



# Marie Rose Griffith

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**M**arie Rose Griffith, 95, of Longview passed from this life on March 15, 2020 at her residence surrounded by family. Marie was born in Philadelphia, PA to Fred and Jennie Massey on November 3, 1924. It was in Philadelphia she met a Navy sailor from Longview, Texas named Bobby Reeves Griffith. He asked her to marry him on their second date. They were married on November 17, 1945 and headed back to Longview. They were happily married for 55 years while raising and providing a wonderful childhood for their three children. Later in life, the family worked together, owning a Dairy Queen in Gladewater and then, a liquor store in Longview. In retirement, they spoiled grandkids, traveled and traveled and traveled. Together, they saw the world until Bob's death in 2000.

The last 20 years of Marie's life consisted of volunteering at Longview Regional Hospital, The Diagnostic Clinic and the Senior Friends center. She was so active that no one could believe she was in her 90's. She loved going to her exercise classes a few times a week and made many new and dear friends there. Those friends brought her, and her family, a great deal of happiness and comfort as her health declined. We would like to thank Pat, Weezy, Shirley, Sandy (and others) for their friendship and all the visits. Thank you, Joel Sanchez for all your care and always making her laugh. Thank, you Linda Cole for all the years of taking care of "that hair".

Marie was a devoted member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church for almost 75 years and instilled the love of God and power of prayer into all of her children. Mom was everything a mother should be. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She was the happiest whenever her family was together. How do you put into a few words to describe a person who was the most loving, caring, strongest and understanding mom anyone could have? Her children and grandchildren will miss her immensely every day.

Marie was preceded in death by her parents Fred and Jennie Massey, husband Bob,



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sister Cecilia Ash and brother Paul Massey. Those left to cherish her memory are her daughter Barbara Fowler and husband Steve of Wichita KS, daughter Joann Bagley and husband Ronnie of Longview, son Robby Griffith and wife Charlotte of Longview, numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends for a time of visitation from 5:00 – 7:00 PM at Rader Funeral Home of Longview; a rosary will be recited at 6:30 PM the Chapel of Rader Funeral Home. A mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday at 10:00 AM at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. Marie Griffith will be laid to rest next to her husband in the Lakeview Memorial Gardens Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Meals on Wheels, 3001 Robertson road, Tyler TX 75701.



# Events

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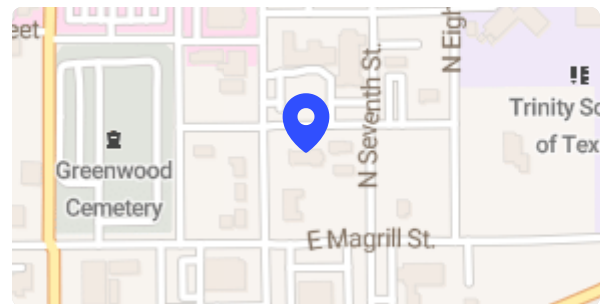
## Visitation

- Tuesday**, March 17, 2020
- 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT
- Rader Funeral Home**  
1617 Judson Rd., Longview TX 75601



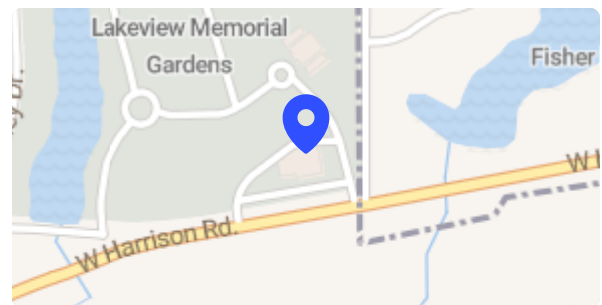
## Mass of Christian Burial

- Wednesday**, March 18, 2020
- 10:00 AM CT
- St. Anthony Catholic Church, Longview**  
508 N Sixth St, Longview TX 75601



## Cemetery Details

- Lakeview Memorial Gardens Mausoleum**  
5000 W. Harrison Rd., Longview TX





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SB

**Sue Brooks** posted:

Joanne, I am so sorry to hear if Marie. She was a really nice woman and I know you cherish her as she did all of her family. I can remember an event at your house, I thought she was one of the girls, and I whacked her on the rear. She didn't get mad, only laughed and said she was thankful I thought she was one of us. She was a great lady. Again, sorry for the loss. Sue Ann

March 22 at 6:29 AM

EB

**Elaine Bell** posted:

Our family treasured the Griffith family going back to the early 60's. We lived, loved and laughed together and enjoyed the fabulous good cooking Marie provided us...really outstanding! Lovingly remembered by the Venverloh family via Elaine and David Bell.

March 17 at 12:10 PM

AS

**Anna Schnetzer** posted:

My sincerest condolences to your family at this time. Marie was a remarkable woman. I have many fond childhood memories of her and Bob.

March 17 at 8:00 AM

YW

**Your Family At Mcdaniels Quality Body Works** sent an A New Sunrise Spray to the Griffith family.



March 17 at 6:45 AM

CJ

**Chris Jackovich** posted:

To a beautiful woman who has been a loving mother, faithful wife and friend to many may she Rest In Peace and May her family find peace and comfort in knowing she is with our Lord. Love from the Jackovich family.

March 17 at 6:14 AM



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**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful Heart Bouquet to the Griffith family.



March 16 at 3:17 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Griffith family.



March 16 at 3:09 PM



**Lana J Snider** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family at this time of your loss. May God wrap you in His tender arms and give you peace and comfort. Marie was a very sweet lady, always a smile on her face and fun to be with at Senior Friends when we line danced and did aerobics. She will be missed. Steve, Lana & Emily Snider

March 16 at 1:26 PM



**Terry Karst** lit a candle in honor of Marie.

Thoughts and prayers to your family during this time.



March 16 at 10:36 AM



**Love, Tom, Patti And Hayley Cook** sent a Fairest of All to the Griffith family.



March 16 at 10:21 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Marie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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