



Viola Olivia Ahlhorn Mutschink

January 10, 1923 - October 18, 2019

Funeral services for Viola Mutschink, 96, of Katy, Texas are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Friday, October 25, 2019 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Giddings with Rev. Wilbern Michalk and Rev. Robert Tiner officiating. Burial will follow in the Giddings City Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Thursday, October 24, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Friday, October 25, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Thursday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Viola Olivia Ahlhorn Mutschink was born on January 10, 1923 in Ledbetter, Texas to Charles J. and Alma M. (Boehme) Ahlhorn. She was united in marriage to Rev. Carl Herbert Mutschink on July 30, 1939 in Giddings, Texas. She was a seamstress. She was a member of Bethel Lutheran Church in Morton, Illinois and served her Church in all different positions. She enjoyed sewing, quilting, reading, cooking, especially making cinnamon rolls, her outreach in Church and spending time with her family and friends. She always was up on current events and what is happening with her family and friends. Viola was known for her talents as a gifted seamstress. She sewed for her family and friends. All was a joy to have this opportunity.

Viola passed away the afternoon of Friday, October 18, 2019 at Houston Methodist Hospital in Katy.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Charles & Alma Ahlhorn; husband, Rev. Carl Mutschink; son-in-law, Rev. Richard Benke; grandson, Rev. Steven Benke; brother, Leon Ahlhorn; two sisters, Delphine Ahlhorn and Lorena Pietsch.

Viola is survived by her daughter, Carlee Benke of Illinois; granddaughter, Dawn Conrad and her husband, Joel of Virginia; grandson, Mark Benke and his wife, Nicole of Katy; four great grandchildren, Kate Benke of Missouri, Rick Benke of Missouri, Josh Conrad and his fiancée, Abby Holmes of Missouri and Andrew Benke of Katy; brother, Delbert Ahlhorn of Paige and cousin Bernice Wessels of Houston.

Serving as pallbearers will be Donny Ahlhorn, Larry Ahlhorn, Andrew Benke, Kate Benke, Mark Benke, and Joel Conrad.

Memorials may be made to Bethel Lutheran Church, 325 E. Queenwood Road, Morton, Illinois 61550, Immanuel Lutheran Church, 300 North Grimes street, Giddings, Texas 78942 or to a charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

Giddings City Cemetery (Section C)

900 West Austin Street
Giddings, TX 78942

Previous Events

Family Present for Visitation

OCT **24**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
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Church Service

OCT **25**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church
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Tribute Wall

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“ Aunt Viola was a remarkable woman, and the embodiment of a grace-filled life. A true child of God, her focus was always on faith and family. She had such an intrepid spirit, and we marveled at her ability to travel alone, driving to Texas from Illinois for family reunions, and later making the same trip by plane and train. She was outgoing and friendly, with a kind and compassionate heart. She enjoyed telling stories about her childhood and family history, and loved each family member with her whole heart.



When she rode with us to this year's Ahlhorn Reunion, she brought some boxes with her. One of the boxes contained neatly rolled balls of string, which she had carefully saved from the stacks of laundry delivered to her room. She also brought unopened bags of snacks which were given to her at the senior community in which she lived. Once we arrived, she carefully perched herself by the door through which all of the family members would enter. She said she didn't want to miss seeing a single person, and as they filed in, she offered them a ball of string or some snacks. We still have our ball of string, sitting in a string holder on a shelf in our den. String, by its very nature, is strong, versatile, and helpful, always giving of itself, just like Aunt Viola. There is beauty in simplicity, and that little token is a sweet reminder of Aunt Viola's caring, thoughtful nature which we will always treasure.

She inspired us with her courage in facing her physical challenges, unexpected changes, and personal tragedies throughout the course of her lifetime. We were always better people for having spent time with her, and although we miss her so very much, we know she is happy, healthy, and safe with God. The wisdom and life lessons she freely shared will never be forgotten, and her earthly influence will last long after her departure.

With loving thoughts,
Kenneth and Susan Ahlhorn

Kenneth and Susan Ahlhorn - October 24, 2019 at 11:05 PM

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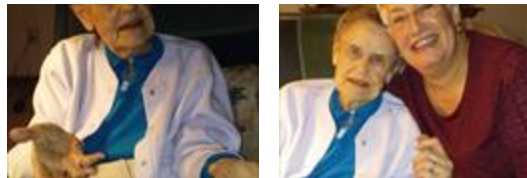
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Dawn B Conrad - October 20, 2019 at 12:53 AM

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Dawn B Conrad - October 20, 2019 at 12:51 AM

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“ *Viola lived a long happy life and drove alone from Chicago to Giddings to visit family until very late on life. It is too bad she had a fall recently. She will be rejoicing with her loved ones in heaven. RIP.*



Barbara Doyle Wilson - October 19, 2019 at 05:07 PM