



Lee Ellen Flippin

August 31, 1929 - October 12, 2016

Funeral arrangements for Lee Flippin, 87, of Dime Box are scheduled for Saturday, October 15, 2016 at 11:00 am at St. John's Lutheran Church in Dime Box with Brother Harvey Abke and Rev. Roger Millheim officiating. Burial will follow at St. John's Lutheran Church Cemetery in Dime Box. Visitation will be Friday October 14, 2016, 6pm-8pm with the family present at Phillips & Luckey Chapel in Caldwell, Texas.

Lee was born August 31, 1929 to Fritz & Elsie (Eberhart) Korth, their second child, at their family home in the Birch Community. She was baptized and confirmed in the Evangelical and Reformed Church in Birch. Her family were farmers and she often got out of the fields picking cotton by volunteering to care for the younger children. She moved into town to live with her aunt and go to Caldwell High School where she graduated in 1946 at the age of 16. After graduation she moved to Houston with a friend and worked at the Pepsi Cola Company for 3 years until she landed a job at Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in the accounting department. While in Houston, she met the love of her life, Claude Flippin, at Cook's Hoedown New Year's Eve and they married 5 months later on May 3, 1958. They continued to live in Houston until she retired in 1969 and they moved to the ranch in Dime Box. The job that brought the most joy was helping close friends Riney and Monica Spacek raise their 5 children. During that time, she became known as "Mama Lee" named by Russell Spacek. Claude and Lee were unable to have children of their own, but they were always surrounded by their nieces, nephews and

the Spacek kids. They tried to adopt for years and it finally happened when they were blessed by their newborn baby girl Sue Ellen on March 5, 1982 at the age of 52 & 60. Claude went to his eternal rest June 19, 1988 and Lee took on the role of raising a 6-year-old on her own and she did an amazing job. There wasn't a volleyball, softball or basketball game she missed and became everyone's mama. She taxied Sue Ellen and her friends to SPJST meetings and camps, sports practices, games and competitions and always had a meal and cold sodas for everyone. She enjoyed playing Bingo with Lucille in Giddings and Caldwell every week and never missed a weekly beauty shop appointments with Jan. Many nights were spent around a domino table at her house with the Ford's or the Leitko's and it was a given that Saturday nights were spent at the SPJST hall in Dime Box. There are so many other memories than can be shared and will always be remembered by all who had the pleasure to know and love Lee. The last 4 years she lived at Burlson St. Joseph Manor in Caldwell where she was the President of the Resident's Rights Council and made many new friends. She was active in all activities and thanks to Sherri, she became quite the artist. She never missed any activities or church and was a buddy helper for other residents. Lee really lived these last 4 years and called the Manor home and the people there family. Her grandchildren were her pride and joy. She had many names in her lifetime but none as precious to her as "Goggins" (given to her by Patrick). When Hunter came along, it didn't change and just as she was everyone's Mama when Sue Ellen was a child, she then became everyone's Goggins. She had a special place in her heart for her boys and like every grandparent, she thought they could do no wrong. They truly were the light of her life! Lee was welcomed into her heavenly home by Claude on October 12, 2016 Lee is preceded in death by her parents, Fritz and Elsie Korth; 2 brothers, Leon "Buddy" Korth and Wilfred Korth, Sr., and her loving husband of 30 years Claude A. Flippin.

She is survived by her daughter Sue Ellen and Marcus Bernal, Sr., step-children, Donna & Lee Halliburton, Frankie Flippin, Larry Sr., and Shirley

