

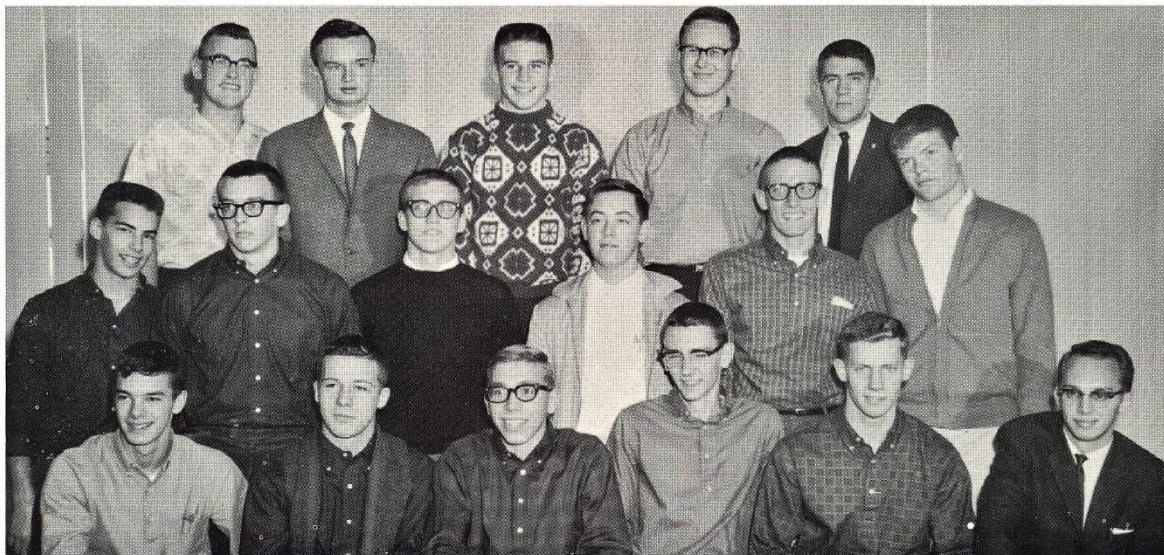
**David Henry Krause**, son of Henry (1909 Poland - 1989) and Delores Elizabeth (Pierce) (1909-1988), was born 23 March 1945, St. Joseph, Berrien County, Michigan. His father was a World War II Army veteran and retired as Chairman of the Michigan State University Engineering Department. Delores, David's mother, was a graduate of Western Michigan University in 1934 and a teacher in both Okemos and East Lansing school systems.



A 1963 graduate of Okemos High School, David furthered his education with a master's degree from

## JETS Face Challenge of Science

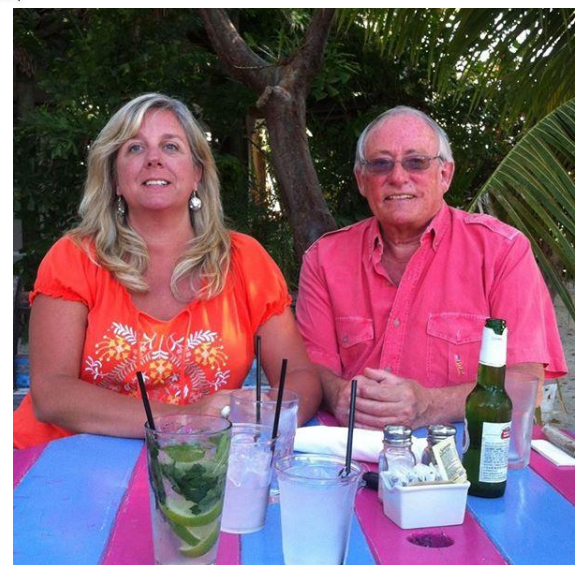
*"In Great Company", David Krause with the JETS Club, 1963 Okemos Tomahawk*



**First row:** Tom Riggs, Dick Gilbert, vice president; Bill McCloud, president; Walter Willett, secretary; Bill Nothstine, treasurer; Mr. Bjorquist, sponsor. **Second row:** Fred Schultz, Greg Young, Chuck Gaa, Ellery Cook, David Krause, Lee Meadows. **Third row:** Mark Johnson, Hans Wiegand, Bob Bratzler, Milburn Amundsen, Chris Coburn.

Michigan State University. He also honorably served as an officer in the US Army.

In 1989 David married Colleen Louise Hogan and the couple would celebrate 30 years and 2 sons together.





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**Changes coming:** Developers David Krause and Douglas Cron are planning a 64,000-square-foot building for the northeast corner of Grove and Albert streets in East Lansing.

# Developers plan high-end lofts, commercial space in E. Lansing

64,000-square foot facility might include restaurant incubator

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EAST LANSING — A proposed eight-story building would bring high-end apartments and potentially a restaurant incubator to downtown.

Developers David Krause and Douglas Cron are planning a 64,000-square-foot building for the northeast corner of Grove and Albert streets.

They're seeking site plan approval from the East Lansing Planning Commission on March 10.

"I think there's a need for more residents downtown, and the more variety you can provide the stronger the downtown is," Krause said.

The new building will house commercial space on the first floor with the other seven floors comprised of 49 loft-style apartments, Krause said.

The apartments are not targeted for a specific demographic, such as students.

The 1,100-square-foot units with two bedrooms and 1.5 baths will go for about \$1,500 to \$1,600 per month, he said.

They'll have 10-foot-tall ceilings, energy efficient appliances, covered parking and other conveniences.

