



James "Jim" Fred Foerster

July 7, 1937 - August 20, 2016

Funeral services for James "Jim" Foerster, 79, of Manheim, Texas, are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Manheim, Texas with Rev. Herb Keistman officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held on Monday, August 22, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, August 23, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:30 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.

James Fred Foerster was born on July 7, 1937 in Lincoln, Texas to Alvin and Lucy (Umlang) Foerster. He was baptized on July 18, 1937 at St. John Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Texas by Rev. Reinhard Osthoff and confirmed on March 18, 1951 at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Manheim, Texas by Rev. August Horn. His confirmation verse was Proverbs 23:26, "My son give me your heart and let your eyes observe my ways". James was united in marriage to Eunice Symmank on September 23, 1961 at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Manheim by Rev. Ewald Recks. Their marriage was blessed with two children, Rhonda and Kevin.

James stayed and farmed with his parents in Manheim until moving to Houston where he worked for National Flame and Commercial Honing Company. In 1977, James moved back to Manheim with his family and was a

truck driver for P&O Falco and later became a gauger for Koch Oil Company. After taking an early retirement from Koch Oil, he started his own trucking company known as Jim's Sand and Gravel and was later joined by his son, Kevin.

James entered Oakland Manor Nursing Center in Giddings on October 16, 2015 due to his weakness in taking dialysis and other health issues. He was transferred to St. Joseph Regional Health Center in Bryan on August 10, 2016. From there he was transferred to the Hospice Brazos Valley Inpatient Facility where the good Lord called him home during the early morning hours of Saturday, August 20, 2016 having reached the age of 79 years, 1 month and 13 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alvin and Lucy Foerster; his brother, Ronnie Foerster; his sister-in-law, Audrey Symmank, his brother-in-law, Eddie Symmank; his nephew, Jerry Symmank and his great niece, Natalie Cones.

James is survived by his wife of 54 years, Eunice Foerster of Manheim; his daughter and son-in-law, Rhonda & Darvin Lehmann of Manheim; his son and daughter-in-law, Kevin & Krista Foerster of Giddings; three grandchildren, Lashelle Keith and her husband, Dustin, and Trent and Brooke Foerster; one great grandchild, Kylie Keith; one brother, Dennis Foerster & his wife, Joyce of Giddings; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Milton & Ruby Wachsmann of Lincoln; brother-in-law, Earl Symmank of Paige; sister-in-law, Carolyn Symmank of Paige as well as numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Serving as pallbearers will be Chris Cones, Daryl Symmank, Vernon Umlang, Marshall Umlang, Ross Friedrichs, Charles Symmank, Robert Kennedy and Wayne Galipp.

Memorials may be made to Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Manheim, the Lutheran Hour or Hospice Brazos Valley.

Cemetery Details

Ebenezer Lutheran Cemetery-Manheim

4146 West Highway 21
Paige, TX 78659

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 22. 10:00 AM - 9:00 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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Church Service

AUG 23. 10:00 AM (CT)

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manheim@zochnet.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James "Jim" Fred Foerster*



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“ *Rhonda and family, I am so sorry to hear of your father's passing. It's never easy for those of us left on earth, but know that this is only our temporary home and he is work on earth is done. Hang on to your precious memories and know that prayers are heading your way. Hugs! Pat Helbert*

Pat Helbert - August 22, 2016 at 04:22 PM

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“ *Kenny & Andrea Ray lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Fred Foerster*



Kenny & Andrea Ray - August 22, 2016 at 01:21 PM

MS

“ *Michelle Schuetz lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Fred Foerster*



Michelle Schuetz - August 22, 2016 at 07:51 AM

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I am so sorry for your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time. May God give you all strength, comfort, and peace today and days ahead.

Michelle, Cody, Cooper, and Alex Schuetz

Michelle Schuetz - August 22, 2016 at 07:53 AM

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“ *Kenny and Anna Beth Keith purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of James "Jim" Fred Foerster.*



Kenny and Anna Beth Keith - August 21, 2016 at 07:08 PM



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