



## William "Bill" E. Hilton

October 3, 1945 - June 2, 2019

A visitation for William "Bill" Hilton, 73, of Giddings, is scheduled for Thursday, June 6, 2019 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.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. The funeral service and burial will be private.

William Emerson Hilton was born on October 3, 1945 in the community of Cayuga, Texas. He was the son of Emerson and Rose (Pugh) Hilton. Following his graduation from Giddings High School in 1965, Bill studied banking and finance. On July 2, 1966, he and Diann Michalk were married at the First Baptist Church in Giddings. They had two children, Shane and Keri. Bill worked briefly for Alcoa before he moved to Victoria where he worked as a loan officer for South Texas Savings and Loan and retired from Executive Planning where he worked with annuities. While living in Victoria, he was active with the Royal Ambassadors at Northside Baptist Church where he served as a group leader. He also coached and served on the board of the Victoria Little League. Bill loved sports and along with coaching baseball for several years, he was also a football referee. He loved fishing and was also a certified scuba diver. He spent many hours with Shane restoring cars, with Bill doing most of the paintwork. First and foremost, Bill will be remembered for the love he had for his family.

Several years ago, Bill began a hard-fought battle against Parkinson's

Disease. As the disease continued to progress, the hope, support, and care from his family never wavered. Bill peacefully passed away the afternoon of Sunday, June 2, 2019 at Park Manor Bee Cave.

He was preceded in death by his father and stepmother, Emerson & Clayton Hilton; his mother and stepfather, Rose & Elden "Judge" Matthijetz and a brother-in-law, Curtis Namken.

Bill is survived by his wife, Diann Hilton of Giddings; his son and daughter-in-law, Shane & Laura Hilton of Lakeway; his daughter and son-in-law, Keri & Paul Pennington of Leander; four grandchildren, Hunter Hilton of Lakeway, Hannah Pennington of Leander, Clay Pennington and Jordan of Leander, and Hope Pennington of Leander; one great grandson, Brantley Pennington of Leander; his sister, Carolyn Hodges & her husband, Dennis of Grandbury; his parents-in-law, Herbert & Ima Jo Michalk of Giddings; two sisters-in-law, Donna Namken of Giddings and Valla Blasig & her husband, Donnie of Giddings; one brother-in-law, Gaylon Michalk & his wife, Becky of Victoria, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Bill's nephews, Dustyn Blasig, Derryk Blasig, Dentyn Blasig, Shannon Namken, Brandon Namken, Daryn Namken and Justin Michalk.

Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

# Cemetery Details

## St. John Lutheran Cemetery

8417 FM 141  
Dime Box, TX 77853

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 6. 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Family Present for Visitation

JUN 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William "Bill" E. Hilton*



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**Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home** - June 05, 2019 at 04:37 PM

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“ *I remember Bill from our days at GHS and First Baptist Church in Giddings. At one time, our mother's worked together. He was always the nicest guy you would ever want to meet. My deepest sympathy to his family.*

*Ruth Graeter Crouch  
Bulverde, Texas*

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**Ruth Crouch** - June 10, 2019 at 07:37 PM

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“ *Janis Cowan Hannes lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Hilton*



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**Janis Cowan Hannes** - June 10, 2019 at 01:29 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of William "Bill" E. Hilton.*



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June 06, 2019 at 04:18 PM



“ *Diann I'm so sorry to hear this sad news. Praying for you and your family during this difficult time.*

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**Janie Eichler Droemer** - June 06, 2019 at 08:54 AM



“ *Michelle Schuetz lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" E. Hilton*

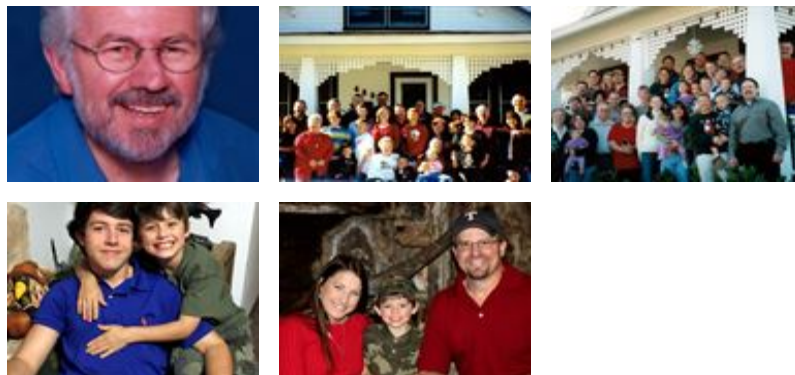


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**Michelle Schuetz** - June 05, 2019 at 06:20 PM



“ *66 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home** - June 05, 2019 at 03:29 PM

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“ *Patsy Steglich lit a candle in memory of  
William "Bill" E. Hilton*



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**Patsy Steglich** - June 04, 2019 at 09:27 AM