



Dolores Marie Gerken

September 26, 1936 - October 27, 2017

Dolores Marie Gerken, 81, of Needville, went to her heavenly home on Oct. 27, 2017. She was born in Jackson County to William (Bill) and Mary Nesvadba on Sept. 26, 1936. She was a loving mother, grandmother, sister and friend to many.

A memorial service will be held at 6:00 p.m., Friday, Nov. 3, 2017 in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg with Father William D. Bartniski officiating.

Dolores led a very dynamic life. When she wasn't working in her flower beds or repotting plants to give away, she was making jellies or baking treats for her church family, friends and even the family dogs. She was an avid reader. She was active in the Needville American Legion Auxiliary Post #350 as their Chaplain. You could find her at the Oak Bend Medical Center working as a volunteer up to two years ago. She attended Bible study classes at Holy Rosary Church and St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Each week she would help cut fabrics for quilts, bibs, and walker bags for the SPJST Nursing Home, Reliable Oaks and the Lutheran quilt projects. She was always a friendly face when she worked at First State Bank in Needville and Ace Hardware.

She enjoyed her social hours with the Golden Girls, a self-proclaimed group of ladies who loved taking trips together and playing Mexican Train dominoes for

entertainment. This group of ladies and their friendships were very important to Dolores.

She is preceded in death by her parents. Dolores is survived by her son Tracy Gerken and wife, Carol of Needville, son Mark Gerken and wife Kathleen of Birmingham, Alabama, granddaughters, Kelsey Gerken, Lisa Brownlee (Jacob), Shelbie Donze (Michael) and Hayley Gerken, and sister, Linda Engle of Keller.

Memorial donations may be made to the Charity of your Choice.

Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the family at www.davisgreenlawnfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home, 3900 B.F. Terry Blvd., Rosenberg, Texas 77471, Phone: 281-341-8800.

Tribute Wall

BS

“ Fate always seems to get in the way of our paths. Granny D, we didnt see it coming. We will miss your deviled eggs at Christmas, your hugs, and most of all how you made sure every animal felt loved. We have great reminders of your green thumb right outside our door, you will never be forgotten. We love you, the Sacra's.

Breck Sacra - November 07, 2017 at 11:09 PM

MH

“ My sincere sympathy to Dolores' family. She truly was a kind and giving person who helped so many. Her smile could light up a room and made everyone feel good. "Grieve not that she is no more, rejoice in that she was." Marcella Hackstedt

Marcella Hackstedt - November 06, 2017 at 08:16 PM

Janice Mathews

“ Janice Mathews lit a candle in memory of Dolores Marie Gerken



Janice Mathews - November 02, 2017 at 09:09 AM

DW

“ *The ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 350 of Needville are in extreme disbelief and wish to express our most sincere compassion and sympathy. It will take us forever to get over this great loss. She was the most dedicated and sincere worker in our small group and we are still in deep sadness over her loss. We are confident that time and Our Lord & Savior will help us to cope, but she will always be in our thoughts and prayers, as will you and your families . God Bless you & Carol, Mark & Kat as well as your families. Ladies of the Needville ALA Unit No. 350.*

Dorothy N. Wieghat - November 01, 2017 at 03:37 PM

GK

“ *Dear Tracy and Mark:
It is with great sorrow and sadness to read about your mothers passing in today's local paper.
Please bear the shock manly. I lost my dear mother almost 2 years ago and so know too well what the loss meant at that moment in time.
Time is a great healer, and it will, as it did in my case.
I can't help but think about the grandchildren being heartbroken with the holidays upon us and any plans made with her is for naught.

It's time to complete that Colorado river trip we started 40+ years ago.*

*With deepest sympathy
Gary Kolar*

Gary Kolar - October 31, 2017 at 05:49 PM

RP

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. Delores was such a kind, loving woman and she was such a dear friend of my sister and I know that she will be missed. May God Richly Bless the entire family at this time of sadness. God will take care of you as He knows best. Roma Dell Bender Preiss, Goliad, Texas*



Roma Preiss - October 30, 2017 at 09:32 PM

KP

“ *Members of the bible study classes at Holy Rosary Catholic Church would like to offer our prayers and sympathies to the family of Delores.
We have thoroughly enjoyed her presence in bible study, and she will be missed.
With deepest sympathies,
Deacon Brick Hodge
Monday & Wednesday
Bible study classes*

Kathi Poncik - October 30, 2017 at 02:03 PM