



## Neil Ludwig

May 31, 1943 - May 14, 2021

Neil Ludwig 77, of Carroll, passed away Friday, May 14, 2021 at his home in Carroll with family by his side.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be Celebrated at 10:30 a.m., Friday, May 21, 2021 at St. John Paul II Parish – Holy Spirit Church in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Fr. Kevin Richter. Music will be by Jane Heithoff and the Holy Spirit Choirs. Lectors for the Funeral Mass will be Ann Rossigno and Christopher Ludwig. Honorary Gift Bearers will be Julia and Alex Rossigno and Virginia Quinn Ludwig. Eucharistic Minister will be Ann Rossigno. Honorary Casket Bearers will be Wayne Bellinghausen, Don Bernholtz, Ray and Ruth Brincks, Larry Bruning, Dave Hopper, James Myrtue, Ron Odendahl, Wayne Seaman, Denny Tigges, George Towers, Wayne Zimny. Casket Bearers will be Christopher Ludwig, Craig Ludwig, Michael Ludwig, Steve Rossigno, Julia Rossigno, and Alex Rossigno. Burial will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday in St. John's Cemetery in Arcadia with military honors conducted by the Arcadia American Legion.

Visitation will be held from 4-6:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll. At 6:30 p.m. there will be a sharing of memories followed by the Holy Family School of Faith Meditation Rosary.

Those attending the Funeral Mass are required to wear a face covering.

Memorials may be left at the funeral home or the church for Kuemper Catholic Schools Foundation. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left for Neil's

family at [www.sharpfuneral.com](http://www.sharpfuneral.com).

A live-stream of Neil's service can be viewed at the following link: <https://youtu.be/n992Fb-kC8E>

Neil was born on May 31, 1943 in Carroll, Iowa, son of Raymond and Regina (Huelshorst) Ludwig. He grew up in Arcadia, Iowa, attended St. John Grade School, and graduated from Kuemper High School. Besides assisting on the family farm and setting pins at the local bowling alley, Neil enjoyed working with the employees at the Farmers Cooperative Elevator in Arcadia.

Upon graduating high school, Neil served for 5 years in the US Coast Guard and received an honorable discharge as an E3 (Electronics Technician) in 1966. His years in the Coast Guard instilled a desire for travel and adventure.

On September 17, 1966, Neil married his lifetime friend, Jean Schweers. They set up their home in Carroll, where they joined Saint Lawrence Catholic Church and later Holy Spirit Catholic Church. They embarked on a journey marked by many adventures. Neil worked as an electrician for a year, before being hired as a lineman for Iowa Public Service, now MidAmerican Energy. He served there for 37 years, repairing ice storm damage, answering midnight calls for power outages, and repairing power lines. Safety was always a major concern for Neil and his coworkers. He was grateful for the support and knowledge of his crew.

Neil enjoyed many interests including piloting airplanes, scuba diving, motorcycle riding, traveling and camping with family as well as woodworking. A very handy person, Neil loved helping his family with projects. Whenever he traveled to see family, his toolbox came along.

Friday night motorcycle rides were highlights of summer. However, the annual ride through the Black Hills each Memorial Day weekend, rain, or shine, was more like a "Wild Hogs" experience.

Golfing with Jean and with friends was a highlight of retirement along with coffee at the Hy-Vee or McDonald's 'Schools of higher learning'. Covid restrictions during the summer of 2020 caused the group to meet at Minchen Park where the learning continued. Neil was a member of St. John Paul II

Parish – Holy Spirit Church in Carroll and the RPM Club.

Neil is survived by his wife, Jean, son Christopher of Cedar Rapids, son Craig married to LeAnn (Burkle) of Johnston, daughter Ann married to Steve Rossigno with children Julia & Alex of Richardson, Texas, and son Michael married to Dr. Amanda Zangrillo with daughter Virginia Quinn Ludwig of Omaha, Nebraska and many nieces and nephews.

He is also survived by his brother Dale (Patty) of Keokuk, brother Jim (Annette) of Shelby Township, Michigan, and sister Diane Jennings of Sommerville, Tennessee. Also surviving are in-laws Dale and Virginia Schweers of Arcadia, Steve and Cathy Schweers of Marietta, Georgia, and Elizabeth Frangedakis of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Neil was preceded in death by his parents, his parents in law Clarence and Babe Schweers, his brothers in law, Charles Jennings and George Frangedakis, and his nephews, Ray Ludwig & James Ludwig.

# Tribute Wall

LT

“ Jean and Family So sorry to hear about Neal. Keep you all in my prayers

Linda Tunning - May 21, 2021 at 06:10 PM

MB

“ Mike Bruning lit a candle in memory of Neil Ludwig



Mike Bruning - May 21, 2021 at 12:19 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Neil Ludwig.



