



## Loree Marie Rost

June 1, 1927 - February 2, 2016

Funeral services for Loree Rost, 88 of Giddings, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, February 5, 2016 at St. Margaret's Catholic Church in Giddings with Father James Olmhausen officiating. Burial will follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Friday, February 5, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Thursday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. and a prayer service will be held at 6:45 p.m.

Loree Marie (Polansky) Rost was born on June 1, 1927 in Dime Box, Texas to Julius Anton Polansky and Clara Winnie (Kocurek) Polansky. She graduated from Dime Box High School in 1943, as the salutatorian of her class. Graduating from the University of Texas in 1948 with a Bachelor of Science degree, she was one of the first six girls allowed in the Texas Longhorn Band.

Loree was a buyer at Foley's Department Store in Houston before marrying O'Barr W. Rost on December 1, 1951 in Dime Box. Together they ran Rost Cafe in Giddings for 15 years. They were married for 46 years until his death in 1998. She received a Master of Education degree from Texas A & M University in 1976 and taught 6th grade English and Spelling at Giddings Middle School. She was the first teacher from Giddings I.S.D. to be nominated for Texas Teacher of the Year in 1988 and retired from teaching in 1991.

Mrs. Rost was a faithful member of St. Margaret's Catholic Church and served as volunteer organist there for 43 years. She also organized and directed the children's church choir. She was an active citizen in the Giddings community and served as a charter member of the Library Board. She also volunteered her time helping at the library for almost 40 years. Loree wrote the Library News article for the local newspaper for over 36 years and was proud to have personally raised \$10,000 in donations for the library building project. Her civic involvement was recognized in 2008, when she was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Giddings Chamber of Commerce.

Loree enjoyed cooking and baking for family and friends and was well known for taking food to the sick, shut-ins and elderly in the community. She also loved reading, watching sports and playing golf and tennis.

The last year of her life, Loree was professionally and lovingly cared for by Rebecca Spacek Langley and her staff at Bec's Blessing in Giddings. It was there that she passed away the afternoon of Tuesday, February 2, 2016.

Mrs. Rost was preceded in death by her parents, Julius & Clara Polansky; her husband, O'Barr Rost; her brother, Clinton Polansky and her sister, Lynn Garrett.

Loree is survived by her children, Helen Claire Rost of Weimar, Paul David Rost of San Antonio, Carl Stephen Rost and wife, Connie of Giddings and Mari Loree Tucker and husband, Mark of San Marcos; one sister, Geraldine Laier of Austin; six grandsons, Benjamin Rost of San Antonio, Weston Rost of Corpus Christi, Mathew Rost and Sarah Lyle of San Antonio, Tyler Budde of San Marcos, Carson Rost of Portland, and Justin Rost of San Antonio; one great granddaughter, Lily Ann Rost of San Antonio, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Serving as pallbearers will be Benjamin Rost, Weston Rost, Matthew Rost, Tyler Budde, Carson Rost and Justin Rost. Honorary pallbearers will be Louis Muniz, Louis Gaeke, David Varnado, Ricky Wahrmund and Clarence Buck.

Memorials may be made to the St. Margaret's Catholic Church Building Fund, the Giddings Public Library Memorial Fund or to the charity of one's choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Giddings City Cemetery (Section C)

900 West Austin Street  
Giddings, TX 78942

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 4. 7:00 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

FEB 4. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Prayer Service

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FEB 4. 6:45 PM (CT)

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## Church Service

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FEB 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Margaret Catholic Church  
526 S. Grimes  
Giddings, TX 78942

# Tribute Wall

BJ

“ So very sorry to hear of Mrs Rost's passing. I knew her from our association at the Library which she loved very much. She was a wonderful lady and it was special to have known her.

*Beverly Z. Johnson*

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**Beverly Z Johnson** - February 11, 2016 at 06:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Loree Marie Rost.



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February 04, 2016 at 05:33 PM



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February 04, 2016 at 04:11 PM

TM

“ *Teresa & Howard Muniz lit a candle in memory of Loree Marie Rost*



**Teresa & Howard Muniz** - February 04, 2016 at 09:27 AM



“ *So very sorry to hear of Loree's passing. She was such a wonderful teacher. I know without a doubt she could teach anyone how to spell. She was a such a special person. She will be playing the organ and singing in heaven. Prayers for all the family.*  
*Carolyn Jatzlau*

**Carolyn Jatzlau** - February 04, 2016 at 08:02 AM

MS

“ *Michelle Schuetz lit a candle in memory of Loree Marie Rost*



**Michelle Schuetz** - February 03, 2016 at 09:02 PM

MS

*I am so sorry for your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God give you all strength, comfort and peace during this time and the days ahead. Mrs. Rost will be missed by many, she was my teacher at the middle school and also sang with her at church in the choir.*

*Michelle Schuetz*

**Michelle Schuetz** - February 03, 2016 at 09:06 PM

ST

“ *My sincere sympathy to the Rost family especially PD. My thoughts and prayers are that you find peace knowing she is in a better place.*



*Sandy Tietjen.*

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**Sandy Tietjen** - February 03, 2016 at 08:26 PM

AW

“ *I am so sorry to hear of her passing. I feel I have known her all of my life. I remember being part of the children's choir at the church. I also worked for her and her husband at their restaurant when I was in school. When we married 42 yrs ago she was the organist. Grew up with her children also. RIP dear Mrs. Rost!*

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**Angie Wiederhold** - February 03, 2016 at 07:37 PM

CB

“ *Our condolences and sympathies to the family and friends of Loree. She was a very dear friend and wonderful neighbor for so many years. Everyone who knew her recognized that she was a terrific mother, an excellent teacher and a dedicated educator who took great pride in her profession. May she rest in peace and may God Bless her and the members of her family.*

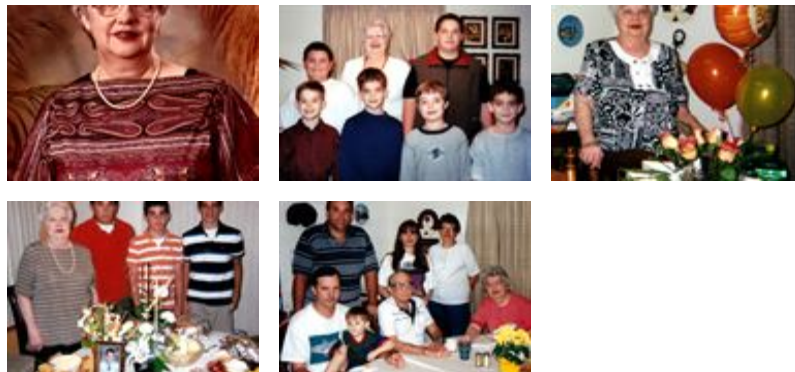
*Carey & Ruthie Boethel*

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**Carey Boethel** - February 03, 2016 at 04:15 PM



“ 36 files added to the album Life Tributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - February 03, 2016 at 11:40 AM

IM

*To the Rost children: Thank you so very much for sharing these beautiful memorable pictures of your dear Mom, may she rest in peace. The pictures took me back a long way in time! I can still remember each one of you, with Mari Loree being the baby!!! I worked for your mom and dad at the restaurant for years, they were super nice to me. I have, since then, moved to Houston. It was such an honor having to work for them. May your beautiful parents rest in peace. Again, thanks a million for sharing. You guys have grown to be such handsome adults. God bless each one of you.....Irma*

Irma Cantu Manzanarez - February 03, 2016 at 01:18 PM

LC

“ Linda Cook lit a candle in memory of Loree Marie Rost



Linda Cook - February 03, 2016 at 12:28 AM