



Gladys Pauline Birkelbach

May 15, 1933 - November 3, 2018

Funeral services for Gladys Birkelbach, 85, of Giddings, Texas, are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Giddings, Texas with Rev. Robert Tiner officiating. Burial will follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Monday, November 5, 2018 from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Monday evening from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Gladys Pauline (Polasek) Birkelbach was born on May 15, 1933 in Hostyn, Texas to Frank J. Polasek and Emilia (Huebel) Polasek. Gladys was united in marriage to Edwin Birkelbach Jr. on July 25, 1953 in Holman, Texas. Their marriage was blessed with three children, Gerald, Brenda and Connie. Gladys worked at Durrenberger's Flowers, Lee Memorial Hospital as a Respiratory Therapist and Invader Boats. Gladys enjoyed dancing, gardening, baking, traveling with friends and spending time with her family.

Gladys passed away the morning of Saturday, November 3, 2018 at Inwood Crossing Nursing Home in Tomball, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank & Emilia Polasek; her husband, Edwin Birkelbach Jr. and two brothers, Frank Polasek and Benny Polasek.

Gladys is survived by her three children, Gerald Birkelbach and his wife, Sharon of Giddings, Brenda Bethke and her husband, Johnny of Magnolia, and Connie Tomaszewski and her husband, Richard of Hockley; six grandchildren, Justin Birkelbach of Giddings, Brooke Kovar & her husband, Chris of Giddings, John Bethke and his wife, Christina of Jersey Village, Jared Lehmann and his wife, Ashley of Kerrville, Jonathan Lehmann and his wife, Jordan of Cedar Park and Joe Tomaszewski of Hockley; ten great grandchildren, Avery Davis, Andrew Davis, Whit Kovar, Brendan Bethke, Lani Bethke, Brooklyn Bethke, Jadyann Lehmann, Jacey Lehmann, Zoe Saldana and Brandon Lehmann; one sister, Bernice Lastovica and her husband, Raymond of Weimar.

Serving as pallbearers will be John Bethke, Jared Lehmann, Jonathan Lehmann, Christopher Kovar and Leonard Meinkowsky. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Justin Birkelbach, Chester Markwardt Jr. and Andrew Davis.

Memorial may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Christian Care Group, 300 North Grimes Street, Giddings, Texas 78942 or to a charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

Giddings City Cemetery (Section C)

900 West Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 5. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Family Present for Visitation

NOV 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Church Service

NOV 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church
300 North Grimes Street
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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gladys Pauline Birkelbach*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - November 05, 2018 at 10:13 AM



Shirley Paschal

“ *Shirley Paschal lit a candle in memory of Gladys Pauline Birkelbach*



Shirley Paschal - November 06, 2018 at 09:18 AM



MS

“ *Michelle M Schuetz lit a candle in memory of Gladys Pauline Birkelbach*



Michelle M Schuetz - November 06, 2018 at 08:16 AM

SH

“ *Sandra Harzke lit a candle in memory of Gladys Pauline Birkelbach*



Sandra Harzke - November 05, 2018 at 05:12 PM

CC

“ *I always remember Gladys with a smile on her face. Even in these last years when she was sick, she always was smiling any time I saw here. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time.*

Cathy Carney

Cathy Carney - November 05, 2018 at 02:33 PM

WG

“ *Walter & Carol Gaspard purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Gladys Pauline Birkelbach.*



Walter & Carol Gaspard - November 05, 2018 at 01:37 PM

PH

“ *Pam Hendrix purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Gladys Pauline Birkelbach.*



Pam Hendrix - November 05, 2018 at 01:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gladys Pauline Birkelbach.*



November 05, 2018 at 12:11 PM



“ *So sorry for the family's loss. I remember your parents when I used to work at First National Bank. They were always so happy and friendly. My mother commented about they used to go dancing together. They might have even taken some trips together. Know that we are thinking about you and know that your parents are at peace with the Lord. Our deepest Sympathy. Jerry and Carolyn(Loewe)Faske*

Carolyn Faske - November 05, 2018 at 11:24 AM



“ *Gerald and family, I am so sorry for your loss. May God give you peace and comfort now and in the days ahead.*

Connie Ward - November 05, 2018 at 11:00 AM



“ *Our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to Gerald and Sharon and all the family.*



Rodney and Melanie Meyer - November 05, 2018 at 10:50 AM



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Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - November 05, 2018 at 08:56 AM