



## George M. Krispinsky

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Born in Youngstown, Ohio, where he attended parochial and public schools. George's parents immigrated from Slovakia in the early 1900's. George was one of six children Frank, Katherine Boback, Joseph, Bernard and Anthony. George is survived by Anthony (Helen) Krispinsky.

In 1943, he began his military career at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and eventually was sent overseas. He docked at Belfast, Northern Ireland, then to England, France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany. He participated in five major campaigns for which he received a silver campaign star. He waited at the Elbe river for a month while the Russians took Berlin.

In December 1945, he sailed from Antwerp, Belgium on a Liberty ship and finally docked in Boston, Massachusetts and prepared for his discharge from the Army. He arrived home on Christmas Eve 1945.

He took advantage of the GI bill of rights to attend Cleveland Institute of Art - where he majored in Industrial Design. There he met Maxine Johnson and they were married in 1952. They were married for 62 years until her death on July 26, 2014. They had two children, Kathy (Edwin) McLeod and Karen Krispinsky, and two grandchildren, Edwin McLeod and Shannon (Josh)

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He continued working as an automotive styling designer for the next 36 years. His last fourteen years were spent as manager of Jeep Exterior Design at American Motors. He retired in 1987 and enjoyed playing golf, traveling, drawing and painting. He spent his remaining years at Sunrise Assisted Living in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan and at St. Anne's Mead in Southfield, Michigan. See links below, history of George' career.

<<http://www.deansgarage.com/2013/george-krispinsky-ford-amc-and-chrysler-designer/>>

<<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/arts/golden-age-american-car>>

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Kathy, our thoughts and prayers are with you and Edwin and the entire Krispinsky and McLeod families.*

*I know how difficult this loss is and with our current environment, it makes it so much harder to grieve and celebrate your Dad's life with your family and friends.*

*Your Father was a significant contributor to automotive history and will be remembered by many.*

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon him.*

*Mark McCarthy and family*

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**Mark Ryan McCarthy** - April 24, 2020 at 08:41 AM

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“ *Kathy and Karen, Pat Wierzbicki here on behalf of myself and Charlene Nutton. So sorry to hear about your dad. He and Maxine were one of the most lovely couples I knew. I enjoyed seeing and appreciating their art, especially your dad's caricatures--he did one for John when he was elected to the city commission. Charlene cherishes the ones he did of Bob and herself. I also enjoyed hearing his WWII experiences. They were very special people. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.*

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**Pat Wierzbicki** - April 20, 2020 at 01:06 PM