



Kenneth William Schemmer

October 13, 1931 - November 5, 2021

Kenneth William Schemmer, 90 of Higginsville, Missouri passed away on Friday, November 5, 2021, at Meyer Care Center.

He was born Tuesday, October 13, 1931 in Mayview, Missouri, and was the son of the late William Schemmer and the late Mary (Starkebaum) Schemmer. He was a graduate of the Concordia High School-Class of 1949. After high school, he farmed crops, cattle, and hogs with his father. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1952 during the Korean War. Kenneth was in the 31st Field Artillery, 7th Division, and worked in the Fire Direction Center.

Kenneth married Grace (Riekhof) Schemmer on January 30, 1955 and from this union they had two children. They spent 62 wonderful years together until her passing on December 16, 2017.

Kenneth spent his career working as a farmer. He served on the Higginsville Special Road District from 1998-2013, and he spent 12 years on the board of the Higginsville Housing Authority from 2001-2013. Kenneth was a lifetime member of the VFW post 6270 and served as commander from 1979-1980. He was a member of the Higginsville American Legion Post 223. He was on the Lafayette County ASC Committee from 1982-1991, spent many years as a delegate for the MFA Oil Company, and was a lifetime member of the Lafayette County Pork Producers. In 1974, his family was selected as Lafayette County Farm Family of the Year.

Kenneth was a member of the Salem United Church of Christ in Higginsville. He served on the church council, was active in many church organizations,

and served on the Board of Elders.

Kenneth served his community wholeheartedly, cherished his friends, loved his family, and he will be sorely missed by all who came to know him.

Surviving are one son, Kevin (Beth) Schemmer of Higginsville; one daughter, Diane (Charles) Dudley of Higginsville; five grandchildren, Kyle Schemmer, Wesley (Hannah) Schemmer, Haley (Tim) Jordan, Ryan Dudley, Ross Dudley; three great-grandchildren, Kason Schemmer, Preston Schemmer, and Cameron Schemmer.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Grace; and one brother, Norman Schemmer.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Monday, November 15, 2021, at Salem United Church of Christ.

A funeral service will follow at 11:00 AM at the church with Rev. Dr. Tommy Faris officiating. Interment will follow in the Salem Cemetery. Casket Bearers: Kyle Schemmer, Ryan Dudley, Wesley Schemmer, Ross Dudley, Haley Jordan, Tim Jordan.

Memorial contributions may be made out to Salem U.C.C.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.hoeferfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (cst)

Salem United Church of Christ
1500 N Main St.
Higginsville, MO 64037
salemucc@ctcis.net
<http://www.salemucchigginsville.org>

Funeral Service

NOV **15**. 11:00 AM - 11:40 AM (cst)

Salem United Church of Christ
1500 N Main St.
Higginsville, MO 64037
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Burial

NOV **15**. 12:00 PM (cst)

Salem Cemetery
Salem Cemetery Rd.
Higginsville, MO 64037

Tribute Wall



“ Kenneth William Schemmer

October 22, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ Kenneth William Schemmer

October 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ Kenneth William Schemmer

October 06, 2023 at 07:00 AM



“ Kenneth William Schemmer

January 31, 2023 at 02:49 AM



“ *What a wonderful privilege to have had Kenneth and Grace in our lives for so many years! I especially have many many fond memories through the various connections we shared for so long. Kenneth was "a prince of a man" and such a special example to follow and friend to appreciate and admire.*

Diane and Kevin, we hope to be able to join you as you gather with your family and friends to give thanks for and celebrate the gift of your Dad's life.

David and Chris Rauch

David and Chris Rauch - November 10, 2021 at 01:44 PM

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“ Kevin and family,
I am sharing this one memory of Kenneth, there was an afternoon
back in the 70's
in which my friend and I walked home from school thru the fields
south to his home, at arrival there was a list of chores left for Kevin
to accomplish as his father was working elsewhere,
we were wanting to run and do what kids do, knowing it would take
half the time if I helped we set out to get the work done. after a few
hours we were off playing, not half hour went by when Ken showed
up with a look on his face that ----? He scolded Kevin, but his list
was completed as we acknowledged. as I recall his words were, you
see that sun
when it goes down you may play you should have looked me up
and I'de gave you more to do and young man thanks for helping but
you need to go home.
wow!!! what a work ethic he had bestowed on me that day
I mean this in a good way I'm a better person to have known him,
thanks Kevin and Diane for being my friend

mark a perrine - November 08, 2021 at 02:12 PM

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“ Remember when him and Grace started dating.
They frequently came to Sunday evening Lenton Services at Salem.

Armin Schannurh - November 08, 2021 at 11:04 AM