



## Betty Jean Jenke

September 23, 1937 - April 26, 2024

Funeral services for Betty Jean Jenke, 86, of Lincoln, Texas are scheduled for Tuesday, April 30, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Manheim, Texas with Rev. Thomas Obersat officiating. Visitation will be held on Monday, April 29, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, April 30, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings, Texas. The family will be present for visitation on Monday from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Betty was born on September 23, 1937 at her parent's home in the rural area of Lincoln to Minnie (Walther) Boettcher and Paul Boettcher. She was baptized on October 3, 1937 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lincoln by Rev. R. Osthoff. Her baptismal verse was from Mark 10:14 – "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God." Betty Attended the parochial school in Fedor, Texas and was confirmed April 6, 1952 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fedor, Texas by Rev. L. Karcher. Her confirmation verse was from John 8:31 & 32 – "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." She married the love of her life Emil Jenke on December 26, 1955 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lincoln by Rev. H. Hartfield. To this union they were blessed with two children Garry Jenke (1958) and Brian Jenke (1962). Betty lived on the farm in the Manheim Community as a wife, mother and granny. She worked with her husband in the fields; caring for the

cattle, building and repairing fences, drying peanuts, and cooking for many including the hired help on the farm. She enjoyed baking cookies, cakes, desserts, and sharing with her children and grandchildren. She was always there to babysit the grandsons. She enjoyed going to their school activities, especially Seth's band concerts and Shane's ball games. She enjoyed their friends when they came to play games, dominoes, music or just visit. She took pleasure in listening to the CR 114 Band, as well as the other bands in which Seth played the drums or guitar. She enjoyed watching Shane play high school football except that it frightened her that he might get injured.

She served as a Sunday School Secretary, LWML member of which she was Secretary, Treasurer, Christian Growth member and other various committees over the years, mostly on the Welfare Committee. She prepared tea, coffee, cakes, cookies and sandwiches for many at funerals as well as helping to serve. Additionally, she helped serve at the Nursing Home Birthday Parties. She kept the accounting and tax records for their farm, ranch, welding shop and peanut drying business. She filed all tax returns on her own. She would undoubtedly have become a Certified Public Accountant if she had the opportunity of a high school and college education. Her hard work and sacrifice allowed her youngest son to succeed at this. The Psalms were her favorite Bible readings. She also enjoyed poetry, both reading and writing it. She wrote some poems and had them published in a book of poetry.

Betty passed away the morning of Friday, April 26, 2024 at Harmony Care Nursing Home in Giddings

She is preceded in death by her parents, Paul and Minnie Bottcher; husband, Emil W. Jenke; parents-in-law, Walter and Lena Jenke; son, Garry Jenke; sister, Lillie and husband Albert Behrend; brother, Freddy Boettcher and wife Rosalie, and Rudy Boettcher.

Betty is survived by her son, Brian Jenke and wife Kari of Crowley; grandsons,

Seth Jenke and wife Courtney of Lincoln, and Shane Jenke and wife Kourtney of Fort Worth; daughter-in-law, Darlene Jenke of Manheim; great grandchildren, Eli Jenke and Emberlyn Jenke of Lincoln, Kolter Jenke of Fort Worth, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Memorials may be made to the Manheim Parrish Hall Fund or to the charity of one's choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Ebenezer Lutheran Cemetery-Manheim

4146 West Highway 21  
Paige, TX 78659

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

APR **29**. 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Family Present for Visitation

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## Funeral Service

APR 30. 10:00 AM (CT)

Ebenezer Lutheran Church  
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manheim@zochnet.com

# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Betty Jean Jenke*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - April 27, 2024 at 12:16 PM

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“ *We are so sorry for your loss! May the Holy Spirit comfort you and God bless you!*



kathy and Robert Neal - April 29, 2024 at 08:58 PM

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“ *Amid our tears, O Lord, we praise You that You have received Betty Jean to Yourself in glory for all eternity.*

*I remember Betty Jean's yummy chicken fried steak. She was such an attentive host. Brian, Kari, I am saying prayers for comfort for the whole family.*

*Love, Your sister, Debbie*

Debbie Traver - April 27, 2024 at 01:21 PM



“ *The Traver Family purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Betty Jean Jenke.*



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**The Traver Family** - April 27, 2024 at 01:13 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Jenke.*



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April 27, 2024 at 12:46 PM



“ *57 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home** - April 27, 2024 at 12:06 PM

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“ *My deepest condolences to Betty Jean’s family! Betty Jean was the sweetest, most gracious and beautiful lady. My family loved spending time with her and Emil! God bless you in your time of mourning.*

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**Cathy Gruetzner** - April 26, 2024 at 06:52 PM