



## Norma Jean Dessens

October 29, 1932 - August 20, 2020

Norma Jean Dessens, age 87 of Houston, passed away Thursday, August 20, 2020 in the Gardens of Bellaire Nursing Home in Houston.

Graveside services are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Rockdale along with a Celebration of Life for her son, Steven Dessens. Visitation is also Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Rockdale.

Norma Jean was born October 29, 1932 in Taylor to Adolph and Clara (Haverland) Eulenfeld. On November 22, 1953, she and Bill Dessens were married in Taylor. She worked as an executive secretary for Palais Royal in Houston. Norma Jean was a member of Tallowood Baptist Church in Houston.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Adolph and Clara Eulenfeld; Husband, Bill Dessens of June 16, 2014 and son, Steven Dessens on January 12, 2018.

Surviving are two sons, David Dessens and wife Lisa of Winnipeg, Canada and Mark Dessens and wife Yvette of Houston; Half-sister, Janice Gambill and husband Dale of Austin and four grandchildren, Adrien Dessens, Derek Dessens, Kyle Dessens and Sean Dessens.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 25. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Rockdale  
1041 West Highway 79  
Rockdale, TX 76567  
(512) 446-5454  
phillips\_luckey@yahoo.com  
<https://www.phillipsandluckey.com/>

## Graveside Service

AUG 25. 10:30 AM (CT)

I.O.O.F. Cemetery  
850 N. Main St.  
Rockdale, TX 76567

# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Norma Jean Dessens*



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**Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home** - August 25, 2020 at 09:21 PM



“ *Norma and I were good friends and next door neighbors all through our high school years in Taylor, Texas. We enjoyed sitting in the vee branch of the big old hackberry tree in her yard as we planned our futures. We went our separate ways, but kept in touch over the years at class reunions and family funerals. I know she is happy to be reunited with Bill, Steven, and her parents. May she rest in peace.*

*Julia Lightner Johnson*

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**Julia Johnson** - August 29, 2020 at 01:59 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Yellow and White was purchased for the family of Norma Jean Dessens.*



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August 24, 2020 at 02:46 PM

KY

“ Kyle and Sean / Mark and Yvette purchased the In Her Honor Casket Spray for the family of Norma Jean Dessens.



Kyle and Sean / Mark and Yvette - August 24, 2020 at 12:27 PM



“ Multicolor Bright Mixed Flower Fireside Basket was purchased for the family of Norma Jean Dessens.



August 24, 2020 at 10:51 AM



“ Multicolor Bright Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Norma Jean Dessens.



August 24, 2020 at 10:38 AM

LG

“ Loving bro/sis - Tallowood Bible Basic Connect Grp purchased the Sympathy Arrangement In Basket (Large) - Pink & White for the family of Norma Jean Dessens.



Loving bro/sis - Tallowood Bible Basic Connect Grp - August 23, 2020 at 06:44 PM

OS

“ Have fond memories of Bill and Norma as she and I were wives of two great musicians.  
They came to Giddings for Bill to play with Jim's group at the Lee County fair  
and also at other places.they were both great people and I am proud to be  
called a friend of them. May God's richest blessings be showered on the family.

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**Ollie Siegeler** - August 22, 2020 at 02:02 PM

MJ

“ We loved Norma so much! So many good times over many years - the camping trips, the reunions, trips to Houston, trips to Littlefield. Will miss her a lot but we know she is now in a better place reunited Billy and Steve.

*Thinking of Dave and Mark and their families. May God hold you in the palm of His hand & give you peace.*

Love,  
Mary Jo (Weige) & Toby Smith

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**Mary Jo** - August 22, 2020 at 12:08 PM

PE

“ *Mark, Dave & families:*

*We have so many fond memories of Aunt Norma. She was a wonderful person, a loving Christian woman, and a real trooper. She always had a smile on her face and a good attitude about life, even in her saddest times. God has called this angel home and she is rejoicing to see Uncle Billy, Steve, and her mom & dad. We will miss her and will hold the memories close to our hearts. May God give you strength, comfort & peace.*

*Love to all,  
Penny (Weige) & Keith Kelton  
Greg & Ryan*

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**Penny** - August 22, 2020 at 11:56 AM

MJ

“ *My sweet friend of 58 years. We were neighbors, friends, confidants, and two of our children, her Dave and my Cathy, were inseparable playmates. Norma saw me through many, many rough spots -- the death of my father and the death of our daughter, Cathy. Words cannot describe my love for her. The world is diminished by her absence, and we will meet again at the end of my life. My warmest condolences to her family.  
Mary Johnson, now of Albuquerque, NM, formerly of Houston*

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**Mary Johnson** - August 21, 2020 at 05:02 PM