



Happy Christmas Kappler

December 25, 1939 - February 24, 2019

Funeral services for Happy Kappler, 79, of Serbin, Texas, are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 1, 2019 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin with Rev. John Schmidt officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 28, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Friday, March 1, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The Kappler family will be present for visitation Thursday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Happy Christmas Gest Kappler was born on December 25, 1939 to Loui and Bessie (Brown) Gest in Bastrop, Texas. She was baptized in 1952 in Bastrop, Texas by Rev. Vercher. On October 9, 1959, Happy was united in marriage Paul Ernst Kappler at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Houston, Texas by Pastor Edwin E. Kieper. They were blessed with two children, Paul and Sandra. Happy officially joined the Lutheran church through confirmation on February 17, 1962 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Houston by Rev. Elmo E. Miertschin. She worked as an accounting manager for several law firms for many years. She was an excellent cook who also enjoyed reading.

Happy passed away peacefully the morning of Sunday, February 24, 2019 at her home in Serbin.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Nelda Duck, Joyce Keel,

and Edna Williams; sisters-in-law, Ruth Lehmann and Josephine Kasper; brothers-in-law, James Tate, Rudie Lee Mitschke and Roy Lehmann.

She is survived by her husband of nearly 60 years, Paul Kappler of Serbin; her son, Paul "Pistol" Kappler II and his wife, Kim of Lake Jackson; her daughter, Sandra Kaye Dunlap and her husband, Doug of Katy; six grandchildren, Kristin Kappler of Lake Jackson, Ashley and Alex Nichols of San Antonio, Lindsey Kappler of Gainsville, GA, Korynne Kappler of Lake Jackson, Kayla Dunlap of Ft. Worth and Stefanie Dunlap of Los Angeles, CA; sister, Loyce Bundick and her husband, Don of Sublime; her brother, Louis H. Gest, Jr. and his wife, Sue of Pearland; two brothers-in-law, D.L. Williams and his wife, Clara of Hillsboro and C.W. Kasper of Serbin; sisters-in-law, Jeanette Mitschke of Houston and Linda Tate of Serbin, and many nieces, nephews and friends. Happy is also survived by a special friend and caregiver, Evelyn York of Giddings.

Serving as pallbearers will be Tommy Mitschke, Lenn Williams, Kent Davidson, John Tate, Johnny Moore and Lonnie Lehmann. Honorary pallbearers will be Kristin Kappler, Ashley Kappler Nichols, Lindsey Kappler, Korynne Kappler, Kayla Dunlap, and Stefanie Dunlap.

Memorials may be made to Hospice Brazos Valley in La Grange, Faith Lutheran High School in Warda, or to the charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery of Serbin

1572 County Road 211
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Public Visitation

FEB 28. 7:00 AM - 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

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Public Visitation

MAR 1. 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAR 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church of Serbin
1572 County Road 211
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<http://stpaulserbin.org>

Tribute Wall

DN

“ Our heartfelt thoughts are with you, Paul. You took such good and loving care of Happy for so long on your own. Now she is at the Lord's table and may you find comfort in knowing that you are children of God and blessed for eternity.

Junelle and Herbert Nittsche

dwight nittsche - March 01, 2019 at 05:12 PM



RM

“ Happy lived up to her name. She was so funny and sweet and had the best outlook on life, nothing seemed to get her down. She loved her family and was so proud of her children and all her granddaughters. She will be greatly missed.

RENEE MCDANIEL - March 01, 2019 at 03:51 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.

February 28, 2019 at 12:00 PM





“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



February 27, 2019 at 09:53 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



February 27, 2019 at 05:20 PM



“ *BASF-500 blk Family purchased the Rainbow Reflections Basket for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



BASF-500 blk Family - February 27, 2019 at 01:52 PM



“ *Olympia Frilot & Stacy Schulze purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



Olympia Frilot & Stacy Schulze - February 27, 2019 at 01:48 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



February 26, 2019 at 05:34 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



February 26, 2019 at 01:14 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



February 26, 2019 at 11:35 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



February 26, 2019 at 11:18 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



February 26, 2019 at 10:02 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Happy's passing. We so enjoyed being with her and your Dad at the girls softball games. Will be keeping y'all in our prayers. Kenny Debbie and Courtney Lavender*

Debbie Lavender - February 25, 2019 at 09:26 PM



“ *My dear, sweet Aunt Happy. You brought so much joy to everyone who knew you. I was so blessed to have spent many wonderful years with you as I was growing up and even more treasured time in later years at our family reunions at Bastrop State Park. Pat and I enjoyed many sunset evenings with you and Loyce discussing everything from family memories, good recipes, current events to politics, and of course, cooking and eating lots of good food. Never a dull moment! Love, Love, Love you and Uncle Paul!*

Jeanie Dykes - February 25, 2019 at 08:06 PM



“ *Barbara & Walter Newsom lit a candle in memory of Happy Christmas Kappler*



Barbara & Walter Newsom - February 25, 2019 at 08:00 PM

DF

“ *DL&Clara, Pat, Lenn&Janet, Jeanie&Murph & Families purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



DL&Clara, Pat, Lenn&Janet, Jeanie&Murph & Families -
February 25, 2019 at 07:47 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Happy Christmas Kappler.*



February 25, 2019 at 11:55 AM

LO

“ *Aunt Happy will be missed by anyone who had the pleasure of being in her presences. My favorite memory of Aunt Happy was when I would spend the night with Sandy and Aunt Happy would yell at us to stop laughing and go to sleep. We were girls, we had a lot of giggles!!*



Lisa Osborn - February 24, 2019 at 11:06 PM

ME

Some days I wish we could turn back time and enjoy all the Walther League parties we had. Will miss seeing Happy.

Melvin and Eleanor - February 26, 2019 at 08:57 AM

CD

Happy and Paul were our house mother and father when we were stationed on Germany. Happy was our super friend for us GIs and she would listen to our woes and hear us out. A great friend and pal to many GIs. A great friend to Claudine and I over the years. Blessings to her. And Paul

Claudine and Joe Donovan - February 26, 2019 at 09:56 AM