



Dorothy Ann Birnbaum

December 6, 1941 - August 5, 2015

Funeral services for Dorothy Birnbaum, 73 of Fedor, Texas, are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 10, 2015 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Giddings with Rev. Jonathan Meyer and Rev. Robert Tiner officiating. Burial will immediately follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Sunday, August 9, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Monday, August 10, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Sunday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Dorothy Ann (Schwartz) Birnbaum was born on December 6, 1941 in Fedor, Texas to Vernon O. & Martha S. (Jenke) Schwartz. She was baptized on December 14, 1941 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Fedor by Rev. A.F. Michalk and confirmed on April 14, 1957 also at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church by Rev. Ludwig Karcher. Her confirmation verse was Genesis 15:1, "Do not be afraid...I am your shield, your very great reward." Dorothy graduated from Lexington High School and attended Blinn College. She was united in marriage to Franklin Edgar Birnbaum on June 9, 1962 at Holy Trinity Lutheran church in Fedor by Rev. August Horn and Rev. Andrew Szegedin. Their marriage text was Matthew 28:20b, "And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age." Their marriage was blessed with four children, Ryan, Fay, David and Kristy. She and Frank made their home in Fedor. They and their family owned and operated Leesure Lanes and B & B Auto and Farm in

Giddings. She also worked for the Lee County Peanut Company for several years and retired from the Texas Department of Public Safety in Austin in 2011. She was an active member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Fedor where she served as the treasurer for the LWML/Ladies Aid. She also volunteered with the Lutheran Braille Workers. She enjoyed sewing, playing scrabble on her computer, working on genealogy, taking care of her dogs and participating in various activities at her beloved church. She was happiest when she was spending time with her family and friends.

Dorothy passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at her home in Fedor.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Vernon & Martha Schwartz; her husband, Frank Birnbaum; her son, Ryan Birnbaum; her two brothers, Gilbert Schwartz and one in infancy; two brothers-in-law, Wilbert Birnbaum Sr. & his wife, Emily and LeRoy Birnbaum and three sisters-in-law, Doris Woelfel & her husband, Clarence, Frances Baylor and Margaret Birnbaum.

Dorothy is survived by her three children, Fay & Gary Iselt of Giddings, David & Julie Birnbaum of Ponca City, OK and Kristy & Jason Kauffman of Fedor; nine grandchildren, Heather Birnbaum of Giddings, Hope & Glen Phoenix of Ledbetter, Justin Rodriguez of Fedor, Jacob, Madison and Noah Birnbaum of Ponca City, OK and DaCota, Cade & Chesney Kauffman of Fedor; two great grandchildren, Keelyn Tatum of Giddings and Halle Birnbaum-Phoenix of Ledbetter; four step-grandchildren, Amy Martinez of Giddings, Chris Martinez of Bryan, Justin Iselt of Giddings and Amanda Iselt of Bellville; three brothers-in-law, Isdell Birnbaum Sr. & his wife, Olivia of Spring, Allen Birnbaum & his wife, Alice of Manheim and Robert Baylor of Huntsville as well as numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends and her church family at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Serving as pallbearers will be Justin Rodriguez, Justin Iselt, Jacob Birnbaum, DaCota Kauffman, Cade Kauffman, Chester Jatzlau and Chad Jatzlau.

Memorials may be made to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church of Fedor, P.O. Box 247, Lexington, Texas 78947-0247 or to the charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

Giddings City Cemetery

900 West Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 9. 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

AUG 10. 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM (CT)

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Church Service

AUG **10**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church
300 North Grimes Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dorothy Ann Birnbaum*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - August 08, 2015 at 04:12 PM

MW

*In loving memory of Dorothy. She was such a sweet lady and co-worker at DPS. It was a sad day when we were told she was retiring. I have a lot of fond memories of her. I'll never the Halloween she dressed up as Dorothy from the Wizard of OZ and the wonderful mandarin orange cakes she used to bring to work to share with us! Rest in peace Dorothy....you are with Frank once again. Love you!
Mary Winslett*

Mary Winslett - August 08, 2015 at 07:14 PM

DM

What a beautiful tribute. I never had the privilege of meeting your mother but have heard so much about her and her loving, caring nature. That's so very obvious by the pictures with family members in the tribute. She obviously was a special woman and loved by many. I know she will be greatly missed. Prayers for the family.

Deborah Mayer - August 10, 2015 at 01:03 AM

CD

“ Dorothy Ann "Ann" to me was the "older cousin" that I so admired as a child. As a teenager she would lovingly play with her "little cousin". How honored I was to be a Junior Bridesmaid in her wedding. During our last visit together this past fall she took me on a historic tour of Fedor. A sweet journey down memory lane. She was so kind and thoughtful to my Mother, Frances, by making sure that she was always up-to-date on the "Fedor News". I will truly miss her presence her on earth, but I was blessed by God to have her as a part of my life.

