



Bernie Lee Miertschin

April 15, 1946 - January 31, 2019

Funeral services for Bernie Miertschin, 72, of Giddings, Texas, are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 3, 2019 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin with Rev. John Schmidt officiating. Burial, with military honors provided by the Giddings American Legion York Post 276, will immediately follow in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held on Saturday, February 2, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Sunday, February 3, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Saturday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Bernie Lee Miertschin was born on April 15, 1946 in Smithville, Texas to Marvin Edmund and Clara Minnie (Kasper) Miertschin. He was baptized on April 21, 1946 by Rev. J.W. Jackson at Grace Lutheran Church in Smithville, Texas. On April 10, 1960, Bernie was confirmed at Grace Lutheran Church in Smithville. His confirmation verse was Romans 8:32, "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?" Bernie served in the US Army from May 29, 1963 until April 19, 1966. He was united in marriage to Frances Becker on November 23, 1967 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin, Texas by Rev. Ewald Recks. They had two sons, Christopher and Brian. Bernie began working at Marhil Manufacturing in Smithville before moving to Austin where he worked for Boice Iron Works, Reichhold Chemicals and retired as a maintenance mechanic for the State of Texas at the Austin State School. After moving back

to Giddings, Bernie worked at Walmart in Giddings for several years. He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin where he had helped with the church's annual picnic and a member of the Giddings American Legion York Post 276 where he helped with the annual barbeque. His hobbies included hunting, fishing and cooking. He also enjoyed welding which he referred to as "working with ornamental iron".

Bernie passed away the morning of Thursday, January 31, 2019 at his home in Giddings following a battle with cancer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marvin and Clara Miertschin; three brothers, Larry Mierstschin, Archie Miertschin and Ray Miertschin and two brothers-in-law, Terry Dowling and James Becker.

Bernie is survived by his wife, Frances Miertschin of Giddings; two sons and daughters-in-law, Christopher & Penny Miertschin of Amarillo, and Brian & Anna Miertschin of Lexington; six grandchildren, Christopher Miertschin Jr. and his husband, Jair of Salina, KS, Duncan Miertschin of Amarillo, Meaghan Miertschin of Amarillo, Samantha Miertschin of Amarillo, James Miertschin of Lexington, and Sara Miertschin of Lexington; one sister, Joyce Dowling of Giddings; his brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Marilyn Miertschin of Serbin, Darlene Becker of Smithville, Dennis & Elaine Boettcher of Lexington, Harold & Gladys Mathena of Houston, Wayne & Tamshaw Becker of Round Rock and Glenn & Denise Becker of Victoria as well as several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Serving as pallbearers will be Kenny Miertschin, Billy Miertschin, Keith Miertschin, James Miertschin, Rick Miertschin and Kerry Becker. Honorary pallbearers will be Shannon Miertschin, Sherri Yurk and Wesley Yurk.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin or to the

charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery of Serbin

1572 County Road 211
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Family Present for Visitation

FEB 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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3950 East Austin Street
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Visitation

FEB 3. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin St.
Giddings, TX 78942
(979) 542-3113
phillipsluckey@yahoo.com
<https://www.phillipsandluckey.com/>

Church Service

FEB 3. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church of Serbin
1572 County Road 211
Giddings, TX 78942
<http://stpaulserbin.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bernie Lee Miertschin*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - February 01, 2019 at 11:38 PM

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“ *Our sincere sympathy to all Mr. Miertschin's family. We didn't know of his passing until after the funeral service. He was always a "bright spot" in my day when he was still at WalMart. Always so sweet and friendly, along with a joke to tell and always spoke of his family. May God's love, comfort, and peace be with you now and in the days to come.*

Sheriff Rodney and Melanie Meyer

Melanie Meyer - February 11, 2019 at 12:27 PM

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“ *I had the pleasure of working with Bernie at the Austin State School. He was truly the kindest man I ever met. I have macular degeneration, and my first two attempts to tell the family what a special man Bernie was were full of errors. I was very saddened to hear of his passing. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Blessings, Peggy Phillips*

Peggy Phillips - February 03, 2019 at 06:34 AM

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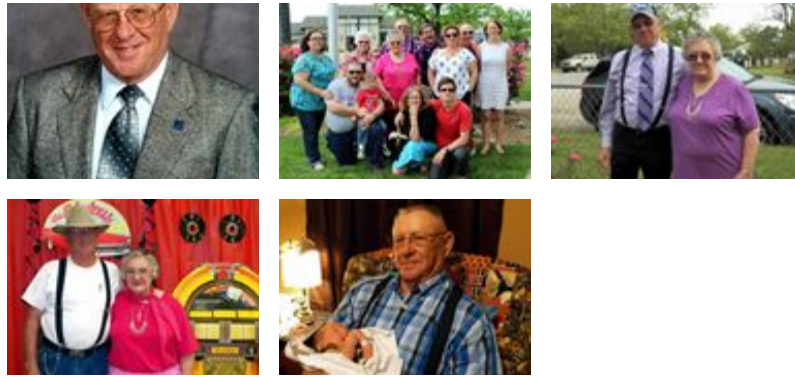
“ Patsy Steglich lit a candle in memory of Bernie Lee Miertschin



Patsy Steglich - February 02, 2019 at 08:08 PM



“ 53 files added to the album Life Tributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - February 01, 2019 at 10:26 PM

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“ The Chapa and Carreon Families, Corpus Christi, TX purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bernie Lee Miertschin.



The Chapa and Carreon Families, Corpus Christi, TX -
February 01, 2019 at 09:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bernie Lee Miertschin.*



February 01, 2019 at 06:05 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear about Bernie's death. Our sympathies to the family. May God comfort you at this time of sorrow.*

Dianna and Clarence Mitschke

Dianna Mitschke - February 01, 2019 at 04:44 PM



Mr. Bernie was a very good man. He was an wonderful grandpa to James and Sara. We are so blessed that he welcomed Anna into his family when she married Brian. He will be dearly missed. We pray for peace, comfort and love for the family as they grieve this wonderful husband, father, grandfather & friend. We rejoice knowing he is no longer in pain or suffering and enjoying everlasting life in heaven. Love & peace, Bill & Toni Miller

Toni Miller - February 02, 2019 at 04:45 PM



“ *Chrissy B. purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Bernie Lee Miertschin.*



Chrissy B. - February 01, 2019 at 04:08 PM



“ *Bernie was always the fun loving comedian - Always had a corny joke to put a smile on your face or an exaggerated eye-roll. Always one to give hugs, back slaps and handshakes. He will be missed by the entire family.*

Chrissy Becker - February 01, 2019 at 03:54 PM