



Louis Martin Wiederhold Jr

March 8, 1927 - January 6, 2018

Louis Martin Wiederhold, Jr., age 90, passed away peacefully on the evening of January 6, 2018, with family by his side. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, January 13th, 2:30 p.m., at St. John's Lutheran Church in Deanville, Texas, with Pastor Terry Moon officiating. Burial to follow at St. John's Lutheran Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 11:00 a.m. until noon on Saturday, January 13th at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Caldwell, Texas.

Louis was born on March 8, 1927 in Deanville, Burleson County, Texas to Louis and Emma (Piwetz) Wiederhold. He was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church in Deanville, and graduated from Caldwell High School.

Too young to serve during World War II, Louis served at home writing Luther League newsletters for overseas service members from the Deanville community and St. John's congregation. He registered for the draft and was enlisted in the United States Army in 1945, stationed in Berlin, Germany until 1946.

After completing his military service, Louis, like several of his brothers, left the family farm for the booming post-war economy in the Houston area. Louis married his childhood sweetheart Lillie Mae ("Toody") Helmke of Deanville on September 4, 1948 at First Lutheran Church in Pasadena, Texas. He enjoyed

a successful career with Shell Oil Company in Deer Park, Texas from 1948 until retirement as a supervisor in 1987. Louis and Toody resided in Pasadena for 64 years. They were active members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, where Louis devoted countless hours of service through various roles and committees. Louis was a dedicated husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, and a favored leisure activity throughout his life was playing cards and dominoes with his brothers.

In retirement, Louis found joy in crafting wooden folk toys and gifting them to others. He and Toody staged neighborhood garage sales, more for making friends than for making profit. They spent time at a second home in Caldwell – frequenting services at St. John’s Lutheran Church, and enjoying annual events such as the Kolache Festival and family reunions. Louis is also fondly remembered by many for his harmonica rendition of “You Are My Sunshine.”

Louis is preceded in death by his wife, Lillie Mae (Helmke) Wiederhold; parents, Louis and Emma (Piwetz) Wiederhold; six brothers, Elroy, Herbert, Raymond, Alton, Ewald, and Arthur Wiederhold; and one sister, Lela (Wiederhold) Koeppen.

Louis is survived by brother and sister-in-law, Doyle and Mildred (Brinkman) Wiederhold; sister-in-law, Hilda (Zwernemann) Wiederhold; brother, George Wiederhold; sister-in-law, Nell (Whitely) Helmke; son and daughter-in-law, Don and Debbie Wiederhold; grandchildren, Jennifer and Colin Stanley, Erin and Stephen Weaver, Tommy Lumsford, and Daniel Wiederhold; as well as four great-grandchildren, Ryan Lumsford Drake, Shelby Weaver, Carter Stanley, and Henry Stanley.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to St. John’s Lutheran Church or United Partners-Pflugerville at www.unitedpartnerspf.org

Cemetery Details

St. Johns Lutheran Church Cemetery

2609 FM 60
Deanville, TX 77852

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **13**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Caldwell
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Church Service

JAN **13**. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

St. Johns Lutheran Church
FM 60 & FM 111
Deanville, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Louis Martin Wiederhold Jr*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - January 13, 2018 at 10:45 AM