



## Alma Eletha Liljestrand

August 6, 1930 - February 1, 2016

MISSION/EDINBURG – Alma Eletha Deggs Liljestrand, 85, passed away in her sleep at Waterford Gardens in Mission on Monday, Feb. 1, 2016. Formerly of Edinburg, she had lived at Waterford for several months.

Mrs. Liljestrand was born on Aug. 6, 1930, to Elmer and Myrtle Deggs in Wells, Tex. She was a secretary for Hughes Tool when she met and married Charles “Charlie” Edward Liljestrand in Houston on June 1, 1957.

She had two sons, Robert and Jim Brunson, from a previous marriage, and a daughter, Elizabeth, was born to Eletha and Charlie in Houston before they moved to Edinburg on Feb. 28, 1959. Another son, Charles, and daughter, Lisa, were born into the family after they moved to the Valley.

Active in her community, she was a member and an elder in the First Presbyterian Church in Edinburg, and she served as an auxiliary volunteer at Edinburg Hospital for many years.

Survivors include her children, James (Melinda) Brunson of Mission, Elizabeth Liljestrand of McAllen, Charles (D’Anne) Liljestrand of Lindale; and Lisa Liljestrand of Jacksonville, Fla.; daughter-in-law, Kathy Brunson of Tyler; siblings, Carol (Duff+) Prestenbach of Austin, Helen (Norman) Wallace of Beeville, Faye (Earl) Martin of Coldsprings, Martha (Steve) Cook of Huntsville and Phillip (Patty) Deggs of New Caney; and 11 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles, in 1985; son, Robert; her parents; and a brother, John Deggs.

Visitation will be from 1-2 p.m. with a funeral service to follow on Saturday, Feb. 6, at 2 p.m. at First Christian Church, 410 W. University Dr. in Edinburg. Under the direction of Kreidler Funeral Home in McAllen, her remains will be cremated following the service and will later be laid to rest next to her husband's.

In lieu of flowers the family asks for donations to be made to the American Cancer Society in Alma's name. (5413 S. McColl, Edinburg, TX 78539)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church of Edinburg  
410 W University Dr,  
Edinburg, TX 78539

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/First-Christian-Church/104935522882991>

## Funeral Service

FEB 6. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church of Edinburg  
410 W University Dr,  
Edinburg, TX 78539

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Alma Eletha Liljestrand*

October 08, 2023 at 09:43 PM



“ *Alma Eletha Liljestrand*

November 29, 2022 at 06:40 AM



“ *Jim & Family,*

*May God give you the peace, love and joy that only HE can give.  
We will be praying for you and your family. Love Irma & William  
Jensen*

**Irma Jensen** - February 04, 2016 at 09:30 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the  
family of Alma Eletha Liljestrand.*



February 03, 2016 at 03:34 PM