



Ernst Delbert Rackel

March 3, 1935 - June 8, 2016

Funeral Services for Ernst Delbert Rackel, 81, of Houston, are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 11, 2016 at Philips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings with Ricky Spacek officiating. Burial will follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Friday, June 10, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Saturday, June 11, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Friday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Ernst Delbert Rackel was born on March 3, 1935 in Lincoln, Texas to William R. Rackel and Amanda (Iselt) Rackel. He was baptized and confirmed at St. John Lutheran Church in Lincoln and worked as a sheet rocker in Houston for many years. He enjoyed playing his accordion, watching game shows, fishing and supporting the Texas Education Fund. Delbert passed away the afternoon of Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at his home in Houston.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Lawrence Rackel, Elmo Rackel and William "Bill" Rackel and a grandson, Garret Rackel.

Delbert is survived by two sons, William "Billy" Rackel II & his wife, Donna of Houston and Tim Rackel & his wife, Dawn of Houston; two daughters, Paula Lentz & her husband, David of Leander and Darla Henehan & her husband, Tony of Danbury; eight grandchildren, William "Trey" Rackel III of Houston,

Amanda Rackel of Houston, Timothy Rackel & his wife, Ashley of Houston, Travis McNicholas of Humble, Tara Kissee & her husband, Scott of San Antonio, Tiffany McNicholas of Cedar Park, Tommy Ward III & his wife Lindsay of The Woodlands and Payton Whatley & her husband, Shane of Alabama; eight great grandchildren; one sister, Janice Lindsay of Ralls; one brother, Clarence "Rocky" Rackel of Tyler; two sisters-in-law, Elizabeth "Lizzie" Rackel of Loebau and Elyne Rackel of Lincoln as well as numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Serving as pallbearers will be Trey Rackel, Timothy Rackel, Travis McNicholas, Raymond King, Tony Henehan and Mark Miller.

Memorials may be made to the OMSLife Foundation or to the charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

Giddings City Cemetery (Section C)

900 West Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Family Present for Visitation

JUN 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin St.
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phillipsluckey@yahoo.com
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Chapel Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ernst Delbert Rackel.* ”



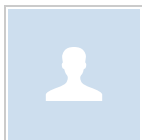
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“ *Don & Stacey Jennings and family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Ernst Delbert Rackel.* ”



Don & Stacey Jennings and family - June 10, 2016 at 11:26 AM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Ernst Delbert Rackel.* ”



June 10, 2016 at 09:39 AM



“ *Alice And Ernie Goerlitz lit a candle in memory of Ernst Delbert Rackel* ”



Alice and Ernie Goerlitz - June 10, 2016 at 07:32 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Ernst Delbert Rackel.*



June 09, 2016 at 08:47 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ernst Delbert Rackel.*

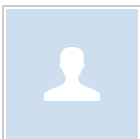


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“ *I love and miss you daddy. I can only imagine the homecoming you have received from Garret, grandma & grandpa and your brothers. These last few months have been awful for you and I know you are finally happy, healthy and whole. Until we meet again on the other side I will keep you in my heart. Rest peacefully 💔*

Darla Rackel-Henehan - June 09, 2016 at 06:14 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ernst Delbert Rackel.*



June 09, 2016 at 04:40 PM