



Edwin "Ed" Julius Lerche

April 22, 1922 - August 27, 2011

Funeral services for Edwin "Ed" Lerche, 89 of Lexington, Texas are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 30, 2011 at St. James Lutheran Church in Lexington with Rev. Leif Hasskarl officiating. Burial will follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Monday, August 29, 2011 from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and Tuesday, August 30, 2011 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The Lerche family will be present for visitation Monday evening from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Mr. Lerche passed away the morning of Saturday, August 27, 2011 at Scott & White Hospital in Temple, Texas. Edwin Julius Lerche was born on April 22, 1922 in Fedor, Texas to Julius & Ernestine (Kaiser) Lerche. He was baptised on May 7, 1922 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fedor by Rev. W.M. Seidel. He attended school at Trinity Lutheran in Fedor and was confirmed there on April 8, 1936 by Rev. Michalk. Ed was united in marriage to Ruby Exner on February 9, 1944 at St. John Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Texas by Rev. R. Osthoff. He formed Lerche Construction in Austin in the early 1960's. Later he moved his family to Elgin, Texas where he built Lerche & Sons Rodeo Co. and Arena. He retired in 1990 and moved to Lexington, Texas. Following Ruby's death in 1993, Ed married Della Biehle of Houston on August 1, 1997 at St. James Lutheran Church in Lexington with Rev. Wayne Schumpe officiating. He continued with his passion of ranching and agriculture until his death. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Ruby; three brothers and four sisters. Survivors include his wife Della Lerche of Lexington; children, Carol &

husband, Don Hurst of Paige, Lois & husband, Dennis Turner of Elgin, Marcus & wife, Lavonna Lerche of Lexington, Ray & wife, Kim Lerche of Paige and Sharon & husband, Jerald Meuth of Lexington; grandchildren, Matt & wife, Andrea Hurst of Paige, Amy & husband, Stephen Turner of Webberville, Dale Ray Lerche of Lexington, Jaclyn Turner of Elgin, Ty and Lane Lerche of Paige and Logan, W.E. and Tanner Meuth of Lexington; great grandchildren, Matthew and Kate Hurst of Elgin, Chase and Kynley Hurst of Paige, Avery, Peyton and Brylie Turner of Webberville and Alli Berry of Elgin; his step children, Dale and husband, William Kimmey of College Station and Jennifer and husband, Brian Pletcher of Huffmann; step grandchildren, Andrea and husband, Eric Barton of Baytown and Gregory and wife, Gina Pletcher of Huffman; step great grandchildren, Ryan and Cade Barton of Baytown as well as many nieces and nephews. Serving as pallbearers will be Morris Simank, Larry Lerche, Mike Gruetzner, Charlie Seggren, Bob Long and Rodney Exner. Honorary pallbearers will be Mr. Lerche's grandsons, Matt Hurst, Dale Ray Lerche, Ty Lerche, Lane Lerche, Logan Meuth, W.E. Meuth and Tanner Meuth. Memorials may be made to the St. James Lutheran Church Building Fund, the St. James Lutheran Church Video Fund, Scott & White Hospice or the charity of one's choice.

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Roger Exner - September 08, 2011 at 12:13 PM
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