eric of Snook, Carol Ann Eubanks and husband Michael of Caldwell. two grandsons Caden and Levi Igo. Pallbearers; Eric Groce, J P Igo, Shaun Igo, Claren Kotrla, Trevor Minter, Melvin Vyvial, Honorary Pallbearers; Caden and Levi Igo of Pearland, Lamar, Matthew and Seth Groce of Snook. In lieu of flowers the family is requesting memorials be given to the Woman's Christian Job Corps of Galveston Texas 822 23rd street., Galveston, TX 77550 There will be two additional Memorial Services planned . The first will be Saturday, April 24, 2010 at 1:00p.m. at The New Life Fellowship Church in Texas City with Rev. R L Calhoun officiating. The second will be Friday, April 30, 2010 at 3:00p.m. at The First United Methodist Church in Kerrville with Rev. Ray Altman and Rev. Judi Mayne officiating.

Tribute Wall

KS

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Karen Saunders - April 23, 2010 at 12:11 PM

MT

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Matt Turner - April 22, 2010 at 08:41 AM

LM

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Linda Marshall - April 21, 2010 at 04:29 PM

NB

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Nancy Bennett - April 21, 2010 at 04:20 PM

BT

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Bobby Templeton - April 21, 2010 at 03:12 PM

SB

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Sharon Bigott - April 21, 2010 at 02:57 PM

AR

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Anne Goette, RN - April 21, 2010 at 02:47 PM

MF

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Maja Fields - April 21, 2010 at 02:41 PM

BF

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Bessie Fifer - April 21, 2010 at 02:19 PM

HV

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Holly Vogt - April 21, 2010 at 02:12 PM

SR

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Steve Rippee - April 21, 2010 at 01:43 PM

GH

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Gail Howard - April 21, 2010 at 01:38 PM

DH

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Dr. Jane D. Harris - April 21, 2010 at 01:37 PM

RM

“ *Richard Kotrla Jr.*

Rhonda McGinnis - April 19, 2010 at 01:30 PM