



Marvin Jean Schmidt

August 30, 1938 - April 8, 2025

Marvin was born on August 30, 1938 to David and Irene Ruf Schmidt. Irene was assisted in the delivery by a medical doctor. The medical doctor then went home, Had a heart attack and died. When David and Irene went to pay his widow, she said , "My husband could not have delivered that baby as that is the night that he died." She refused to accept any money from them, so Marvin was BORN FREE!

Marvin attended elementary schools in Nebraska and Wyoming, graduating from Lyman High School in Lyman, Nebraska in 1957. Marvin then attended Union College (now Union University) in Lincoln, Nebraska, and Madison College (now closed) in Madison, Tennessee.

When Marvin was 11 years old he was shot in the right side of his head with a shot gun. This caused paralysis on the left side of his body. The doctors convinced his mother that one operation would allow Marvin to be able to use his left hand. Instead, they tied his muscles up so that he could not use his left hand at all. So when the doctors started talking about surgery on his left leg, Marvin left the hospital. His mother had a treadle sewing machine. She had him treadle that machine morning and afternoon which enabled Marvin to have some use of his left leg.

Marvin was taught Bible stories by his mother, Irene Ruf Schmidt, which

caused him to accept baptism into the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Torrington, Wyoming, at the age of 14. He remained a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church until his death. He served the church as Pathfinder Leader, Deason and Head Deacon.

Marvin was handicapped when it came to looking for a job since he only had one hand. Finally he was placed on disability when he was 35. From then on, he lived in the country and gardened to feed his three boys and many foster children.

Those who passed before Marvin are:

His younger brother, Al Schmidt

His older brother, Eugene Schmidt

His father, David Schmidt

His wife of 43 years, Beverly Cheryl Fisher Schmidt and

His mother, Irene Ruf Schmidt.

Marvin is survived by his wife, Margaret White, His three sons, Clinton Schmidt, Byron Schmidt and Vance Schmidt. His grandchildren, Mason Schmidt, Jesica Schmidt, Nathan Schmidt, Jeremichah Schmidt, Caleb Schmidt, Kyle Schmidt, Vanessa Schmidt and Dylan Disney. He is also survived by many cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Marvin chose to be cremated, so no services will be held.

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“ Memories of Marvin

Marvin was always a top student scholastically. He was kind and thoughtful of others. Marvin and I were probably our dad's biggest problem as we reminded him of his faults frequently. Dad smoked and drank and was quite a gambler. When dad became a Christian later in life, he became a lot more kind.

When Marvin was 13, he disobeyed his mother and he and his friend took their guns out. Marvin was accidentally shot in the head. The dr's did not believe he was going to make it, but he did.

Because of his disobedience, he had a tough life. His accident also poorly affected his decisions in life.

Marvin left home the day after his high school graduation. He bought an old Studebaker and headed east where he worked for the Christian Record delivering Christian tapes to the blind.

Stan - The last of the four siblings

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