



## Bernice Ruth Brinkman

January 9, 1932 - November 7, 2019

Funeral services for Bernice Brinkman, 87, of Lincoln, Texas are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at St. John Lutheran Church in Lincoln with Rev. Dale Bohm officiating. Burial will follow in the St. James Lutheran Cemetery in Lexington. Visitation will be held on Monday, November 11, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Monday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Bernice Ruth (Matthijetz) Brinkman was born on January 9, 1932 in Giddings, Texas to Ernest and Rosalie (Schewart) Matthijetz. She was baptized on January 24, 1932 by Rev. Reinhard Osthoff and confirmed on March 25, 1945 by Rev. H.A. Stroebel at St. John Lutheran Church in Lincoln. Bernice graduated from Giddings High School in 1949. She married August Brinkman on September 12, 1964 at St. James Lutheran Church in Lexington. She worked as the secretary for Brinkman Chevrolet in Lexington for many years. Bernice was a member of St. James Lutheran Church and was a part of their LWML Ladies Aid group. After moving to Lincoln, she joined St. John Lutheran Church. She spent many quiet moments reading and quilting. Her favorite music to listen to was Polka and she loved to dance. Galveston and Rockport were the places she liked to travel to when she had the chance. She enjoyed talking to her family and friends on the phone.

Bernice passed away the evening of Thursday, November 7, 2019 at St. Joseph Regional Health Center in Bryan.

Bernice is preceded in death by her parents, Ernest and Rosalie; husband, August Brinkman; special friend, Eddie Marburger; grandson, Brandon Hess, and two sisters, Edna Moore and Amy Pender.

She is survived by her two sons, Ernest "Mutt" & Natalee Cherico of Lexington and Terry Cherico of Giddings; three grandchildren, Melissa & Harry Troutman of Rockdale, Christopher & Josie Cherico of Caldwell, and Ricky & Laura Cherico of Caldwell; five great grandchildren, Christian Hess of Lexington, Rhett Troutman of Rockdale, Caleb Cherico of Caldwell, Cameron Cherico of Caldwell, and Dakota Cherico of Caldwell; sister, Janie Hart of La Grange; brother, Eugene & Karen Matthijetz of Hills; brother-in-law, Wayne Pender of North Carolina, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to a local humane society, St. Jude Children's Hospital, or to the charity of one's choice.

# Cemetery Details

## St. James Lutheran Cemetery

County Road 326  
Lexington, TX 78947

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 11. 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Family Present for Visitation

NOV 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

NOV 12. 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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

## Church Service

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NOV 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church of Lincoln  
1012 Private Road 8012  
Giddings, TX 78942-9263

# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bernice Ruth Brinkman*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - November 10, 2019 at 02:56 PM

JN

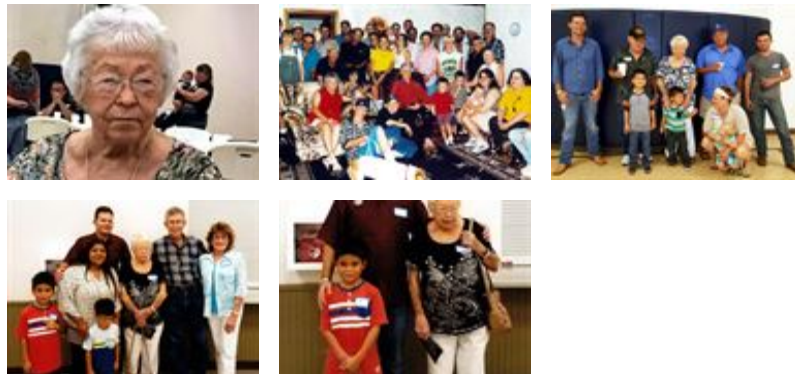
“ *Janie Hart, thoughts and prayers are with you in the loss of you sister.*  
*Jo Ann Nelson*



Jo Ann Nelson - November 11, 2019 at 05:02 PM



“ *41 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - November 10, 2019 at 02:48 PM

JS

“ *Janice Schneider sent a virtual gift in memory of Bernice Ruth Brinkman*



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**Janice Schneider** - November 10, 2019 at 11:33 AM

JS

“ *Our Prayers and thoughts are with you. Hugs are sent your way.*  
*Gary and Janice Schneider*



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**Janice Schneider** - November 10, 2019 at 11:32 AM

HF

“ *Horace Hamilton & Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Bernice Ruth Brinkman.*



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**Horace Hamilton & Family** - November 10, 2019 at 11:05 AM

CB

“ *Thinking of you at this time and uplifting you in prayer. Thank you all especially Mrs Bernice for loving and helping Wayne when Amy died. We love you! Your family and friends in Chesterfield, SC - The Pender Family: Gerald, Dot, Cindy, John, Pres, Shelia, Ricky, and Walker*



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**Cindy P Beard** - November 09, 2019 at 06:32 PM

TS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. She was a bright light in all our lives.* ”



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**Travis Schiwart** - November 09, 2019 at 10:26 AM

BF

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with your family. David, Joanne Tally and Samuel Bergsten* ”



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**Bergsten Family** - November 08, 2019 at 05:25 PM