



Betty Busshart Goodson

June 7, 1938 - February 7, 2026

Betty Jane Busshart Goodson, of Giddings, Texas, passed away on Saturday, February 7, 2026, at the age of 87.

Betty was a daughter, wife, mother, aunt, great aunt, godmother, grandmother, great-grandmother and dear friend. She was “Mimi” to her grands and her caregivers.

Betty was born on June 7, 1938, in Baytown, Texas, to L.E. Busshart and Jeanie (Tate) Busshart. She was the youngest of three children. She graduated from Conroe High School and attended Sam Houston State University just long enough to meet the love of her life, John Goodson.

In 1958, John and Betty married. Together they raised two children, Toye and Mark. When the children were older, Betty assisted John at the original Goodson Lumber Company. She responded with grace and a smile when he introduced her to new sales reps and customers as his “first wife.”

Betty loved going anywhere with John—chili cookoffs, hunting trips, Mexico, Las Vegas and more than a few sketchy places. She was a loving mother and took pride in their home. She was a member of the Giddings Study Club, a regular bridge player, a patron of the Giddings Public Library and took an interest in researching her Busshart family history (before computers).

With support from family and friends, Betty ran as a write-in candidate for Giddings City Council in 1975, and became the first woman elected to the council.

When John died tragically in 1986, she was a model of stoicism and strength. She moved from town to the cabin in the country that John and friends had built. She loved her home by the fishing pond, and always had corn to feed the ducks and donkey.

Betty was thrilled with the birth of her first grandchild, Morgan, and took care of her while Mark and wife Patti worked at the lumber yard. Later, she looked forward to hunting with her grandson Cody and going out to eat with her youngest granddaughter Madison.

She was always eager to go with friends to antique sales, casinos to play the slots and out to eat Mexican food.

Betty is survived by her daughter, Toye Goodson (husband Jim Collins); son, Mark Goodson (wife Patti Wachsmann Goodson); grandchildren Morgan Goodson Luna (husband Jaime Luna), Cody Goodson (fiancé Danielle Novak and her son Myles) and Madison Goodson; and great-grandchildren Slater, Scarlett and Sage Luna.

Betty's family is grateful to those who lovingly cared for her:

Charlene Mutschink's A Perfect Way caregivers Alma, Amanda, Brittany, Christi, Erin and Tiffany;

JOL Healthcare professionals Aaliyah, Angelo, Ashley, Emily, Heather, Jackie, Lindsay, Sara and Terika;

Oakland Manor Nursing Home (now Avir) staff members Dana, Donny, Evangela, Heather, Jennifer, Jo, Kay, Lani, LaShonda, Rita and Wendy.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, from 7:00 am until 8:00 pm and on Thursday, February 12, 2026, from 7:00 am until 8:00 am at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home, 3950 E. Austin St. in Giddings, Texas. The family will be present for visitation Wednesday evening from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm. A graveside service will be held on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 10:00 am, at the Giddings Memorial Park in Giddings with Tim Pitts officiating.

Memorial gifts may be made to your local volunteer fire department or the Lee County Sheriff's Posse, P.O. Box 132, Giddings 78942.

Cemetery Details

Giddings Memorial Park

900 West Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 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

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

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Graveside Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Betty Busshart Goodson*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - February 09 at 05:55 PM

JS

Betty was a beautiful lady and I will always remember her smile. May God bless Mark and Patti and all those that love, Betty.

Jeanette Schramm - February 10 at 11:11 AM

JS

With sincere deep sympathy. Love, Jeanette.

Jeanette Schramm - February 10 at 11:15 AM

CS

“ *We are so sorry for your loss.
Love, David, Carol, and Christopher Schulz*



carol schulz - February 13 at 02:03 PM

SM

“ I am so sorry to learn about the loss of your Mom. I remember many good times with her and your Dad. All your family are in my prayers.
Sharon

SHARON MOORE - February 13 at 11:40 AM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Betty Busshart Goodson.



February 11 at 10:35 AM

WM

“ With Love, Basil and Terri McCallister planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty Busshart Goodson.

With Love, Basil and Terri McCallister - February 11 at 10:35 AM

RS

“ You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Rebecca Sherrill - February 11 at 08:56 AM

DE

“ I have such fond memories of both your parents. And now they are together again. Peace & strength to Toye & Mark and their families. Much love from Denise, Marty, & Sammi

Denise - February 09 at 05:50 PM



“ 96 files added to the album Life Tributes



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