



Francis John Kryzwick

January 14, 1935 - April 3, 2020

Francis John Kryzwick, 85, passed away peacefully on April 3, 2020 in St. Augustine, FL. Born in Bridgeport, CT on January 14, 1935, Fran is survived by his loving wife of 58 years in marriage, Joanne Kryzwick.

After earning a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Connecticut in 1956, Fran served three years in the U.S. Air Force as a navigator flying missions in China from his base in Japan. Subsequently and back in the states, he worked as a management analyst with the U.S. Navy Underwater Sound Laboratory and Sikorsky Aircraft. In 1964 Fran managed Central Plating and Polishing in Bridgeport for eight years.

Fran had a passion for teaching, which is how he spent much of his career. He returned to school at the University of Bridgeport to earn a master's in education followed by a sixth-year degree. Fran began teaching at Holy Family School in Fairfield, CT, then started his long career in 1971 at Warren Harding High School in Bridgeport. During his 28 years at Harding, Fran taught U.S. History among other courses and later served as assistant principal. Dedicated to his profession, he served as Faculty Council President, Chairman of NEASC Accreditation Steering Committee, and organized other faculty and student activities. He was recognized by his peers as "Teacher of the Year," in 1988-89 and received the "Service Above Self Award" from the Bridgeport Rotary Club in 1989-90.

As a devoted, loving husband and caring family man, Fran's personal life spanned more than 38 years in Fairfield. Fran and Joanne were devout Catholics at Holy Family Parish, where he served in several ministries. Together, they led Emmaus and Marriage Encounter retreats for a period of five years. Fran had a kind demeanor and playful sense of humor with his family and friends. Known by many as a quiet person, he lived life with integrity and principle. With his wife by his side, they enjoyed golf, cross-country skiing, and traveling. On any given day he could be found reading historical books at home or his favorite store, Barnes-and-Noble.

Fran's parents were Albert and Sadie Kryzwick of Bridgeport, who raised five other children, Albert "Bud" Kryzwick (deceased), Thomas Kryzwick (deceased), Katherine Nemeth (San Francisco, CA), Barbara Kryzwick (Naugatuck, CT), and Greg Kryzwick (St. Petersburg, FL). In addition to his wife, Fran is survived by his three children: Francis "Frank" Kryzwick and his wife, Christine, and their children, Victoria and Kevin (Burlington, CT); Peter Kryzwick and his wife, Mary (St. Augustine, FL); Pennie Nakashima and her husband, Taka (St. Augustine, FL). He is also survived by their cousin Ken Caldana (Fairfield), and many other nieces and nephews.

Unfortunately, due to the current pandemic crisis, traditional mass and funeral services will not be offered. However, guests are invited to join the family via a live streaming prayer service at 7 pm on Wednesday, April 8 at St. Johns Family Funeral Home in St. Augustine, <https://www.facebook.com/St-Johns-Family-Funeral-Home-1275485799289411/>

In Lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Vincent De Paul Society, 282 San Marco Avenue, St. Augustine, FL 32084; or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, PO Box 50 Memphis, TN 38101-9929. A future mass and interment ceremony will be planned in Connecticut as permitted.

St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Private Services will be held

APR 8. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

ST JOHNS FAMILY FUNERAL HOME
385 State Rd 207
St. Augustine, FL 32084

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Francis John Kryzwick*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - April 08, 2020 at 12:01 PM

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“ *Cindy And Michael Colella lit a candle in memory of Francis John Kryzwick*



Cindy and Michael Colella - April 08, 2020 at 08:14 PM

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“ *Joanne,
I send to you and the family my deepest condolences. The Tribute Video and obituary were beautiful and made me feel as if I knew Fran more than the little time we were together. I will stream the service tonight and be there when you need me in CT. May he rest in peace.
Love,
Phyllis Sochrin*

Phyllis Sochrin - April 08, 2020 at 02:02 PM



“ 25 files added to the album Life Tributes



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - April 07, 2020 at 04:34 PM

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“ wouldlike to participate but i can't because of difficulty getting through.

fran was a great brother and uncle

i uses to tease him whenever cary grant was on that cary was doing his best fran kryzwick, but once again he missed his mark.

i shall miss talking about books and politices wi6h him.

i loved my brother with all my t heart and am very happy that he left us josie, fran, peter and pennie 9t .love babsie x0xo

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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Francis John Kryzwick.



April 07, 2020 at 09:51 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Francis John Kryzwick.



April 06, 2020 at 04:12 PM