



Eugene Henry Schriefer

July 11, 1937 - November 7, 2023

Dodgeville - Eugene (Gene) Henry Schriefer, Sr., age 86, of Dodgeville went to be with his Lord on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at Southwest Health in Platteville. Gene was born on July 11, 1937 to Henry and Elsie Lillian (Enkemeier) Schriefer in Queens Village, Long Island, NY. He graduated from Mephram High School in Bellmore, NY in 1955. He enlisted in the United States Navy and served for three years stationed in San Diego and Japan.

Gene married Lorraine R. Botterbrodt on March 26, 1960 in Bellmore, NY. Gene and Lorrie welcomed Eugene H. Schriefer, Jr. to their family in July 1961. They moved to Atco, NJ outside of Philadelphia in 1968 where Gene taught at the American Institute of Drafting. His career continued with Schaevitz Engineering in Pensauken, NJ and ended at Herzing College in Madison where he retired in 2002. Gene proudly obtained his Bachelor's degree while at Herzing.

Gene and Lorrie fulfilled their lifelong dream of owning a farm when they purchased a property outside of Dodgeville in 1983 and moved there from New Jersey in 1989 with two horses, three geese, two cats, and their dog. A farmer at heart, he relished time in his garden and the tomatoes, broccoli, cucumbers, potatoes, and egg plant that he produced.

Gene was a man of great faith. He served his Lord and held various roles in

his churches through the years. Most recently, he was a founding and dedicated member of Faith Lutheran AFLC in Mineral Point. He loved music and shared his talent with his participation in church choirs and as a soloist. Cooking was also a passion and Faith Lutheran benefitted from his generosity through his contributions of fudge and butter crunch for their annual Christmas Cookie Sale. Gene and Lorrie replaced the deck on their home this summer and the new design gave him the opportunity to spend evenings looking over the farm, reflecting on all that God had done for him in his lifetime.

Gene was a proud 4-H leader in Camden County, NJ and Iowa County, WI for 53 years and especially enjoyed the horse project. Gene and Lorrie spent much of their free time camping and enjoyed seeing new places. Opa and Oma were especially delighted to include grandson Haakon in their adventures. They also cherished road trips to connect with family and friends across the country.

Gene was blessed with a loving family. He is survived by his wife of 63 years Lorrie; son Gene Jr. and daughter-in-law Ruth of Mineral Point; grandson Haakon of Charlotte, NC; brother Richard in Clover, SC; many nieces, nephews, friends, and his furry white companion Tasha.

He was preceded in death by his parents Henry and Elsie; sister Marilyn and brother-in-law Stanley Donaldson; sister-in-law Lois Schriefer; in-laws Wilhelm and Anna Botterbrodt; brother-in-law Willy and sister-in-law Janet Botterbrodt.

A Memorial Service will be held at FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH, 400 Ridge Street, Mineral Point on Saturday, November 18, 2023 at 11 am with visitation from 9:30am until the time of service. Pastor Cal Schaver will officiate. Lunch will follow at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Faith Lutheran in Gene's

memory.

Lorrie, Gene Jr., Ruth, and Haakon extend heartfelt thanks to the Grant County Sheriff's Department and Southwest Health EMS for their immediate response, and the entire staff at Southwest Health for their compassionate care.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **18**. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church
400 Ridge Street
Mineral Point, WI 53565

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Eugene Henry Schriefer.*



November 16, 2023 at 07:41 PM



“ *Bev & Bob Doll planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eugene Henry Schriefer.*

Bev & Bob Doll - November 14, 2023 at 12:50 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Eugene Henry Schriefer.*



November 14, 2023 at 12:50 PM

JK

“ We have been blessed with so many beautiful memories with Gene. He was such a great Christian. One memory I will cherish for ever is of Gene and I singing for a Christmas eve service up in the choir loft. We had a duet together and sat up in the loft through the whole service it was one of the nicest services ever. Our musical times we shared were special, and I will keep them in my heart until I see him again in heaven.



Judy and David Kerl

Judy Kerl - November 14, 2023 at 08:42 AM

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“ *Lorrie, Gene Jr., Ruth and Haakon, I have many wonderful memories of Gene!*



I will always remember the First Christmas Eve that Faith gathered for the Christmas Eve service when they moved from the school to the church!

Gene was beyond thrilled to have Christmas Eve at the new location. I can still see his face as I walked in with my music. The smile said it all. Gene was so very proud, and it will always be a memory that I will hold on to of Gene.

I think of it every Christmas Eve wherever I am attending, because it was a true testament of Gene's faith! Go Rest High on That Mountain, Gene.

Matthew 25:23 Well done and faithful service! You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.

God's Blessings to Gene!

Denise Marie Deaton-Tolzman - November 14, 2023 at 12:36 AM

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“ *I've enjoyed the many hours I have spent with Gene and Lorrie over the last few years and our great conversations. In one of the last Gene told of the many kinds of fudge he was going to make for Faith's Cookie Sale, I hope they all enjoy his fudge it in heaven. Our many trips to Prairie du Chien and meals out were enjoyable along with our games of euchre. Rest In Peace, Gene.*



Donna Toay - November 13, 2023 at 08:20 AM

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“ Tina Schaver lit a candle in memory of Eugene Henry Schriefer



Tina Schaver - November 11, 2023 at 03:27 PM

RM

“ Lorrie and family, I send my deepest sympathy, love, and hugs in your loss of Gene. Keep the good memories in your hearts to heal the loss of this special man in your lives. Rosalie May

Rosalie May - November 09, 2023 at 11:51 PM

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“ Gene was such a sweet, kindhearted man, who I was blessed to call my friend. We met years ago at the Iowa County Fair. In the intervening years, I'd call him often to catch up and chat, with our last chat being not too many days ago..... My thoughts and prayers go out to his dear wife Lorrie and family. Rest in Peace, Gene. I'll miss you, my friend!



Danny Zadrazil - November 09, 2023 at 09:20 PM