



Joyce Ann Dowling

September 24, 1944 - May 20, 2025

Funeral services for Joyce Dowling, 80 of Giddings, Texas are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 24, 2025, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin, Texas with Rev. John Schmidt officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The service will be live streamed on St.PaulSerbin.org. Visitation will be held on Friday, May 23, 2025, from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday, May 24, 2025, 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 Friday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Joyce Ann (Miertschin) Dowling was born on September 24, 1944, in Flatonia, Texas the daughter of Marvin and Clara (Kasper) Miertschin. She was baptized on October 8, 1944, at The Evangelical Lutheran Church and confirmed on March 30, 1958, at Grace Lutheran Church in Smithville by Rev. H. L. Wiederaenders. Her confirmation verse was John 10:27-28 "My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand." Joyce was united in marriage to Terry Dowling on January 5, 1969, at Grace Lutheran Church in Smithville. Terry and Joyce owned several rental properties over the years where Joyce worked as the bookkeeper and account manager. After moving home, she worked at the laundromat in Smithville. Joyce was a dedicated member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin. She loved working in her flowerbeds, sewing, crocheting, quilting, and

cherished her day trips with Floyd Kasper.

Joyce passed away the evening of Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at Oakland Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Giddings.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Marvin and Clara Miertschin; her husband, Terry Dowling; four brothers, Larry Miertschin, Archie Miertschin, Ray Miertschin, and Bernie Miertschin.

Joyce is survived by two sisters-in-law, Frances Miertschin of Giddings and Marilyn Miertschin of Giddings; one niece; eight nephews, and numerous extended family members.

Serving as pallbearers will be Kenny Miertschin, Billy Miertschin, Chris Miertschin, Brian Miertschin, Keith Miertschin, and Rick Miertschin. Honorary pallbearers will be Shannon Miertschin, James Miertschin, and Sherri Yurk.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church in Serbin or to the charity of one's choice.

Arrangements made by Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings.

Cemetery Details

St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery of Serbin

1572 County Road 211
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **23**. 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Church Service

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