



## Sue Marie Placke

December 20, 1932 - May 8, 2020

Funeral Services for Sue Marie Placke, 87, of Giddings, will be a private family gathering due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Burial will be in the Dodd Family Cemetery in Beat Five, Texas. Visitation at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings will be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date.

Sue Marie Dodd Placke was born December 20, 1932 at home in the Beat Five community south of Dime Box, Texas, the daughter of John Bert and Sue Ella (Wood) Dodd. She grew up on the farm where cotton and corn were raised. She didn't like to pick cotton so she convinced her dad to let her weigh and keep record of what everyone else picked. She attended school in Dime Box through the tenth grade at which time she moved to Hearne to live with her oldest sister. She graduated from Hearne High School in 1950.

In 1950, she moved to Houston to live with an aunt and uncle and worked in a bakery. She later moved back to Hearne and worked for the Hearne Democrat newspaper as the Society Editor. She then went to work for the builder of the Post Oak Mall in Bryan/College Station.

After marrying Robert Placke on March 1, 1952, they moved to South Carolina for 9 months where Robert served in the Marine Corps. They moved back to

Giddings and raised three sons, Dennis, James, and Scott. Sue worked at the Giddings Star Newspaper, Fairmont Foods Co., and then as secretary to the Superintendent of Giddings Schools, Don Slocumb. After several years with the school district, she decided to stay home to raise her sons. In 1971, she opened the Sears Catalog Store which she owned and operated until 1995. She also operated Placke's Restaurant in 1983, which later became the Old House Café. After selling the restaurant in the late 1990's, she became a volunteer for MHMR through the Vista program. After finally retiring, she and Robert also served as a tour guide for a local tour bus company making many enjoyable trips to Branson.

Sue's faith in God was always an important part of her life. She was thankful that the Lord had seen her through both the good times as well as the hard times. She joined First Baptist church in 1952 and faithfully served as a committee chairperson and Sunday school teacher for many years.

She took every opportunity to volunteer in school and community activities. She served as president of the PTA where she became a life time member. She served as concession stand coordinator for both football games in the fall and Little League baseball during the summer. Sue enjoyed working at the Lee County Food Bank because she loved helping people. She was a member of the Dime Box Heritage Society and volunteered at the Dime Box Museum.

Her greatest joy came from spending time with her family. She rarely missed an activity involving her husband, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. This included sharing her wealth of knowledge about cooking and baking, especially taking time to teach them how to make her famous pies.

Sue Marie passed the morning of May 8, 2020 at Parkview Nursing and

Rehabilitation in Lockhart, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Robert L. Placke; her son, James R. Placke; sisters, Effie Sweatman, and Nancy Regiene, and brothers, Garwood Dodd and Dan Dodd.

Sue Marie is survived by two sons, Dennis Placke & his wife, Vivian of Lockhart, and Scott Placke & his wife, Becky of San Angelo; her daughter-in-law, Robin Bunch & her husband, Jim of Giddings; eight grandchildren, Travis Placke and his wife, Courtney of San Angelo, Garrett Placke and his wife, Michelle of Beulah, North Dakota, Kyle Placke of Lockhart, Megan Placke of Lockhart, Tucker Placke and his wife, Gayle of Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, Lindy Placke of Lynchberg, Virginia, Deke Placke of San Angelo, and Teagan Placke of San Angelo; five great grandchildren, James Robert Placke of San Angelo, Bailey Placke of San Angelo, Eli Placke of Beulah, North Dakota, Kaylee Placke of Beulah, North Dakota, and Ember Placke of Ft. Bragg, North Carolina; three sisters, Marguerite Lawrence of Giddings, Brennice Koether of Giddings, and Dorothy Koenig of Ledbetter; and two sisters-in-law, Callie Roark and husband John of Belton, and Texene Placke of Giddings.

Serving as pallbearers will be her grandchildren, great grandchildren, and James Jarmon.

The family would like to thank the staff of Parkview Nursing Home in Lockhart and Dr. Katheryn Greiner of the Scott and White Clinic in College Station.

In lieu of flowers, the Placke family request that memorial contributions be made to the Dodd Family Cemetery, 1011 W. Live Oak St., Lockhart, TX 78644 or to the Lee County Food Bank.

