



## Ella Mae (Kraft) Seiler Brown

June 29, 1933 - December 15, 2017

Ella Kraft Seiler Brown, of Rosenberg, Texas passed away on December 15, 2017 along with her husband of almost 36 years, James Steven Brown. She was born in Needville, Texas, the daughter of Hugo Kraft Sr. and Ella Meyer Kraft.

Ella grew up in the Woodrow Community near the Brazos Bend State Park and graduated from Needville High School. After attending Wharton County Junior College, she was employed by the Federal Government with the Selective Service System in Fort Bend County. After the Vietnam War ended, she transferred to a position with the Texas Department of Health as a Medical Records Transcriptionist and was later promoted to the Texas Department of Health in Public Health Region 8. Ella was the designer of the Veterans War Memorial located on the lawn of the Fort Bend County Courthouse.

Ella was then employed by Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Homes and Cemeteries as a Receptionist and Counselor and was later promoted to Family Service Manager, a position she held until her retirement in 2007.

Ella is a paternal great-granddaughter and descendant of pioneer German immigrants Johann Heinrich and Katherine Roege Kraft, and Conrad and Margarethe Roege, first founders of New Braunfels, Texas and first founders

of the First German Protestant Church of New Braunfels.

She was baptized and confirmed in the First English Lutheran Church of Damon, which was founded by her maternal grandparents Charles Meyer of Berlin, Germany and Helene Damek Meyer of Ostrava, Austria.

Ella was a certified member of Texas First Families and registered with the State Genealogical Society. She was an active member in the Grand Lodge of the Sons of Hermann and the Daughters of the Republic of Texas in the Fort Settlement Chapter in Sugar Land. She was a member of the Comal County Genealogical Society, Sophienberg Museum Society of New Braunfels, German-Texan Heritage Society of Austin, and a past member of the Fort Bend County Chapter of the Texas German Society.

Ella was preceded in death by her daughter Sharon Seiler Davis, her parents Hugo Sr. and Ella Meyer Kraft, a sister and brother-in-law Helen and Max Mahlmann, a brother and sister-in-law Hilbert C. and Lillie Kraft and a brother Hugo Kraft Jr., niece Jean Elaine Mahlmann, nephew Leslie Seiler and step-son Taylor Brown.

Survivors are her son Charles E. Seiler and wife Patty Dornbach Seiler of Richmond, and son-in-law Syd 'Ren' Davis III of Richmond. Grandchildren Penny Davis Meek of Richmond, Julie Davis Gaston and husband Robert of Needville, Amy Davis Dybala and husband Chris of Rosenberg, Nathan Seiler and Jennifer Spivey of Richmond, and Brent Seiler and Amber Gallagher of Rosenberg. Great-grandchildren Cody Meek and Morgan Meek.

Survivors also include step-children Melody Tylich of Houston and husband Jim, Sally Kubecka and husband David of Houston. Step-grandchildren Elissa Dornbach Norris and husband Josh of Cypress, Krissy Dornbach Lacey and husband Chris of New Braunfels, April Brown Buckingham and husband Brian

of Denton, Sterling Kubecka of Houston, and Garland Kubecka of Pearland. Step great-grandchildren Carter Norris, Brody Norris, Alexa Ivory, Austin Buckingham, and Bailey Buckingham.

Ella answered to many names, Mom, Mother, Nanny, Ms. Mae, Ms. Ella by her co-workers, and was fondly referred to as Aunt Mae by her many nieces and nephews who remained very close to her.

Visitation will be held from 5:00p.m. – 7:00p.m., Thursday, December 21, 2017 in the chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg.

The funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, December 22, 2017 in the chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg with interment following at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Rosenberg.

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

# Tribute Wall

AK

“ Ashley Kagy lit a candle in memory of Ella Mae (Kraft) Seiler Brown



Ashley kagy - December 22, 2017 at 06:02 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ella Mae (Kraft) Seiler Brown.



December 21, 2017 at 02:57 PM

JK

“ Ella was my mother's cousin, and a big source of support during the deaths of my mother and brother, and later of my father. She was such a model of love, service, and faith during difficult times. I hope the family feels some comfort in warm memories.

Janet Kalman - December 21, 2017 at 11:51 AM

AD

“ I'll miss visiting with you at the grocery store. You were and are a special lady. My heart goes out to your family. May God give them peace.



Anice Divin - December 20, 2017 at 10:44 PM

IM

“ *Iris & Al Meyer lit a candle in memory of Ella Mae (Kraft) Seiler Brown*



Iris & Al Meyer - December 20, 2017 at 03:52 PM

IR

*Sending the family our Deepest Sympathy!  
Ella will be greatly missed! I will miss her smile & encouragement.  
Praying for God to bring healing to her family!  
Love, Iris & Al Meyer*

Iris - December 20, 2017 at 03:57 PM

JS

*Anyone that ever met Ella knew 3 things shortly after the introduction. She loved her whole family, she loved her Texas heritage, and she could cook like nobody's business. I have known Ella and Steve for over a quarter century. I am blessed to have had them be a part of my journey on this earth and I will miss the Facebook and email chats that Ella and i have shared for all these years. You may be gone from our sight, but you and your goodness will forever live on in shared recipes, full bellys and fond, fun memories. I know you are with God! I hope to see you both there one day again!*

Jon A. Shults - December 22, 2017 at 10:32 AM

 Shirley Kraft

“ *A yellow candle for the Yellow Rose of Texas Miss Ella Brown. My cousin and a Daughter of the Republic of Texas. Rest in Peace my dear friend and cousin. My thoughts and prayers go out to her children, family and friends. May the Lord lift each of you up on Eagles Wings and bring you strength and comfort at this time.*



Shirley Kraft - December 20, 2017 at 12:07 PM

MK

“ *Mary Kramer lit a candle in memory of Ella Mae (Kraft) Seiler Brown*



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**Mary Kramer** - December 19, 2017 at 03:54 PM

CV

“ *Charles you had such a sweet and loving Mother. Always that smile on her face and so ready to lend a hand. Heaven has another Angel. My prayers with you and your family.*

*Carol Korthauer Viergutz*

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**Carol Korthauer Viergutz** - December 19, 2017 at 03:16 PM

AK

“ *Ashley Kagy lit a candle in memory of Ella Mae (Kraft) Seiler Brown*



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**Ashley kagy** - December 19, 2017 at 03:01 PM

NR

“ *Wow the memories.. san Felipe park, fireflies . Ella was so awesome . She was always so cheerful and giving, I will miss her smile. She was my substitute mom after my mom passed. She loved her family so much.*

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**Nancy Myska Robeson** - December 19, 2017 at 12:12 AM