

Edward "Ed" Witte, age 92, of Holstein, Iowa and formerly of Schaller, Iowa went home to be with his Lord and Savior on November 30, 2008 at Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake, Iowa, the result of complications of a stroke.

Edward Witte was born February 19, 1916 in Ida County Iowa, one of twelve children born to Henry and Magdalena (Wunschel) Witte. He attended country school in the Ida Grove, Iowa area through eighth grade.

Ed served his country in World War II, beginning in 1942. He was stationed in New Guinea, Australia and the Philippines.

On February 18, 1951, Ed was united in marriage to Mary Jane Thomson in Ida Grove. They were blessed with two children: a daughter, Deb, and a son, Scott. The couple lived on an acreage near Schaller for many years. Mary Jane died July 21, 1999.

Ed was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Schaller since 1948. He worked for Sac County for many years, retiring in 1981. In April of 2000, Ed moved to the Schaller Community Apartments. In August of this year, Ed became a resident of Char-Mac Assisted Living Community in Holstein.

Ed enjoyed time with his family, drinking coffee with friends, and watching sports, especially the Hawkeyes, Cyclones, and the Atlanta Braves.

Ed is survived by his daughter, Deb (Denis) Thompson of Webster City, Iowa; his son, Scott (LaVonne) Witte of Rock Valley, Iowa; five grandchildren: Hope (Nathan) Ribbey and their children, Hannah, Amos and Kaela, all of Webster City; Micah Thompson of Webster City; and Seth, Sara and Erica Witte, all of Rock Valley; three brothers and their wives: Don (Wilma) Witte of Bentonville, Arkansas; Emmett (Laura) Witte of Schaller; and George (Janice) Witte of Schaller; two sisters: Esther Patterson of Britton, South Dakota and Irene Carstensen of Alta, Iowa; many nieces and nephews; as well as many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Mary Jane; infant twin children, Dean and Jean; his granddaughter, Hannah Thompson; his sister, Hattie Teghtmeyer; and his brothers: Roy, Clarence, Robert, Lee, and Burdette.

Remembering *A Special Life*



Edward Witte

"Ed"

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IN MEMORY OF

Edward Witte

“Ed”

February 19, 1916  November 30, 2008

Funeral Service

Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.
St. Paul Lutheran Church — Schaller, Iowa

Clergy

Pastor David Lyons

Organist

Carol Wendel

Congregational Singing

“Rock Of Ages”

“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”

Casket Bearers

Terry Thomson, John Lageschulte, Lyle Witte, Rich Malcolm
Randy Hustedt, Kevin Witte, Jerry Thomson

Honorary Casket Bearers

Bob Skou, Ray Currie, Mal Currie

Interment

Military Taps presented by Schaller V.F.W. Post 4704
Schaller Cemetery — Schaller, Iowa

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The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside still waters.
He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me
in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me;
Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies;
Thou anointest my head with oil,
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house
of the Lord forever.

— Psalm 23



We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. Please join us for lunch and a time of fellowship at the church following the burial.

 **The Witte Family**