



James Paul Pietsch

July 29, 1935 - May 3, 2021

Funeral services for James P. Pietsch, 85 of Ledbetter, Texas, are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 7, 2021 at Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Giddings with Rev. John Waak officiating. Burial will follow in the Carmine Cemetery in Carmine, Texas. Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 6, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Friday, May 7, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The Pietsch family will be present for visitation Thursday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

James Paul Pietsch was born on July 29, 1935 at his family's home in Waldeck, Texas. He was the son of Paul and Irene (Weber) Pietsch. He was baptized at home on August 8, 1935 and confirmed on August 8, 1948 at Waldeck Lutheran Church. His confirmation memory verse was Matthew 10:32, "Whosoever shall confess before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven." James attended the Round Top-Carmine school. He started farming and ranching at the young age of 16 with his first "real" job being working at the Emmrich Mill in Giddings. James was united in marriage to Shirley Hackemack on August 24, 1957 at Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Carmine, Texas. In 1959, James began working for Cargill Nutrena in Giddings. He started out as a mill worker, then as a truck driver, and eventually a mill foreman. In 1980, he went to work for Jaeger's Inc., the John Deere dealer in Giddings. He enjoyed making friends while delivering tractors

for Jaeger's and fondly remembered those deliveries including a tractor delivery to then Texas governor, Mark White.

James had been an active member of Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Giddings where he had served as a member of the church council and head usher of his usher team. He was a member of the North Central Fayette County Wildlife Management Association and enjoyed attending the meetings where he socialized with his fellow members. He enjoyed fishing and loved telling stories of the many fishing trips he made with his dad and grandfather at the river. He also enjoyed deer hunting at a friend's lease in Fredericksburg.

James passed away the evening of Monday, May 3, 2021 in an Austin hospital.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his grandparents; and his sister and brother-in-law, Mamie & Milton Roemer.

James is survived by his wife, Shirley Pietsch of Ledbetter; three children, Cindy & Ben Droemer of Giddings, Gary & Cheryl Pietsch of Giddings, and Lori Carmona of Park City, Utah; seven grandchildren, Aubrey & Jason Trbovich of Houston, Nik & Lori Droemer of Magnolia, Aaron & Jen Droemer of Ft. Worth, Benjamin Droemer of Giddings, Annie Pietsch of San Antonio, Lucy Pietsch of San Marcos, and Lillie Pietsch of Giddings; three great grandchildren, Jaxyn and Charley Alice Droemer of Magnolia and Harrison Droemer of Fort Worth; one brother-in-law, Aubrey Hackemack of McQueeney, and a favorite nephew, Rickey Roemer of Ledbetter.

Pallbearers will be Nik Droemer, Aaron Droemer, Benjamin Droemer, Jason Trbovich, Jim Jaeger, and Rickey Roemer. Honorary pallbearers will be Alton Moellering, Danny Moellering, Raymond Schulze, and Alois Jaeger.

Memorials may be made to the Martin Luther Lutheran Day School, 573 North Main Street, Giddings, Texas 78942 or to the charity of one's choice.

Arrangements by Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings.

Cemetery Details

Carmine Cemetery

Carmine Cemetery Road
Carmine, TX 78932

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 6. 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin St.
Giddings, TX 78942
(979) 542-3113
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Family Present for Visitation

MAY 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

MAY 7. 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Church Service

MAY 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

Martin Luther Lutheran Church
573 North Main Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Paul Pietsch*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - May 05, 2021 at 05:20 PM

KB

“ *Prayers for you Ms. Shirley and all your family. I do remember your husbands kindness during the many years my family attended Martin Luther Lutheran Church with your family. I watched your children grow up sitting so sweetly in church. You also lived down the street from us. May God give you strength in the days ahead plus comfort and peace.*

Karen Namken Behrens - May 07, 2021 at 10:14 PM

MS

“ *Michelle Schuetz lit a candle in memory of James Paul Pietsch*



Michelle Schuetz - May 06, 2021 at 05:57 PM

DW

“ Our deepest sympathy to James’s family.
Delton and Lois Wunderlich
Shelby Texas

Delton/Lois Wunderlich - May 06, 2021 at 01:58 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased
for the family of James Paul Pietsch.



May 06, 2021 at 11:18 AM

CM

“ Deepest sympathy to the family.

Clayton and Becca Mayer - May 06, 2021 at 09:29 AM

LM

“ Shirley and family sorry to hear of the passing of James. May God
send you his comfort. Sincerely, Lavonne Morrow

Lavonne Morrow - May 06, 2021 at 12:01 AM

DW

“ I remember Mr. James and Miss Shirley always together all my life.
Always had time to talk and laugh. Either at Nutrena or Jaegers I
would always blow my horn at him on his tractor or gator. Sure
going to miss him. Rest In Peace Mr. James.

Dwane Wiederhold - May 05, 2021 at 09:38 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of James Paul Pietsch.*



May 05, 2021 at 07:24 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of James Paul Pietsch.*



May 05, 2021 at 06:56 PM



“ *- Gene Hackemack & Nancy purchased the Multi color Bright Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of James Paul Pietsch.*



- Gene Hackemack & Nancy - May 05, 2021 at 02:41 PM



“ 74 files added to the album LifeTributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - May 05, 2021 at 02:06 PM

DH

“ Dolly Hoeinghaus lit a candle in memory of James Paul Pietsch



Dolly Hoeinghaus - May 05, 2021 at 11:22 AM

JR

“ I am so sorry. He was a great man and I know he will be truly missed. My deepest sympathy to his wonderful family. ❤️ Love, Jackie

jackie Ray - May 05, 2021 at 09:46 AM

CJ

“ We will all miss his friendly smile and wave on 1291.

Christine Jervis - May 05, 2021 at 08:44 AM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of James Paul Pietsch.*



May 05, 2021 at 04:13 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss of James. Please except our deepest sympathy*
Jerry and Carolyn (Loewe) Faske

Jerry and Carolyn Faske - May 04, 2021 at 11:07 PM