



## Vernelle Bernice Zoch

July 31, 1931 - March 20, 2023

Funeral services for Vernelle Zoch, 91 of Giddings, are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Giddings with Rev. Robert Tiner and Rev. Joshua Hahn officiating. Burial will follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Monday, March 27, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Monday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Vernelle Bernice (Bieberstein) Zoch was born on July 31, 1931 to Herman & Selma (Felfe) Bieberstein at the home place in Lincoln, Texas. She was baptized August 9, 1931 at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Manheim, Texas and confirmed March 25, 1945 at St. John Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Texas. She married Alfred Walter Zoch on June 23, 1951 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Giddings. They were blessed with four children.

Vernelle and her husband Alfred were part owners of Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home for 40 years. She actively participated in the running of the business whenever help was needed. She would visit daily and make sure that the funeral home employees always had the Austin paper to read every day, even though she knew they never read it. The employees checked on her daily while she was at home and made sure that she had the most current

obituaries and knew of the pending funerals.

Vernelle was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and along with other members prepared and catered many meals and fundraisers. She was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Ladies Aid and helped organize and serve meals for funerals and participated in quilting for Lutheran World Relief. She also assisted with the Braille center at Immanuel and taught Sunday school.

Vernelle played women's softball and coached girls Little League Softball. She enjoyed time with her family, cooking, fishing, camping, traveling, and doing word search puzzles. She enjoyed growing red roses that bloomed at Easter and growing vegetables in her garden, especially pickles for canning. She was known for her Wendish cheese coffee cakes and making homemade Oreos. She taught her children, grandchildren, and great granddaughter Madison how to make turkey and dressing for Thanksgiving – telling them “that’s the way it has always been done”. At family gatherings she couldn’t wait for the opportunity to ask before the common table prayer if there were any announcements that need to be made, excited about the prospect of another wedding or great grandchild to extend her family.

Vernelle passed away the morning of Monday, March 20, 2023 at Oakland Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Giddings, Texas.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Herman & Selma Bieberstein; husband, Alfred; son-in-law, Bill Brademan Jr.; great grandchild, Cody Raemhild; sisters and brothers-in-law, Viola Church, Elyne & Leroy Niemtschk, Lucille & Roy Walther, and Glory Mae Bieberstein; parents-in-law, Carl M. and Maria (Prellop) Zoch; sisters-in-laws & brothers-in-laws, Alvina & Ben Lehmann, Louise & Marvin Mitschke, Hattie & Oscar Menzel, Albert & Lorine Zoch, Herbert & Lorene Zoch, and Marvin Zoch.

Vernelle is survived by her children, Denise Brademan of Lexington, Clyde & Penny Zoch of Lincoln, Lisa & Ronnie Petzold of Giddings, and Susan & Glenn Karisch of Giddings; fourteen grandchildren, Elizabeth Brademan, William & Carla Brademan, Cameron & Jenny Brademan, Joe & Holli Carter, David Campbell, Jeffrey Zoch, Jessica & Colby Handrick, Donovan & Brooke Prihoda, Stephen & Alaina (Dock) Petzold, Heather & Eulalio Perez, Lindsey Petzold, Jordan & Colton Schimank, Jacob & Sydney Karisch, and Joshua Karisch; ten great grandchildren, Camila Brademan, Charley Brademan, Emma Brademan, Kayla Carter, Cassidy Walker, Madison Prihoda, Jaxon Handrick, Brianna Compton, Alex Perez, and David Perez; one great, great grandchild, Kylie Walker. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Pallbearers will be William Brademan, Cameron Brademan, David Campbell, Jeffrey Zoch, Donovan Prihoda, Stephen Petzold, Jacob Karisch, and Joshua Karisch.

Honorary pallbearers will be Joe Carter, Colby Handrick, Colton Schimank, Paul Kipp, Kurtis Hankemeier, Eric Dawson, Wallace Jones, Stephen Jones, Gracille Lillard, and Johnathan Noack.

Vernelle's family would like to thank Dr. Thomas Borgstedt, Oakland Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, and Hospice Brazos Valley for their care of their Mom.

In lieu of flowers the family request that memorials be given to Immanuel Lutheran Church's Ring the Bell Campaign, Immanuel's Mary Martha Servants, or Hospice Brazos Valley.

# Cemetery Details

## Giddings City Cemetery (Section C)

900 West Austin Street  
Giddings, TX 78942

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 27. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Family Present for Visitation

MAR 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Visitation

MAR 28. 7:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings  
3950 East Austin Street  
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## Funeral Service

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MAR 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church  
300 North Grimes Street  
Giddings, TX 78942

# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Vernelle Bernice Zoch*



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**Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home** - March 25, 2023 at 01:47 PM

MN

*Aunt Vernelle was such a remarkable person. She was such a blessing to all those around her. Her family was greatly blessed to have such a strong Christian in their lives. One of the things I remember most about Aunt Vernelle was the fabulous Thanksgiving meals she prepared, especially the noodles.*

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**Michael Nlemtschk** - March 26, 2023 at 08:00 PM

JW

“ *My sincere condolences to all of her sweet family. May God give you peace and comfort.*

*Janis and Quatie Wolfshohl*

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**Janis Wolfshohl** - March 27, 2023 at 05:00 PM

JN

“ Sincerest sympathy to the family. Many memories of the years we lived next door and my husband, Jack Hart, worked at the funeral home.

*Jo Ann Nelson and family*



**Jo Ann Nelson** - March 27, 2023 at 04:50 PM

VA

“ Please accept our sincere condolences. May you find peace and comfort during this difficult time.

**Visiting Angels** - March 27, 2023 at 07:57 AM



“ 116 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home** - March 25, 2023 at 01:37 PM

CG

“ Such a precious, precious soul. I haven't seen Mrs. Zach in many years but her sweet smile and wonderful laugh bring back sweet memories. To her family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Clyde Charisse [Jones] Golden.

**Charisse Golden** - March 23, 2023 at 04:40 PM

VF

“ Violet Frosch lit a candle in memory of Vernelle Zoch



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**Violet Frosch** - March 23, 2023 at 11:42 AM

CN

“ My thoughts are with you, she was always a kind person and I remember visiting the home as a child growing up with Susan. Peace be to you all in your time of sorrow.

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**Carol (Lehmann) Nolen** - March 23, 2023 at 10:08 AM

BW

“ We are sorry to hear of the loss of one of the Bieberstein cousins. Vernelle gave so much of her time to the community and left a wonderful legacy of service and love for each other.

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**Barbara Wilson** - March 22, 2023 at 11:42 AM

CF

“ So sorry to hear about the loss of Mrs. Zoch. I can remember her when my grandparents were at the funeral home. Always such a sweet lady. Our deepest condolences. Rest In Peace Vernelle.

*Jerry and Carolyn Faske*

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**Carolyn Faske** - March 22, 2023 at 08:41 AM

JS

“ *Our a deepest condolences to you and your family.*

*Gone from earth, yet she will never be forgotten.*

*Gary & Janice Schneider*



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**Janice A Schneider** - March 21, 2023 at 01:27 PM