# Cemetery Details

## Dodd Family Cemetery

FM 141  
Dime Box, TX 77853

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

MAY 12. 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings  
3950 East Austin Street  
Giddings, TX 78942

## Public Visitation

MAY 13. 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM (CT)

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3950 East Austin Street  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Sue Marie Placke*

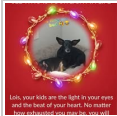


Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - May 11, 2020 at 06:48 PM



*Such a beautiful tribute of an amazing lady. I wish I would have had an opportunity to meet and get to know her. I know the memories everyone have of her will live on.* 🙏💕

liz velasquez - May 13, 2020 at 08:39 PM



*Such a beautiful and sweet tribute. Fly high sweet lady.*

Lois Taylor - May 14, 2020 at 03:58 PM



“ *Michelle M Schuetz lit a candle in memory of Sue Marie Placke*



Michelle M Schuetz - May 14, 2020 at 03:54 PM

DN

“ *Ms. Sue was always the sweetest person to me. Prayers and thoughts to the family.*

*Darrel and Vickie Neutzler*

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**Darrel and Vickie Neutzler** - May 13, 2020 at 02:10 PM

JN

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time.*

*Jo Ann (Sell) Nelson*



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**Jo Ann (Sell) Nelson** - May 13, 2020 at 10:13 AM



“ *110 files added to the album LifeTributes*



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**Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home** - May 11, 2020 at 06:36 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sue Marie Placke.



May 11, 2020 at 03:23 PM



“ It won't be the same without Sue Marie. As far back as I can remember there was always Robert and Sue. I did so much of my growing up around them at First Baptist Church in Giddings. They did so much for the youth, but I know they are rejoicing in heaven with each other and with so many others. Sue was a very giving lady, who always had time for anyone who needed it.

Eva Ponfick - May 11, 2020 at 12:18 PM



“ Our deepest Sympathy to you in the loss of your mother and grandmother. Sue was a nice lady, I always admired her. May God be with you and comfort you at this time.



Oranell and Jerrell Dunk

Oranell Dunk - May 09, 2020 at 11:37 AM



“ Praying for your family. Will remember her as a great mom and business person.

RJ and Ruth Nitsche

Ruth Nitsche - May 09, 2020 at 11:15 AM

JH

“ Sue was intelligent, hard-working and generous. She was one of my Sunday School teachers and she was always very good to me and my family. We're going to miss her a lot.

Janis Cowan Hannes - May 09, 2020 at 09:41 AM

JH

“ Janis Cowan Hannes And Calvin Hannes lit a candle in memory of Sue Marie Placke



Janis Cowan Hannes and Calvin Hannes - May 09, 2020 at 09:37 AM



“ I have so many good memories of this wonderful Godly women. Oh how she could cook! One time after Mike and I joined First Baptist(1976), I got the flu and was down a few days. Sue brought me her famous Peppery Chicken and Rice Soup and her Chocolate Pie. Oh my goodness, it was wonderful.

Sometimes there is a great divided between the youth and the older adults of the church. Sue and Robert were both crusaders for the youth. They made sure they were treated fairly when activities were brought up during business meetings. Will always love them for that. She loved her family with her whole heart. Prayers and special thoughts for you all.

"Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praised her." Proverbs 31:28

Mike and Carolyn Jatzlau

Carolyn Jatzlau - May 09, 2020 at 09:17 AM

KR

“ *Kim Russell lit a candle in memory of Sue Marie Placke*



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**Kim Russell** - May 08, 2020 at 11:59 PM

KP

“ *Sue and Robert were such sweet friends to my family when we lived there. The Shepard family is praying for your comfort and peace .*

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**Kim Shepard Parris** - May 08, 2020 at 10:37 PM



“ *Eva Ponfick lit a candle in memory of Sue Marie Placke*



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**Eva Ponfick** - May 08, 2020 at 10:15 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sue Marie Placke.*



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May 08, 2020 at 09:31 PM

MW

“ *She always remembered my name. That was special To me.*

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**mary elizabeth wright.** - May 08, 2020 at 09:00 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sue Marie Placke.*



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May 08, 2020 at 07:51 PM