



Eleanor "Ellie" Meta Friedrich

July 9, 1921 - May 13, 2011

Eleanor (Ellie) Meta Schneider Friedrich passed away at St. David's Hospital in Austin on the evening of Friday, May 13, 2011. She was 89 years of age. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18, 2011 at St. John Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Texas with Rev. Dale Bohm officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held Tuesday from 1:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The Friedrich family will be present for visitation Tuesday evening from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Eleanor was a dear and devoted Mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother. Eleanor was strong in her faith in the Lord and strong in her reliance on the Lord to cope with all of the physical ailments she endured for so many years. She reigns peacefully and joyfully without pain now in the loving arms of Jesus Christ in her new home called Heaven. Eleanor was born on July 9, 1921 in Fedor, Texas on the family farm to parents Oscar & Ida (Herzog) Schneider. She was baptized on July 22, 1921 by Pastor Liegenhiemer and confirmed on April 14, 1935 by Pastor Michalk at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fedor, Texas. At the age of 16, Eleanor went to Houston to work as a maid and nanny for many years. During the summer months, she would return home to help the family on their farm. She married her sweetheart, Edgar Friedrich, on November 24, 1946 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fedor. This union was blessed with four children. Difficult times and the special needs of the family brought Eleanor and her husband Edgar to Houston. In 1965, she

went to work for Houston ISD as a cafeteria employee and retired in 1978 due to health reasons. She was a devoted member of Messiah Lutheran Church in Houston. She moved back to Lee County with her husband, Edgar upon his retirement and remained there until her death. She was a faithful member of St. John Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Texas. Eleanor was a supporter and contributor to many charities, missions, and organizations. Eleanor's greatest joys and expressions of her love were shown through her cooking, gardening and sewing. She will be dearly missed by her family and remembered for her strength, perseverance, importance of family and her faith. Eleanor was preceded in death by her husband, Edgar Friedrich; parents, Oscar & Ida Schneider; sister, Betty Boes; grandchild, Caleb Friedrich; brothers-in-law, Daniel Friedrich, Melvin Boes, Freddy Handrick, Martin Melcher, Eldor Umlang and Fred Melcher and sisters-in-law, Corine Friedrich and Adella Friedrich. She is survived by sons, Calvin Friedrich and his wife, Cynthia of Houston and Glenn Friedrich and his wife Martha of Houston; daughters, Jane Jatzlau and her husband Walter of Giddings and Lanelle Bryant of Giddings; by grandchildren and their families, Kenneth Jatzlau of Cypress, Stephanie Case and husband James and son Damian of Houston, Sara Huff and husband Carter and daughter Iris of Austin, Michelle Fisher of Houston, Jeffrey Jatzlau of Giddings, Chad Sykes and Jennifer Haney and children Eiley Sykes and Kaelan Sykes of North Houston; sisters, Frieda and Howard Boriack of Lincoln, Meta Melcher of Houston, Elsie Handrick of Georgetown, Lorine Melcher of Temple and Delories & Donny Shannon of Arlington; brother, Williebald Schneider of Lincoln; brother-in-law, David Friedrich of Giddings and many nieces and nephews. Serving as pallbearers will be Kenneth Jatzlau, Jeffrey Jatzlau, James Case, Michael Melcher, Jarvis Boriack and Barney Handrick. Donations or memorials may be given to St. John Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Jesus Lutheran Church of the Deaf in Austin, Holy Three in One Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Houston, the Heart Association, the Diabetes or Kidney Foundation or the Lutheran Witness. Heartfelt thanks for all the calls and caring words and gifts of food and other things for the family

during this difficult time. Special thanks to Pastor Bohm for his visits with Eleanor and encouraging words for the family and to her doctors for their care over the years.

Tribute Wall

BW

“ Eleanor "Ellie" Meta Friedrich

Barbara Wilson - May 17, 2011 at 01:00 PM

LF

“ Eleanor "Ellie" Meta Friedrich

Linda Friedrich - May 17, 2011 at 11:02 AM

DG

“ Eleanor "Ellie" Meta Friedrich

Debbie Gill - May 16, 2011 at 09:14 AM

DA

“ Eleanor "Ellie" Meta Friedrich

Debra Ahlhorn - May 16, 2011 at 09:10 AM

AB

“ Eleanor "Ellie" Meta Friedrich

annette berry - May 16, 2011 at 01:39 AM

BJ

“ Eleanor "Ellie" Meta Friedrich

Barbara holder jatzlau - May 15, 2011 at 10:37 PM