



David Schmeiser

February 27, 1939 - September 5, 2023

David Schmeiser, age 84, of Carroll, died Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at St. Anthony Regional Hospital in Carroll.

A celebration of David's life will be held from 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, September 9, 2023 at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll. A funeral service will be held at 4 p.m. with Rev. Cindy Johnson of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church officiating.

As David was an avid sports fan, David would be proud his celebration of life falls on the annual Cy-Hawk Game; you are encourage to wear your school's colors for David's Celebration. In addition to this, please enjoy complimentary coverage of the Cy-Hawk game while you remember and celebrate his life.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be directed in David's name to Iowa PBS at 6450 Corporate Dr., P.O. Box 6450 Johnston, IA 50131, or https://www.tfaforms.com/5019520?tfa_136=7018b0000021YPSAA2

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll, and online condolences may be left at www.sharpfuneral.com.

David Schmeiser was born February 27th, 1939, in Carroll, Iowa, to Martin and Winona (Hall) Schmeiser, the youngest of their three sons. He attended

Catholic schools in Carroll, and graduated from Kuemper in 1957, the first class to attend all four years at the newly-formed school. He attended Iowa State University and graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice.

David and Mary (Rutten) were united in marriage on August 26th, 1961, in Mt Carmel. They made their home in Mt Clemens, Michigan, and later Grand Blanc, where they raised their four children. David was a Probation officer for eight years, before spending the rest of his career with AAA of Michigan. After retiring, they moved back to their hometown of Carroll in 2008.

"Daver" enjoyed his family and friends a great deal. As founding members of the "Blood Brothers" (a close-knit group of camping friends), Dave & Mary and their children enjoyed not only camping, but traveling the country in their motorhome, especially after their retirement, attending countless College football and baseball games, spring training, and many other adventures.

An avid sports fan, David officiated high school, junior college, and semi-professional football and basketball for nearly 50 years, even making a miraculous return after breaking both knees in an accident in his 60's. The highlight of his career was being the Head Umpire for a Michigan high school state football tournament game in the Silverdome in Detroit. Even though he graduated from Iowa State, David used to brag about being the biggest Iowa Hawkeye fan in Michigan and despised the rival Wolverines with a good-natured passion. After retirement, and moving back to Carroll, David & Mary supported both the Hawks and his alma mater, the Cyclones. He was also a Civil War, U.S. Presidents, (especially Lincoln), and sports historian, reading and collecting hundreds of books on these and other subjects.

David was also a race fan, particularly the Indy 500, attending over 40 races in a row, and listening to them on the radio as a child before that. He shared this passion with his family, with eventually three generations making the

voyage to Indianapolis every Memorial Day weekend.

David Schmeiser is survived by his wife, Mary, his children Susan Schmeiser of Carroll, Nancy (Todd) Jansonius of Carroll, and Nicole (Craig) Brunskole of Northville, Michigan, and five grandchildren: Eric Jansonius of Maxwell, Iowa, Alex Jansonius of Carroll, Aidan Brunskole, Andrew Brunskole, and Anja Brunskole, all of Northville, Michigan, a brother, Martin "Jack" Schmeiser of rural Glidden, a sister-in-law Patti Schmeiser of Michigan, long-time family friend Nita Capitan of St. Claire Shores, Michigan, as well as many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Martin and Winona (Hall) Schmeiser, a son, Eric Schmeiser, a brother, Jerry Schmeiser, and two sisters-in-law, Joyce (Bluml) Schmeiser, and Elaine (Wenck) Schmeiser.

Previous Events

Celebration

SEP 9. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David Schmeiser.

September 09, 2023 at 11:07 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Schmeiser.



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“ Uncle David was the biggest football fan I know. I remember him talking about the games he had seen or those he was a referee at, which was alot. May he rest in peace.
Mike and Cara

Cara Brink - September 06, 2023 at 06:53 PM



Wonderful memories I have of my brother-in-law David. Many were the times with David (“Daver” to his brother Jerry) and his wife Mary:
- numerous vacations and trips together,
- visits to Carroll, Iowa, where Jerry and David had next-door-to-each-other homes,
- family visits with older brother Jack & cousin Jim.
David brought fun and laughter to every gathering. His Civil War collection and book library was impressive.
Rest In peace dear David.
You will be forever missed.
- Patty Schmeiser -

Patty Schmeiser - September 07, 2023 at 03:36 PM

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I agree about him being a football fan - when we were visiting with him this summer at his house he was talking about his love of refereeing football and running around with the kids back in the day. We will always remember his smile. 😊 Tom and Bridget (Brink) Clawson, Jan's daughter

Bridget Clawson - September 09, 2023 at 10:32 AM

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David was a good mentor and friend to Terry as they refereed together in the Oakland and Genesee county areas. Our sympathies to Mary and the family.

Laura Lyons - September 09, 2023 at 05:58 PM

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Our sympathy to you, Mary Kay and family. Prayers for all. Leon and Florence Oswald

Florence Oswald - September 10, 2023 at 07:30 AM