



Josephine P. Brandt

October 10, 1926 - April 25, 2014

Josephine P. Brandt of El Campo, passed away April 25, 2014 at the age of 87. She was born October 10, 1926 in Wharton to the late Emanuel J. and Francis Freed Wendel. She was a long-standing member of St. Philip Catholic Church, and was a member of the Catholic Daughters of America Court #1374 and the SPJST #40. Josephine retired from ECISD where she drove a school bus for over 25 years. She loved going to the Heritage Center to play dominoes and visit with friends. She was the type of person that was always willing to help someone and leaves behind many friends.

She was a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and sister, and is survived by her four children, Carl Brandt and wife Sharon of Pace, FL, Glenn Brandt and wife Kathy of Temple, Melissa Lester and husband Ken of Port Lavaca, and Pamela Rosselli and husband Angelo of Sealy, sister Janie Prather of Bay City, 7 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband of 54 years, Alfred H. Brandt.

Visitation will begin 12 noon Friday, May 2, 2014, at Triska Funeral Home with a CDA Rosary being recited at 6:30 pm. The funeral Mass will be 11:00 am Saturday, May 3, 2014 at St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church with Rev. Michael Rother officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Memorial Park in Wharton.

Pallbearers are Brian Parther, Michael Giesalhart, Doug Koudela, Dennis Campbell, Dusty Rhodes and Ron Skinner.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Philip Church, St. Philip School, or the American Heart Assoc.

Tribute Wall

NC

“ I'm so glad I got to know Josephine through family reunions and genealogy searches. She had lots of good family stories, and she wanted each of her children's families to have pictures of their Wendel great-great-grandparents who came to Texas from Germany. I will miss sharing updated records with her. But she has left behind a beautiful family to carry on the love and caring that she gave to others.

Nancy Wendel Routh - Austin, TX - Third cousin - May 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. You were a special friend.
God be with you .
Jeanette and Ken Walla

Jeanette and Ken Walla - El Campo,, TX - friend - May 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ We will surely miss Aunt Josephine. Not only for her kind & loving ways, but her friendship & love meant so much to me. She took us (Brian & I) in as if we were her own children. She was the mother that My Mom could no longer be...We loved her & will truly miss her at the family reunions. Just won't be the same
Love to Carl & Sharon, Angelo & Pamela, Glenn & Kathy, & Ken & Melissa & all the grandchildren.

Janice Sue Jahnsen - Van Vleck, TX, TX - Aunt - April 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ I was saddened to hear of Mrs Brandt's passing, she was several of my kids and grandkids bus driver. She was also a fellow SPJST officer. She loved bingo that is what i will remember about her. She was very giving and accepting of new changes for the better. She was quiet but when she spoke it was with conviction...Thank you Lord for the person i got to know...will miss her dearly...fellow member of SPJST and a thankful parent and grandparent of those she cared for on the bus for those many years...Cathy Villarreal Garcia

Cathy Garcia - El Campo, TX - friend - April 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Dear Brandt Family,

Please accept our sympathy in the loss of your Mom. I believe that I have known her my entire life. She and Mr. Brandt were friends with my parents during their involvement with the VFW. I frequently saw Mrs. Brandt and she was the sweetest lady always with a smile on her face, May she rest in peace.

Diana Naiser Huvar

Diana Naiser Huvar - El Campo, TX - Family friend - April 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Ruth Hanusch - Temple,, TX - Friend - April 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Mrs. Brandt was such an uplifting soul for our school children. I remember her most as the "fishing" bus driver for the Northside 5th graders when they came out to Turner Lake for their annual field trip. After the kids got situated in all their activities I would set up Mrs. Brandt's fishing spot in the shade of an oak tree. She would sit in her chair and catch fish after fish. Throughout the day, on their own, I think nearly every 5th grader stopped and sat by her for a few moments just to watch and hear her tell a story or two. It was common place to hear someone shout out, "Mrs. Brandt caught another one!" This year will be the 10th year for the Turner Lake field trips. Won't be quite the same with the "fishing chair" empty. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Carol Turner - El Campo, TX - school friend - April 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ So sorry to hear of your Mothers passing She was a great friend & long live bus#17!! Kids loved you!!!

Pat Dybala - El Campo, TX - Friend - April 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ I worked with Josephine at the ECISD Transportation Office for 5 years. She was always happy and friendly. She will be missed by many.

Evelyn Labay - Friend - April 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ i heard the news of the passing of Josephine, I know she will be missed by alot of people. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family.

Kathy Koudela - el campo, TX - friend/neighbors - April 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Simone Cerny Sanders - wharton, TX - April 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ One of the hardest working women I've ever has the pleasure of working with. I can't imagine how many children's lives she touched while driving that big yellow! Rest in peace sweet lady, you deserve it!

MaryJean Skow - El Campo, TX - Drove a bus for 4 yrs w her - April 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ Mrs. Brandt was an amazing woman! She was my very first bus driver and she was always so kind and caring. I loved running into her over the years while shopping or at McDonalds. She will be missed and has touched many many lives. May God be with her family. Many hugs and blessings sent their way.

Audrey Hallinger - El Campo, TX - April 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ We are so sorry to hear about the loss of your Mother. We will keep you & your family in our thoughts and prayers. Linda & Ken Kram

Linda Kram - El Campo, TX - Friends - April 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM