



## Larry Gene Jenke

February 17, 1948 - January 26, 2021

A memorial service for Larry Jenke, 72 of Giddings, will be held at 10 am on Monday, February 8, 2021 at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings with Rev. Robert Tiner officiating. A visitation will be held on Sunday, February 7, 2021 from 9:00 am until 8:00 pm and on Monday, February 8, 2021 from 7:00 am until 10:00 am at the funeral home. The family will be present for visitation Sunday evening from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Larry Gene Jenke was born on February 17, 1948 in La Grange, Texas to Herbert Paul Jenke and Marie Alma (Mertink) Jenke. He was baptized on February 29, 1948 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Giddings by Rev. Max Studtmann and confirmed on March 26, 1961 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Austin by Rev. Albert F. Jesse. After graduating high school, Larry attended Concordia Lutheran College in Austin. On January 18, 1969, he married Theresa Elaine Farrack at Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Giddings. He began his career working on radio towers in Austin and then worked for the Civil Air Patrol in San Marcos. After moving back home to Giddings, Larry worked at the Giddings State School as a House Parent Supervisor. He then became a rural carrier for the United States Postal Service. Before retiring, he worked construction doing odd jobs and remodeling homes. Larry loved being outdoors and enjoyed hunting, fishing, and working in his garden. He also enjoyed playing board games, singing, and listening to country music. Being the type of person that could never learn enough, he was an avid reader and

spent many hours at the Wendish Heritage Museum researching family history and other Lee County genealogy. With the love of genealogy, Larry would travel to cemeteries and clean monuments that needed a touching up and then would research the life of the person that was at rest there. He believed in a hard day's work and loved his girls.

Larry passed away early the morning of Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at St. David's Medical Center in Austin.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Herbert and Marie Jenke, and grandson, Tristan Towns.

Larry is survived by his four daughters, Tonya and Edward Towns of Joshua, Dawn and Jeff Faske of Giddings, Crystal and Alan Smith of Giddings, and Amber and Corbitt Hill of Giddings; twelve grandchildren, Courtney and Michael Mann, Aaron Towns, Taylor Towns, Anthony Cole, Trevour Towns, Teresa Towns, Amanda and Jacob DeRouen, Melisa and Jordan Samson, Justin and Kandace Smith, Bryson Smith, Joshua Hill and Arazeli Aranda, and Paul Hill; eight great grandchildren, Kylie Trotter, Ayaan Aranda, Xavier Hill, Jessie Hill, Greyson DeRouen, Everly DeRouen, Jaxon Smith, and Lincoln Smith; sister, Kathy and Glenn Woodruff of El Campo; brother, Gary and Ginger Jenke of Coldspring, as well as many nieces, nephews, other family members, and friends.

Honorary pallbearers will be Matt Wall, Jacob DeRouen, Justin Smith, Bryson Smith, Jordan Samson, Joshua Hill, and Paul Hill.

Memorials may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church Youth Ministry, Immanuel Lutheran Church General Fund, American Cancer Society, or to the charity of one's choice.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 7. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

FEB 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Visitation

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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Larry Gene Jenke*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - January 31, 2021 at 11:30 AM



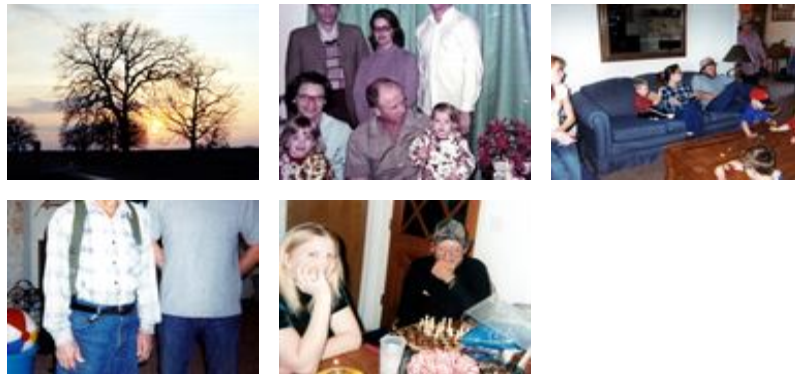
“ *Dale And Lisa Belmont & Family lit a candle in memory of Larry Gene Jenke*



Dale And Lisa Belmont & Family - February 05, 2021 at 07:43 PM



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“ So sorry for your loss.  
David, Carol, and Christopher Schulz



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**Carol Colleen Schulz** - February 01, 2021 at 05:28 PM



“ Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Larry  
Gene Jenke.



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February 01, 2021 at 05:10 PM



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