"What drives the price is really



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**Construction possibility:** A proposed eight-story building would go at the northeast corner on Grove Street and Albert in downtown East Lansing. A rental house and an apartment building are now located on that site.

the location," he said.

Most apartments in the area go for less than \$1,000 per month.

But high-end two-bedroom units at The Stadium District in downtown Lansing go for \$1,060 to \$1,460 per month for 910 to 1,250 square feet. Three-bedroom, 1,205-square-foot apartments at The Hamptons in Meridian Township are \$1,685 to \$1,935 per month.

Though not specifically designed for students, Mary Elizabeth Low expects they'll want to live at the new East Lansing complex.

Low is the secretary of the Landlords of Mid-Michigan and owns six rental houses and duplexes in the East Lansing area.

"Students pay primo dollar for something that is close to campus," she said. "The young professionals aren't going to pay \$1,500 a month, it's just not there. So you know it's going to probably end up being students. Two students, \$750 a month (each), and they can walk to class."

The building's first floor could house a restaurant incubator, where five to eight restaurateurs can test their cuisine concepts and run their business with low overhead costs.

"I'm making the space available to the East Lansing Downtown

David became a well-known entrepreneur, developer-investor in the East Lansing, Michigan area. His long association with Cron Management LLC was well known.



# Development: New site planned

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Development Association if the DDA wants to undertake it," Krause said. "It's kind of an exciting idea."

Krause did not provide a project cost, but said he does plan to seek incentives through the state's Brown-field program.

He said construction could start in May 2011 if the finances come together.

The project will be a good addition to downtown, said Lori Mullins, the city's community and economic development administrator.

## WHAT'S NEXT

► **The city Planning Commission** will hold a public hearing at 7 p.m. March 10 at 54-B District Court, 101 Linden St. The commission generally does not vote on a plan until the meeting following its first review.

► **If the Planning Commission** accepts the plan, the City Council may consider approval in April.

"It'll bring more residents into the downtown....," she said. "If the restaurant incubator is able to be located there, that will be another place where we can help entrepreneurs get

started in businesses."

Krause and Cron also developed the Albert Place Condominiums on Bailey Street and Albert Avenue as well as the Stonehouse Village Apartments above the Taco Bell on Grand River Avenue and Bailey Street.

Krause and Cron own the property for the Grove Street project. A student rental house and building with six apartments and the office of Equity Vest Inc. will need to be demolished to make room for the new building. Equity Vest officials did not return requests for comment.



David died 18 August 2020. Vickers Leslie & Springport Funeral Home handled all arrangements.

*Vickers Leslie & Springport Funeral Home,  
Leslie, Michigan*

Obituary:

Family, friends, Michigan State University, and the city of East Lansing lost a wonderful man and advocate on Aug. 18th, 2020. David was born on March

23rd, 1945, to Delores and Henry Krause in St. Joseph, Mich. He graduated with a master's degree in 1970 from Michigan State University, and in 1971 he became a commissioned officer for the U.S. Army.

David was first and foremost a beloved family man. David leaves his loving wife of over 30 years, Colleen, his two sons Garrett (Lindsey) and Darren. He created many memories with his family in his lifetime, in particular his

love of travel. He explored the old world in Europe, the adventurous Rocky Mountains, the stunning cities of the East Coast, and one of his most frequented areas, the serene oceans surrounding the Florida Keys; amongst countless other locations. His love of nature was fostered as he grew up on the family farm near St. Joseph, Mich. David relished his family property, in the woods north of Kalamazoo. He could walk the property and name every species of tree and insect. His respect for nature shined through his commitment to environmental and wildlife conservation efforts locally and globally.

David was always generous, with a proud history of concentrating his efforts on his community. In particular, he focused on advancing his alma-mater of Michigan State University. He was a season ticket holder in a variety of collegiate sports for over 45 years. Among his contributions to MSU, he was most proud of establishing a scholarship endowment, in memory of his father Henry Krause. Alongside his wife, David shared his expertise with the East Lansing community, serving his community and giving his time to local committees throughout his life. David was able to leave his philanthropic mark on the community through his resourceful business ventures. He was adventurous in business as he was in life, ever expanding community and inspirational ideals.

David was an exceptional entrepreneur, beginning his work in 1974. Early on, David was an awarded Member of the Appraisal Institute of Real Estate Appraisers. His initial career began with an extensive appraisal of the Sleeping Bear Dunes State Park property acquisition. David became a developer in the East Lansing community, ensuring each project bettered the city and university he loved. David first left his mark with the Treehouse West student housing development in 1974. This ignited a passion in him that would lead to a development of 16 beautiful buildings in the area. Notably, David converted a former gas station into the Harrison Roadhouse Pub in 1981, and opened the Lansing Nuthouse Restaurant in 1996. David's final project (2017), the 565 Building, connected his love of MSU with a homage to the arts, environment, and community by incorporating reclaimed construction materials from the Broad Art Museum into the building. David's development projects will stand as a testament to his commitment to the area he chose to make home for over 50 years.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date still to be determined. For further details please visit [www.vickersfuneralhomes.com](http://www.vickersfuneralhomes.com) and sign his online guest book, leaving your name and address in the condolence section. David will continue to watch over his family, friends, and his Michigan State Spartans! GO GREEN! Arrangements entrusted to Vickers Leslie Funeral Home, 109 N. Church Street/P.O. Box 503, Leslie, MI, 49251. 517-878-6600.

Thanks to Al Hopkins '63 for letting us know. Okemos Alumni Association.