



Marvin William Walther

July 16, 1939 - March 21, 2015

Marvin William Walther of Houston, Texas (formerly of Giddings, Texas) joined his Heavenly Father on March 21, 2015 at the age of 75, after a battle with leukemia. He was born July 16, 1939 in Warda, Texas, the first child of parents Wilhelm (Willie) and Anita Walther, who baptized him into the Christian faith two weeks after he was born. On April 11, 1954, he was confirmed at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Warda, where he received the verse that guided him during his life: "I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit" (John 15:5).

Living his early years in Central Texas, Marvin keenly understood the importance of faith, family, and being obedient to God's will in his life. At age 17, Marvin enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, where he honorably served his country for nine years throughout Texas, Mississippi, Colorado, England, Guam and Vietnam.

While stationed in Colorado, he met the love of his life, Carolyn Smith. They were united in Holy Matrimony on August 7, 1960, and began their life together in Austin. Marvin led a long and fulfilling life, retiring in 1994 after 28 years as a field engineering specialist with IBM. Then he moved to the country, where he reconnected with his rural roots, growing and selling hay, hunting deer, and clearing lakes and ponds of their fish.

Rooted in a strong Christian faith, Marvin was a dedicated member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Warda, Texas. He was also an active member of American Legion York Post 276 and Lee County Wildlife. His omnipresent smile and enthusiasm were admired by everyone.

Marvin was preceded in death by his parents Willie and Anita Walther; brother-in-law Phil Going; brother-in-law Dick Smith; and good friends Frank Peters and Ed Richter.

Marvin is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Carol Walther; son Rodney and Susan Walther of Sugar Land, Texas; daughter Glenda and Curtis Davis of Giddings, Texas; daughter Karen and Jimmy Roberts of Spring, Texas; nine grandchildren (Lee and Brittany Davis, Kimberly and Billy Davis, James and Briana Davis, Tony and Natasha Davis, Lisa and Lance Sublett, Justin Roberts, Jordan Roberts, Brian Walther, and Kaitlyn Roberts); five great-grandchildren (Ariel Davis, Kaleigh Davis, Addison Davis, Tyler Davis, and Brielle Roberts); sister Shirley Going of Round Top, Texas; sister Mary and Bill Peikert of Athens, Texas; sister-in-law Ann Smith of Colorado; brother-in-law Don Smith of Colorado; sister-in-law Jo Ann Inman of Colorado and numerous “kinfolk” of nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

As a memorial, Marvin requested that donations be made out to Holy Cross Lutheran Church—Outreach to benefit their evangelism program.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Warda, Texas with Rev. Dennis Tegtmeier officiating. Burial, with military honors provided by the Giddings American Legion York Post 276, will immediately follow in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00

a.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Tuesday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. and a prayer service will be held at 7:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery

600 FM 1482
Warda, TX 78960

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 24. 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin St.
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Church Service

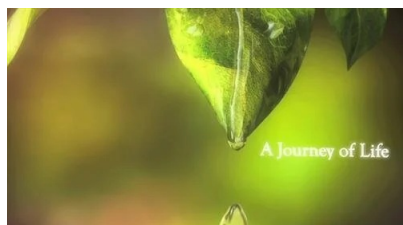
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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Marvin William Walther*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - March 23, 2015 at 01:31 PM

BM

“ *Dearest Carol and family, Shirley, and Mary Helen - I am so sorry to hear that Marvin has passed away. He was always so sweet to us when we visited in Warda, and is one of the most genuinely nice people I have ever met. Please know you will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

God bless you.

Barbara (Hein) Montgomery

San Angelo, TX

Barbara Montgomery - March 25, 2015 at 11:40 PM

MD

“ *Rodney, my heart goes out to you and your family. I am so very sorry for your loss. I am praying for God to give you His strength and comfort during this sad time.*

Michelle Devlin

Michelle Devlin - March 25, 2015 at 01:02 PM

DM

“ We are so sorry to hear of the loss of Marvin. He will be greatly missed.

Dianna & Clarence Mitschke - March 24, 2015 at 04:43 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marvin William Walther.



March 24, 2015 at 03:09 PM

GH

“ Grover Hillbolt purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Marvin William Walther.



Grover Hillbolt - March 24, 2015 at 02:14 PM



“ 2 files added to the album LifeTributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - March 24, 2015 at 09:11 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marvin William Walther.*



March 24, 2015 at 08:59 AM



“ *America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of Marvin William Walther.*



March 24, 2015 at 08:46 AM



“ *OUR HEARTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL. IN CHRIST, WITH LOVE-SANDRA AND FRITZ KRUSTCHINSKY, SHEILA FAYE KNOX*

SHEILA FAYE KNOX - March 24, 2015 at 02:54 AM



“ *Sympathy and condolences, Rodney and Family. Bill Stevenson*

b stevenson - March 23, 2015 at 03:40 PM

GM

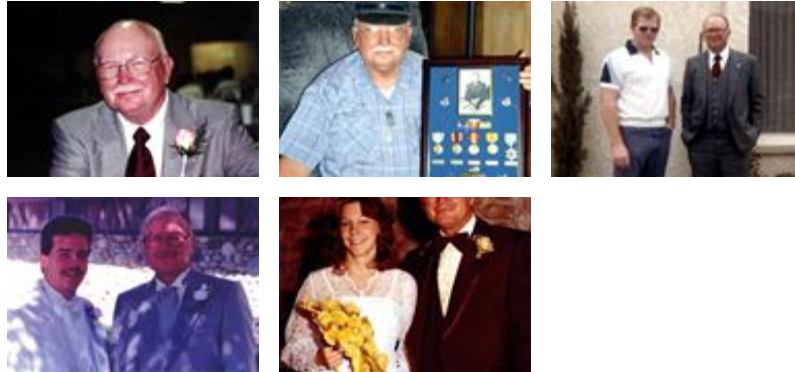
“ Gail Walther, Paula, Mark, and Michael purchased the Blooming Garden Basket for the family of Marvin William Walther.



Gail Walther, Paula, Mark, and Michael - March 23, 2015 at 03:20 PM



“ 53 files added to the album Life Tributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - March 23, 2015 at 01:14 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marvin William Walther.



March 23, 2015 at 10:51 AM

AS

“ You have been a wonderful example to family and friends. I treasure our times during visits to your home with you and family. You are a good man in all ways and have lived your faith on a daily basis.
You are missed.
Ann

Ann Smith - March 23, 2015 at 08:40 AM

MF

“ Mary Peters & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Marvin William Walther.



Mary Peters & Family - March 23, 2015 at 07:43 AM