Now dear family I will keep you in my prayers as you continue your life journeys.

Cathy Domann DeVries

Cathy DeVries - August 10, 2015 at 10:44 PM

MW

“ Mark Wachsmann lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann Birnbaum



Mark Wachsmann - August 10, 2015 at 01:02 PM

MS

“ Michelle Schuetz lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann Birnbaum



Michelle Schuetz - August 10, 2015 at 10:03 AM

MS

Fa, David and Kristy, I am so sorry for loss of your mom. Our and prayers are with you and your families today and the days ahead. Remember we have a special angel watching and taking care of us all. May God give you all strength, comfort and peace. Hugs and love you to all!

Michelle, Cody, Cooper, and Alex Schuetz

Michelle Schuetz - August 10, 2015 at 10:05 AM

CA

“ *Dorothy was a wonderful lady. She was always ready to help with a cheerful smile and patients. She will surely be missed. To her family, praying you find comfort and peace in your time of sorrow. God Bless.*

Charlotte Adams - August 09, 2015 at 03:04 PM

ER

“ *My condolences to your family. My best memories were she was very sweet, nice and had a natural laugh. She sometimes gave me sound advice when we had time to chat. Heaven has another angel. RIP. Elizabeth from CO*

Elizabeth Rodriguez - August 08, 2015 at 05:56 PM



“ 28 files added to the album Life Tributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - August 08, 2015 at 04:03 PM

CM

“ I worked with Dorothy at DPS and I remember the Halloween she dressed up as Dorothy from the wizard of oz and I was the Witch that year. She was a great friend to work with. My thoughts and prayers are with her family in this great time of sorrow. I will never forget working with her. Carol Morrill

Caroline Morrill - August 08, 2015 at 03:48 PM

DZ

“ Kristy - we did not know your Mom but she sure raised a sweet daughter - and I'm sure a good mother. Thinking of you and your family.

Dennis and Wanda Zwernemann

Dennis & Wanda Zwernemann - August 08, 2015 at 03:39 PM

PB

“ My dear sweet beautiful Dorothy!! I will miss our text messages & our phone conversations. While I worked at DPS, we enjoyed coffee together - precious memories that no one can ever take from me! I cried on your shoulder when my mother passed away & when my boyfriend passed away. You cried on my shoulder when your husband passed away. We shared family memories & showed off our pictures. You were so kind & thoughtful to me - I will always & forever love you!!

To the lovely Birnbaum family - Dorothy was a diamond, she was a pearl, she was a sapphire ... Dorothy was the most magnificent of the rarest of jewels in God's treasure chest!!! Her heart was as huge as the universe, her love was as deep as the Grand Canyon, her smile was broader than the Man in the Moon's! There will never be an end to the love & the kindness & the beauty of Dorothy Birnbaum!!! She will forever be in your hearts!!! With love & prayers,
Peggy Burghardt

Peggy Burghardt - August 08, 2015 at 08:21 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorothy Ann Birnbaum.



August 08, 2015 at 12:11 AM

JA

“ We were so saddened to learn of Dorothy's death. She was a sweet, dear 'cousin' and we will miss her. May the Lord comfort all of you family at this time of difficulty.

Blessings and Love,

John and Mary Ann

John and Mary Ann - August 07, 2015 at 09:00 PM

 Tracy Griffin

“ So sorry for your loss, your mother was a lovely woman-Tracy Griffin



Tracy Griffin - August 07, 2015 at 07:34 PM

WB

“ Fay, David & Kristy and families

We are so sorry for your loss. Aunt Dorothy was a wonderful woman. She would never pass you by without talking to you. Always enjoyed spending time with her. May the Lord bless you, give you strength, comfort, and peace.

Wilbert & Bobbi (Bobbi Sue)



Wilbert & Bobbi Birnbaum - August 07, 2015 at 08:21 AM

LC

“ *Linda Cook lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Ann Birnbaum*



Linda Cook - August 07, 2015 at 08:11 AM

DV

“ *Faye*
Your mom was such a joy to know. She always had a kind word and a smile for everybody she met. She will be missed. Gods Blessings
Peter and Denise Veldhuisen

Denise and Peter Veldhuisen - August 06, 2015 at 04:15 PM

KB

“ *Fay, David & Kristy, I know for certain that we never lose the people we love, even in death. They continue to share in every act, thought and decision we make. Dorothy's love leaves an unforgettable imprint in your spirits that will provide comfort and last an eternity.*



Kelli Sue Beasley - August 06, 2015 at 09:44 AM

GF

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of loss. Dorothy will be greatly missed. She always had a smile on her face when you would see her in town. May God be with each of you everyday. Garry & Darlene Jenke & Family*



Garry & Darlene Jenke & Family - August 06, 2015 at 09:19 AM