



# Leslie J. Schultz

FEB 7, 1939 - MAR 28, 2019



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## **Leslie J. Schultz**

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**L**eslie James Schultz, age 80, of Waupaca passed away on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at ThedaCare Regional Medical Center - Appleton. Les was born on February 7, 1939, in Two Rivers, WI, the son of Louis Schultz and Lois (Runge) Schultz. Les graduated from Kaukauna High School in 1957. He played football at St. Norbert College and received his Bachelor's Degree from St. Norbert in 1961.

While attending St. Norbert Les met his future wife Mary Ellen Bins. They were married in Marinette, WI on August 26, 1961.

Les started his teaching and coaching career at Madonna High School in Mauston, WI. In the fall of 1966 Les started teaching at Amherst High School, where he spent the remainder of his teaching career. Les coached a number of sports at Amherst serving as head football coach from 1966-1978. He also served as Athletic Director and officiated football after leaving coaching.

Les had creative interests outside of sports. He enjoyed singing and performed in musicals at St. Norbert. Les starred as Tevye in the Tomorrow River Community Theater production of "Fiddler on the Roof." He sang with the Stevens Point Barbershop Chorus. While with the Barbershoppers Les and Mary Ellen participated in two tours, one to Europe and the other to the British Isles. Les also served as cantor at St. James Parish in Amherst, WI and sang with the choir and cantored at St. Mary of the Lakes Parish in Lakewood, WI.

Les was also known for his wood crafts. He and Mary Ellen attended many craft shows in their retirement selling Les' scroll saw fretwork pieces. In more recent years Les assisted New View Industries in Gillette, WI painting barn quilts and branched his craft business away from woodworking to painting garage quilts.

Les is survived by his four children Frances, Middleton, WI, Mark, Oxnard, CA, Lois (Lowie), Merrill, WI and Chris, Waupaca, WI; his two beautiful granddaughters Claire and Grace who were a source of much pride, adoration and love; and his sister Jane (Tom) Barta, Cedarburg, WI. He



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was preceded in death by his wife of 48 years Mary Ellen, his parents, his brother John Schultz and his sister Mary Lou Schultz.

A visitation will be held in the chapel at Bethany Home, 1226 Berlin Street, Waupaca, WI 54981 on Saturday, April 27, 2019 from 10:30 AM -11:00 AM with a memorial service to follow at 11 AM. A celebration of Les' life will be held at Simpson's Restaurant, 222 S Main St., Waupaca, WI 54891 from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Given Les' involvement with and love of sports, those attending are asked to wear their favorite team attire.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting memorials be made in Les' name to The Falcon Pride Project <http://www.falcon-pride.com> or Amherst Athletic Complex, Tomorrow River School District, Attn: Mike Toelle - Falcon Pride, 357 N. Main St., Amherst, WI 54406.



## Events


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### Memorial Visitation


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### Memorial Service

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### Celebration of Life Gathering

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AE

**Ann Esker** posted:

We send our sympathy to the Schultz family. Roger and I have many fond memories of time spent with Les over the years. Many fun Badger parties. I still wear the first Bucky pin and have all the other ones. Roger and Ann Esker

April 26 at 5:53 AM

JK

**Jason T Kaster** posted:

I met Les as a customer . He needed some repairs on his home . We became good friends after the work I did for him . Fond memories of his fall fish boils , German potato salad , his fine wood working , quilting , his love for family and many more . One memory I will never forget is Lea letting me take my daughter to the car show in his old Merc . We will never forget you and may you Rest In Peace as you are now able to reunite with the love of your life . God bless my friend when we meet again have that whiskey bottle ready .

April 9 at 4:32 PM

SK

**Sandra Keener** posted:

Mr Schultz was a new teacher at Amherst and I was a new high school student the same year- 1966. When taking roll call in class in the first day of school he pronounced every Polish name with precision. Then he came to my name and enunciated my last name with two syllables. I didn't raise my hand but realized that he called my name because everyone else in the class was looking at me. So how would you pronounce "Jones"? I laughed with him about that a number of times. He was such a gentle giant. He was kind, intelligent and fun to be around. God Bless you Mr Schultz. Prayers of love and support to his family and friends. Sandi Keener

April 7 at 7:49 AM

CA

**Carol** posted:

This is Carol J Auck I was a neighbor of Les and Mary in Amherst Wis they were great people and neighbors Just talking about them th eother day so sorry for the loss

April 7 at 5:26 AM



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**Chaplain John Schmidt** posted:

My condolences to the family of Les Schultz. In 1979, our family moved to Amherst when I took the responsibility of being the Pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Your father was the football coach and driver's ed teacher. Our three children all attended Amherst High School along with some of Les' children. 38 years later I am one of five Part time Chaplains at Bethany Home in Waupaca. It is during these last couple of years that I came to know him in a personal way as both Chaplain and friend. We often shared time together with other residents of Bethany at the breakfast table or in our small group discussions. I am happy to say that we became close over the passing months. One of your fathers gifts to Bethany was the scrollsaw cutout of the Lord's Prayer. He donated one of these for our chapel and thankfully, we were able to have it framed and mounted in the Bethany chapel while he could see the fruit of his handiwork. Our Christian faith assures us that Jesus died and rose so that we may have life with God. May our dear Lord comfort you as you grieve the loss of your father and friend. I know I will miss him. My last visit with him was my last Sunday chapel service which he attended even though he was in very great discomfort. Blessings to all from Chaplain Pastor John Schmidt

April 6 at 4:55 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Leslie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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