May 20, 2021 at 12:19 PM

VH

“ My sincere sympathy to Jean and the Ludwig family. Neil was a talented and faith filled man who will be missed. Vern Henkenius

Vern Henkenius - May 19, 2021 at 10:59 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Neil Ludwig.*



May 19, 2021 at 10:17 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Neil Ludwig.*



May 17, 2021 at 06:34 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Neil Ludwig.*



May 17, 2021 at 11:46 AM



“ *Dale and Patty Ludwig purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Neil Ludwig.*



**Dale and Patty Ludwig** - May 17, 2021 at 11:44 AM

JH

“ *Dear Jean and family  
I'm so sorry for the loss of your dear husband and father. What a great life you've had with him, doing all of the things mentioned in the obituary. My sincere sympathies. Judy Zents Haney. Class of '64*

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**judy haney** - May 17, 2021 at 09:57 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Neil Ludwig.*



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May 16, 2021 at 07:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Neil Ludwig.*



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May 16, 2021 at 04:35 PM

JH

“ *Julie Heithoff lit a candle in memory of Neil Ludwig*



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**Julie Heithoff** - May 16, 2021 at 10:09 AM

DQ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your entire family. May you find comfort in knowing that Neil is in the arms of his Savior. Neil was a man of strength and quiet leadership.

Duane Quinn - May 16, 2021 at 09:21 AM

KJ

“ Our sincere sympathy to you Jean & you family....May Neil rest in eternal peace.....Thinking of you...Stay Strong...God is always there for you....John & Kristi Jorgensen....



Kristi Jorgensen - May 15, 2021 at 11:02 PM

TJ

“ So sorry Jean....gone way to soon. Thinking of you.....hugs

Terry & Diane Jensen - May 15, 2021 at 06:03 PM

ST

“ Neil's participation at the afternoon " School of higher learning will be greatly missed. Our heartfelt sympathy to Jean and his family. George and Sheila Towers 🙏❤️

sheila towers - May 15, 2021 at 05:41 PM

DQ

Our thoughts and prayers are with your entire family. May you find comfort in knowing that Neil has found peace in the arms of our Savior.

Duane Quinn - May 16, 2021 at 09:13 AM

MH

*In a place full of Light, full of Grace~ May it bring you some peace to know that the one you love knows only peace now.  
Thinking of You and Yours With Sympathy, Mary Jo Hauser and family*

Mary Jo Hauser - May 18, 2021 at 05:57 PM

JS

“ thinking of neil’s family .... and all the forever memories ❤️bill & jean snyder

jean & bill snyder - May 15, 2021 at 05:19 PM

MB

“ My sympathy Jean!

Myrna Beeber - May 15, 2021 at 05:14 PM

VD

“ Jean and family thoughts and prayers . Take care Vickie Duff family

Vickie Duff - May 15, 2021 at 01:15 PM

KJ

“ Our sympathy to Jean & family for the loss of a special man & dear friend. We had many great times & laughs together which we are forever thankful for. Whether it was sharing a houseboat on the Mississippi or cabin in the Ozarks there was always fun to be had! I have visions of Neil & Jim Schoeppner talking & laughing about it!!



Love, Bob & Kay johnson

kay johnson - May 15, 2021 at 01:07 PM

PG

“ Our sympathies to Jean and family. We are grateful for the opportunity to have known Neil. Don & Pat Granstra

Pat Granstra - May 15, 2021 at 12:52 PM

TF

“ One of the many great memories we have of Neil was with Jean, when we all took ballroom dance lessons together. We car pooled and drove to Lake View once a week for the lessons. One of the funniest parts always happened during the breaks. To learn the new steps, with Neil and Jean's help, we would practice by dancing with our fingers on the table top. Then out to the dance floor for the real thing. Carol and I were very slow learners. Carol always said she enjoyed dancing with Neil, because he was a very smooth and great dancer.

Also, over the years, we always looked forward to and enjoyed the times we got together, when our life paths would cross. It always gave us a chance to catch up.

Our hearts, thoughts and prayers are with you Jean and your family.



Terry and Carol Fritz

Terry and Carol Fritz - May 15, 2021 at 11:34 AM

PS

“ Jean and family, so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers 🙏 Pat Sanders

Patricia Sanders - May 15, 2021 at 09:38 AM

JJ

“ *Deepest sympathy Jean to you and your family. From all of us at New Hope.*

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**Jodie Jansen** - May 14, 2021 at 08:58 PM

MD

“ *So sorry for your loss Jean and family. Gone too soon. Our sympathies to you all. Mary and Jerry Dopheide*

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**Mary and Jerry Dopheide** - May 14, 2021 at 05:59 PM

JK

*We were all blessed to know Neil. He was a 10.*

*John & Lou Ann*

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**John Knorr** - May 15, 2021 at 05:03 PM