



## Frank J. Schmitz

March 18, 1934 - April 29, 2018

The Mass of Christian Burial for Frank J. Schmitz, a resident at the St. Williams Living Center in Parkers Prairie and formerly of Wadena, will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 2, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Wadena, with Father Aaron Kuhn as celebrant. Visitation will be held at the church on Wednesday starting with a Rosary at 12:30 p.m. and the visitation will continue until the time of the Mass.

Frank, age 84, passed away on Sunday, April 29, 2018, at the St. Williams Living Center, Parkers Prairie, MN.

Frank was born to Hillarius and Katherine (Simmons) Schmitz on March 18, 1934, in Leaf River Township, near Wadena, MN.

Frank was united in marriage with Joyce Irene Rydbom on November 29, 1956 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Wadena. They made their home and raised their family in the Wadena area, where Frank worked in construction. In his free time he found joy in putting his hands to the woodworking craft. Frank was a wonderful husband, father and grandpa and a loyal friend to many, and enjoyed helping those in need and being outdoors.

Frank entered the US Army at Ft Chaffex, AR, beginning in 1957 and served until his honorable discharge in 1959, at Ft Hood, TX.

Frank was preceded in death by his wife Joyce on September 6, 2009; son James; son-in-law David Cooper; parents Hillarius and Katherine; sisters Christina, Rose, Katie and Julia; parents-in-law, Boyd and Ann Rydbom; brother-in-law James & (Pat) Rydbom; Leroy Rydbom, Joe Uselman, and

sister-in-law Bernice and (Irvin) Kern.

He is survived by his sons, Michael of Wisconsin, and Joel (Mike) of Florida; daughters, Ann Ness (Dick) of Wadena, Pamela Cooper of Staples, Mary Dee (Brad) Kempe of Verndale, Sharyl (Jeff) Rinkel of Wadena, and Teresa Schmitz (Michael) of Brainerd; brothers Phillip, Joseph (Jan), Larry and Peter (Pat) Schmitz; sisters Ceal Donkin, Frances Monroe, Ione Sundega and Susan (Ray) Ellingsworth; 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; brother-in-law, Leroy Rydbom; and sisters-in-law, Mary Ann Haitt, Estella Uselman, Doris (Leo) Tabery, Patricia (Ronald) Bartels, and Pauline (Mike) Donaldson. Pallbearers will be Brad Kempe, Michael Anderson, John Kempe, Logan Voge, Lyle Schmitz, John Quast.

Military honors provided by the Elmer Goche Post 3922, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Wadena, MN.

Burial will be in the Calvary Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

Memorials may be directed to the LB Homes - Lakeland Hospice, 805 E Channing Ave, Fergus Falls, MN, 56537.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

Franklin Dr. & 6th St SW  
Wadena, MN 56482

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 2. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Ann's Catholic Church  
514 1st St. SE  
Wadena, MN

## Service

MAY 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Ann's Catholic Church  
514 1st St. SE  
Wadena, MN

# Tribute Wall

DT

“ *Dave & Lori Tabery lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



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**Dave & Lori Tabery** - May 01, 2018 at 04:58 PM

WR

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*



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**William Rydbom** - May 01, 2018 at 04:25 PM

DC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of your loss.*

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**Dan and Beth Colby** - May 01, 2018 at 02:41 PM

JP

“ *Jay Perius lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



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**Jay Perius** - May 01, 2018 at 01:15 PM

RM

“ *Rose Ann Kluenenberg Murray lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



Rose Ann Kluenenberg Murray - May 01, 2018 at 11:36 AM

BF

“ *Bill And Sue White And Family lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



Bill and sue white and family - May 01, 2018 at 07:54 AM



“ *I remember my uncle Frank from years ago. He was always a nice person. I am sorry to hear he passed away. You have my thoughts and prayers*

Scott Kern - April 30, 2018 at 10:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Frank J. Schmitz.*



April 30, 2018 at 10:24 PM

LB

“ *My sincere sympathy Sharyl, Teresa and your entire family. I am thinking of you as you say goodbye to your dad. Peace be with you.*  
*Laurie Bach*

Laurie Bach - April 30, 2018 at 09:18 PM

RL

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of sorrow.*  
*Steve and Rose Lorentz*

Rose Lorentz - April 30, 2018 at 08:43 PM

EF

“ *Esther And Alan Freitag lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



Esther and Alan Freitag - April 30, 2018 at 07:58 PM

BP

“ *Bonnie & Ron Price lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



Bonnie & Ron Price - April 30, 2018 at 07:50 PM

WV

“ Wayne And Marilyn Voge lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz



Wayne and Marilyn Voge - April 30, 2018 at 07:49 PM

TO

“ My prayers to you Sharyl.



Tiffany Orsello - April 30, 2018 at 05:31 PM

AL

“ Al And Kathy Lorentz lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz



Al and Kathy Lorentz - April 30, 2018 at 05:31 PM

LH

“ Leo Haisman lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz



Leo Haisman - April 30, 2018 at 03:44 PM

JH

“ Joe And Yvonne Horstmann lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz



Joe and Yvonne Horstmann - April 30, 2018 at 01:35 PM

JB

“ Joan And Tom Brauch lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz



Joan and Tom Brauch - April 30, 2018 at 12:01 PM

YF

“ Your DCH Family purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Frank J. Schmitz.



Your DCH Family - April 30, 2018 at 11:25 AM

JU

“ John Uselman lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz



john uselman - April 30, 2018 at 10:02 AM

MT

“ *Missy Tabery lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



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**Missy Tabery** - April 30, 2018 at 07:42 AM

MF

“ *Marie Fraune lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



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**marie fraune** - April 30, 2018 at 07:18 AM

DK

“ *Dan Kern lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



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**Dan Kern** - April 30, 2018 at 05:05 AM

JP

“ *Jerry And Kathy Peterson lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



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**Jerry and Kathy Peterson** - April 29, 2018 at 07:53 PM

JP

“ *Jerry And Kathy Peterson sent a virtual gift in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



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**Jerry and Kathy Peterson** - April 29, 2018 at 07:52 PM

DH

“ *Darrell & Peggy Haman lit a candle in memory of Frank J. Schmitz*



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**Darrell & Peggy Haman** - April 29, 2018 at 07:45 PM