

Eugene Otto Niemtschk

March 30, 1928 - January 23, 2022

Eugene Otto Niemtschk was born to Otto and Meta (Rueffer) Niemtschk on March 30, 1928 in Thorndale. The sixth of eight children were born in the house where he lived in, then for 33 years with his spouse Erma.

Eugene was given the Rite of Holy Baptism on May 6, 1928 on his mother's birthday. He attended St. Paul Lutheran School and was confirmed on March 29, 1942 by Rev. F.H. Steltzer.

He worked on the family farm with his father many years. After he met the love and companion of his life, Erma Felfe, whom he married on April 27, 1952 in the church parsonage, they worked together on the farm. They continued to live on the farm until Uncle Sam called and he served his two-year term of duty at Fort Hood, Texas. After that, back to farming – also working several jobs in the community.

In 1955 their first son was born. Then in 1957, his second son was born. Later in 1977, Darwin married Jodie and Russell married Brenda. Then even later on the grandchildren came and also 18 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren, so they became a big family.

Eugene always loved music. He played the base drum in a band that St. Paul School had for the June picnics. The band played on Main Street where the

school children marched with small flags over their shoulders. Eugene also played in a local band playing a lead guitar and may have gotten him the love of his life, Erma. Many years ago, Eugene was also an Elder at St. Paul Lutheran Church and attended regularly until his health failed, and then, Teresa Ging never failed to bring him and Erma the Sunday Bulletin's.

After Eugene retired from working at American Desk in Taylor and farming, he could be seen riding in his John Deere Gator and his faithful companion "Bandit" his dog, riding in the seat next to him. During retirement he also stayed busy doing wood working projects making yard swings, magazine racks, etc. He also loved to Bar-B-Que. He had a sense of humor also. Always ready to tell a joke and he remembered so many! He would often sing hymns and was an avid reader of his Bible, Portals of Prayer and our Daily Bread. He enjoyed playing dominoes with friends and family. Also, the Sunday dinners that brought children and grandchildren to visit.

Eugene passed away Sunday, January 23, 2022 at his home in Thorndale reaching the age of 93. He is preceded in death by his parents, Otto and Meta Niemtschk; 3 brothers, Justin Niemtschk and wife Clair, Eldon "Shorty" Niemtschk, and Erwin Niemtschk and wife Viola; 3 sisters, Betty Lehmann Yates and husband Arnold, Doris Kiesling and husband Delma "Sloppy", Elyne Lehmann and husband Otto; brother-in-law Gilbert Schroeder.

Surviving Eugene is his wife of 69 years, Erma Niemtschk; sons, Darwin Niemtschk and wife Jodie of Red Leaf, Russell Niemtschk and wife Brenda of Thorndale; sister, Irene Schroeder and sister-in-law, Julia Niemtschk; also, eight grandchildren, Brandon, Sherry, Laura and Amy, Crystal, Ronnie, Amanda and Cody; 18 great grandchildren and five great-great grandchildren.

Pallbearers are Ronald Lehmann, Darren Biar, Dennis Schroeder, Keith Kiesling, Billy Felfe and Larry Laffere.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Paul Endowment Fund, P.O. Box 369, Thorndale, Texas 76577.

Services are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 29, 2022 at St. Paul Lutheran Church with Pastor Craig Schinnerer officiating. Burial in the St. Paul Church Cemetery in Thorndale. Visitation is 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Friday, January 28th, at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Rockdale.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 28. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Rockdale
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Rockdale, TX 76567
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Church Service

JAN 29. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church - Thorndale
101 N. 3rd Street
Thorndale, TX 76577

Burial

JAN 29 (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery - Thorndale
101 N. 3rd Street
Thorndale, TX 76577

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Eugene Otto Niemtschk*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - January 27, 2022 at 10:06 AM



“ *Our condolences to the family. May you be comforted in the promise of everlasting life.*

Michael and Jane Niemtschk - January 30, 2022 at 05:32 PM



“ *Our condolences to the family. Eugene will be missed but never forgotten. The memories will last forever.*

Teresa Roepke - January 29, 2022 at 10:25 AM



“ *Condolences to all of the family of Eugene Niemtschk. Knowing him to always enjoy working and living a good way of Life. Rest In Peace Eugene Niemtschk.*



John Fuessel - January 27, 2022 at 06:20 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Eugene Otto Niemtschk.*



January 27, 2022 at 03:19 PM



“ *11 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - January 27, 2022 at 09:24 AM



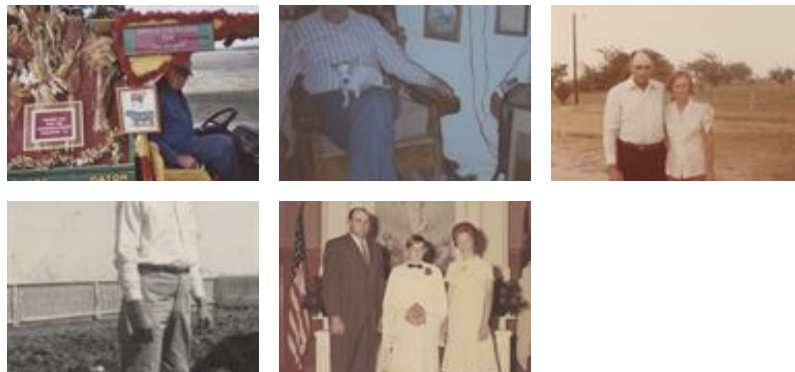
“ *The Coldiron Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Eugene Otto Niemtschk.*



The Coldiron Family - January 26, 2022 at 03:43 PM



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“ Erma, Darwin and Russell we are so sorry to hear of your loss. Eugene is not gone, just away. God called him home to be by his side. One day you will see him again in our heavenly home. God bless and keep you in this time of sorrow.



Cynthia & George Galbreath - January 26, 2022 at 11:47 AM