



Ralph J. Schmitt

July 19, 1947 - January 31, 2020

Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 8, 2020 at St. James Catholic Church in Jacobs Prairie, MN for Ralph Schmitt, age 72, who died Friday at the St. Cloud Hospital. Inurnment will be in the parish cemetery.

A gathering of family and friends will be from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Friday, February 7, 2020 at the Wenner Funeral Home in Richmond. Visitation will continue Saturday morning one hour before the service at the church.

Ralph was born on July 19, 1947 on the family farm in Jacobs Prairie, MN to Alphonse and Anna (Kraemer) Schmitt.

Ralph was a truck driver for Nash Finch Company for over 30 years. He liked to fish, loved his German ancestry, classic cars, spending time with his grandkids, and restoring John Deere tractors. Donating blood was important to him and he donated over 18 gallons to the American Red Cross.

He is survived by his partner, Julie Bieber; children, Kerry (Chris) Flynn, Aaron (Shawn), Kelly (Brian) Lassi; siblings, Darlene (Roger) Klein, Elmer (Jane), Jerry (Barb+), Marvin (Ilene); grandchildren, Taylor, Morgan, Kiana, Kyla, Grace, Samuel, and Avalyn.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

The family would like to thank the American Cancer Society/Hope Lodge, Visiting Angels, and Quiet Oaks Hospice House for the care and compassion shown to Ralph.

Memorials may be sent to American Cancer Society/Hope Lodge, Quiet Oaks Hospice House, and the American Red Cross.

Cemetery Details

St. James Parish Cemetery

Jacobs Prairie, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wenner Funeral Home - Richmond
151 Oakwood Ave. SE
Richmond, MN 56368

Visitation

FEB 8. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
Jacobs Prairie, MN

Mass

FEB 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
Jacobs Prairie, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph J. Schmitt*

January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



February 07, 2020 at 12:44 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My brother Paul was a good friend of "Schmitty" and that is how I had the pleasure of visiting with him and Julie at the farm several times over the years. He was such a genuine guy and I know he will truly be missed by many.*

Mary Breimhorst - February 07, 2020 at 11:55 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



February 07, 2020 at 11:21 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Yellow and White* was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.



February 07, 2020 at 11:11 AM



“ *Cherished Memories - Multicolor Pastel* was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.



February 05, 2020 at 04:41 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White* was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.



February 04, 2020 at 04:58 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White* was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.



February 04, 2020 at 12:35 PM

WT

“ *With Love, Ameriprise WMS Training Team purchased the Simply Lily for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



With Love, Ameriprise WMS Training Team - February 04, 2020 at 11:17 AM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



February 04, 2020 at 07:26 AM

YT

“ *Your Ameriprise MCSS Team purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



Your Ameriprise MCSS Team - February 03, 2020 at 04:16 PM

TB

“ *Tricia B. purchased the Yellow & White Large Sympathy Vase Arrangement for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



Tricia B. - February 03, 2020 at 03:26 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



February 03, 2020 at 03:22 PM



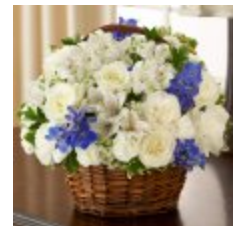
“ *Fields of Europe was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



February 03, 2020 at 02:39 PM



“ *Len, Bob, Chris, Kent and the Allergan Sales Team purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



Len, Bob, Chris, Kent and the Allergan Sales Team - February 03, 2020 at 01:30 PM



“ *My thoughts, love, and prayers to Julie, and Ralph's family and friends. Whenever I was in a conversation with Julie and Ralph's name was brought up, her face would light up and you knew Ralph was someone very special.*



Wendy Hanson - February 03, 2020 at 10:34 AM



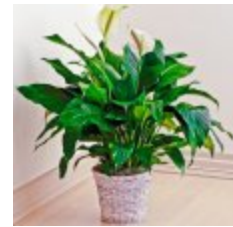
“ *Fields of Europe was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



February 03, 2020 at 09:53 AM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



February 03, 2020 at 09:44 AM



“ *Ralph was my Nash Finch truck driver, I owned the store in Milan, we had many discussions over the years. I met Julie, as she was up visiting her Grandmother in Montevideo, so Ralph and I had a personal connection, not just business. For a few years i would see Ralph and Julie, due to visits to Grandmother. Ralph was a decent person, I truly enjoyed his and Julie 's visits. God bless the memory of Ralph Schmitt.*

Ron Anderson - February 03, 2020 at 08:52 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with my cousin Julie and with Ralph's family and friends. Godspeed Ralph to the arms of the Lord.*

Owen Haugen - February 02, 2020 at 07:52 PM



“ *White (Large) Sympathy Vase Arrangement was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



February 02, 2020 at 12:27 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



February 02, 2020 at 12:12 PM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Ralph J. Schmitt.*



February 02, 2020 at 10:33 AM



“ *Ralph was such a kind and gentle man. Julie and I stopped in to visit his home last year. I was so impressed with all his John Deere items and how clean and picked up his house was. He was so proud of his car and garage and I felt lucky to have known him. His family will be in our prayers*

Marilyn Holmvig - February 01, 2020 at 10:03 PM