Flippin. 2 sisters, Velma Bage and Gladys Paholek. Sister-in-law Katherine Korth. Grandchildren Patrick David, Hunter David, Marcus Bernal, Jr., Michael Bernal, Mason Bernal, Justin Halliburton, Sheryl & Paul Smith, Larry Flippin, Jr., Michelle & Rick Hernandez, James & Cody Flippin, 4 great grandchildren with one on the way, numerous nieces and nephews and countless friends. Lee was welcomed into her heavenly home by Claude on October 12, 2016. Serving as Pallbearers: Gary Flippin, Mike Krueger, Russell Spacek, Ricky Korth, Wilfred Korth, Jr., Steven Bage, Terry Paholek and Anthony Ford. Honorary Pallbearers: Patrick David, Hunter David, Marcus Bernal, Sr., Marcus Bernal, Jr., Michael Bernal, Mason Bernal, Justin Halliburton, Donnie Leitko, Gary Bage, Gerald Korth, Carl Korth, Robert Spacek, Richard "Bo" Spacek, Ricky Ford and Kenneth Ford.

Lee was an incredible woman with a huge heart. She was the most loving, giving, caring and selfless person ever known and will be missed by all but her legacy will on in the hearts of all who knew her.

Memorials can be made to Hospice Brazos Valley, Burleson County Church in Caldwell or St. John's Lutheran Church in Dime Box.

Cemetery Details

St. John Lutheran Cemetery

8417 FM 141
Dime Box, TX 77853

Previous Events

Family Present for Visitation

OCT **14**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Caldwell
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Caldwell, TX 77836
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Church Service

OCT **15**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church
8235 FM 141
Dime Box, TX 77853-5019

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lee Ellen Flippin*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - October 14, 2016 at 12:17 PM

TM

“ *My memories of Ms. Lee will be forever cherished. Always a smile and hug for me. So honored to have known her through out my life. I love you and see you on the other side. Tell mema I love her*

tammy marburger markert - October 15, 2016 at 09:18 AM

CM

“ *So sorry too hear of your loss. My prayers are for Lee and all the family.
When I was little, I went too Flippins' store right next to her house with my grandparents.
Carol (Keng) Mcglaun*

carol mcglaun - October 15, 2016 at 01:26 AM



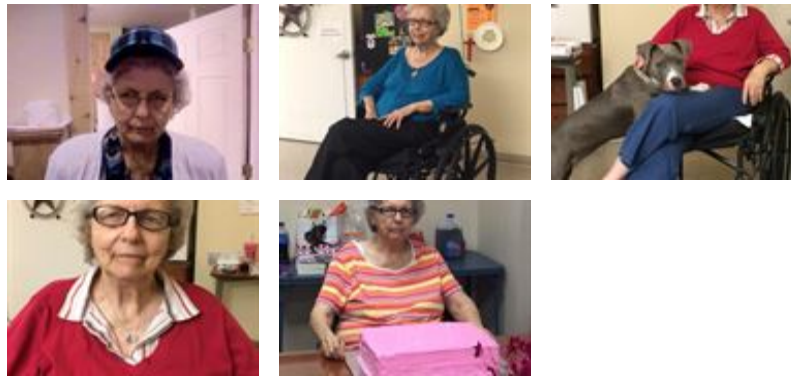
Jessica Ramon

“ Ms. Lee was such an amazing lady to my grandma and often updated me on any time she did something unexpected or funny. Ms. Lee also was a very special friend to my little boy, Gabe. She always had a hug and was so excited that he was reading so well. She always offered him all her good candy because he doesn't like cookies or mints. She was such a kind, loving person!

Jessica Ramon - October 14, 2016 at 10:54 PM



“ 67 files added to the album Life Tributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - October 14, 2016 at 11:55 AM

KM

“ Keith Massey purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Lee Ellen Flippin.



Keith Massey - October 13, 2016 at 08:06 PM

GI

“ Our prayers are with the family at this time.
God needed a special Angel when he called
Lillie home.



Gary and Beverly Iselt - October 13, 2016 at 03:09 PM

DJ

“ We are very sorry for your loss. Lee was such a sweet and
wonderful lady. Her family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Lee and Diana Johnson

Diana Johnson - October 13, 2016 at 01:58 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Lee Ellen Flippin.



October 13, 2016 at 01:51 PM