



Charles John Erdelt

September 16, 1940 - September 14, 2025

Charles (age 84) was born to Mary (Dettling) Erdelt & Henry Erdelt on September 16, 1940 in the small community of Plainview, Tx near Hillje and Louise, Tx. He attended first grade there and then the family moved to Wharton where he attended Holy Family Catholic school and then Wharton schools.

He worked for Caney Valley Hospital, Gulf Coast Medical Center, and South Texas Medical Center in the Lab and X-ray departments for over 45 years until his retirement in 2009. He was an accomplished woodworker and could do anything he set his mind on doing. He was always inventing things at home for fun and to make things easier.

On September 19, 1964, he married Marie Ann (Mary Ann) Holub in St. Procopius Catholic Church in Louise, Tx.

They were blessed with a son Glenn Erdelt on July 31, 1965. They have one precious granddaughter Lacey Reese (Joey) from Austin, Tx. Charles was preceded in death by his parents Mary and Henry, brother Norbert Erdelt (JoAnn), sister Joyce Gerard (Louis) and youngest brother Don Erdelt. He is survived by his wife Mary Ann, Son Glenn Erdelt, granddaughter Lacey Resse (Joey), sister-in-law Mary Agnes Erdelt, several nieces and nephews, and his loveable cat Kitze.

He died at his residence with his love ones by his side. He will be greatly missed. He managed many health complications during his lifetime, but he always handled them with courage and faith.

Visitation will begin at 9 a.m. on Thursday, September 18 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Wharton. A Rosary will be recited at 9:30 a.m. with the funeral Mass following at 10 a.m., officiated by the Rev. Samuel Appiasi. Private burial services will be held with the family.

Pallbearers will Mark Gerard, Troy Buenger, Erik Erdelt, Joey Reese, Matt Blumrick and Paul Blumrick.

Memorial donations in memory of Charles may be made to Holy Family Catholic Church or donor's choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 18. 9:00 AM (CT)

Holy Family Catholic Church
2011 Briar Lane
Wharton, TX

Rosary

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Funeral Mass

SEP 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GH

“Gerard and Beverly Heffner: our condolences to all your family, Mary Ann, on Charles’ passing. May the Lord be with you during this difficult time.



Gerard Heffner - September 18, 2025 at 09:30 PM

CC

“Rest in Peace Charles, you were such a kind man, you will be missed.

Cookie Cruz - September 18, 2025 at 11:21 AM

VQ

“So sorry for your loss! Please know your family are in my thoughts & prayers! God bless your family & friends! RIP Charles ☐! He will be dearly missed by everyone who knew & love him! Vicky Blair Ustynik Quijas



Vicky Quijas - September 16, 2025 at 02:15 PM

RW

Our deepest sympathy from the Wagner, family Mary & Robert

Robert Wagner - September 22, 2025 at 09:09 PM

VQ

“ *Vicky Quijas lit a candle in memory of Charles John Erdelt*



Vicky Quijas - September 16, 2025 at 02:09 PM

SD

“ *My condolences to the family. Charles was always such a kind person.*



Susan Dettling - September 16, 2025 at 10:19 AM

HT

“ *Mary Ann, Glenn, Lacey & all family members of Charles, Our most sincere sympathy with the passing of Charles. He had strong work ethics, unwavering belief in God & loved his family greatly. May he rest in peace and may perpetual light shine upon him. Rest in peace, Charles*



Helen & Billy Dolezal, Palacios, TX - September 15, 2025 at 01:57 PM



Mary Ann, Glenn, Lacey

We are so sorry for your loss, what a wonderful man he was! I worked with both Mary Ann and Charles at Outlar/Blair Clinic, then South Texas Medical Clinic and Memorial Hermann Medical Group. They both have been a source of encouragement for me all these years. I wanted to see you Charles for our birthdays, but now you can celebrate with all your family waiting for you! God Bless you and rest in peace. You will be missed.

Mary Ann you took such wonderful and loving care of Charles. So much love and devotion.

Always, Barbara.

b - September 15, 2025 at 07:47 PM