



## Emmett Witte

August 4, 1928 - May 3, 2015

Emmett Witte, age 86, of Schaller, Iowa died Sunday, May 3, 2015 at his home in Schaller.

Funeral services will take place Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Schaller. Burial will be in the Schaller Cemetery. Visitation will be held Wednesday, May 6, 2015 from 5-8:00 p.m. at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Schaller. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Schaller is in charge of the arrangements.

Emmett Arnold Witte was born August 4, 1928 in rural Ida Grove, Iowa the son of Henry and Magdalena (Wunschel) Witte. On September 2, 1928 Emmett was baptized at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Ida Grove. On April 18, 1943, he was confirmed at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Cook Township Sac County.

Growing up, Emmett attended Cook Township #4 where he graduated from the 8th grade.

On April 14, 1951, Emmett was enlisted in the United States Army where he served his country during the Korean Conflict. He was honorably discharged on January 7, 1953.

Following his honorable discharge, Emmett started farming one mile west of Schaller on the Spindler farm.

On August 5, 1956, Emmett was united in marriage to Laura Lee Weiland at St. John Lutheran Church in Galva, Iowa. Together, they were blessed with two daughters: Karla Lee and Karen Rane.

In 1971, Emmett and Laura together bought a farm six miles south of Schaller from his sister and brother-in-law, Irene and Chris Carstensen. It was there that they made their home on this farm until moving into Schaller in 2003.

Emmett was a member of the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Schaller where he was a voting member, a trustee, and an usher.

A favorite past time of Emmett's was playing cards and casino trips with friends. He also loved golfing and bowling. Emmett enjoyed watching any sporting event that he could, especially the Chicago Cubs. His lifetime passion was farming and raising cattle. He enjoyed making frequent trips out to the farm to help whenever possible. He was a dedicated and loving father, grandfather, great grandfather, brother, and friend. Family was very important to Emmett and he treasured spending time with family and friends. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory include his daughters: Karla (Randy) Hustedt of Galva, Iowa; Karen (Richard) Malcom of Schaller, Iowa; grandchildren: Joel (Jordan) Hustedt of Galva, Iowa; Chad (Jennifer) Hustedt of Storm Lake, Iowa; Keith (Cori) Hustedt of Fort Mill, South Carolina; Dana Hustedt of Galva, Iowa; Marcus (Khara) Malcom of Lincoln, Nebraska; Jenna Malcom of Christiansburg, Virginia; great grandchildren: Eve and Jett Hustedt; Paisley and Presley Hustedt; Kason Hustedt; Paige and Jace Malcom; brothers: Donald (Wilma) Witte of Bentonville, Arkansas; George (Jan) Witte of

Schaller, Iowa; brother-in-law, Lloyd (Myrna) Weiland of Johnston, Iowa; sister-in-law, Joyce Witte of Sac City, Iowa; extended family and friends.

Emmett was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Magdalena Witte; his wife, Laura Witte; sisters: Esther Patterson, Hertha Teghtmeyer, Irene Carstensen; brothers: Clarence, Burdette, Edward, Lee, Roy, and Robert Witte; and his in-laws: Carl and Serena Weiland.

# Cemetery Details

**Schaller Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

MAY 6. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church -- Schaller  
402 E Third  
Schaller, IA 51053

### Service

MAY 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church -- Schaller  
402 E Third  
Schaller, IA 51053

### Interment

MAY 7 (CT)

Schaller Cemetery

# Tribute Wall

HR

“ *Our deepest sympathy to the family. Have hope in tomorrow, have faith in the everlasting, and take comfort in the love of friends and family.*

*Our prayers and thoughts are with you.*

*Missouri cousins,  
Harold & Bernice Raymer  
and family*

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**Harold Raymer** - May 07, 2015 at 12:02 PM

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“ *Karen, Karla and families,  
You have our sympathy, prayers and love. Many happy memories of  
Emmett.  
Todd*

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**Todd Weiland** - May 07, 2015 at 07:16 AM

EG

“ *Karla, Karen and your families,  
My deepest sympathy and prayers in the loss of your loved one.  
Your mother and father were such wonderful people-for as many  
years I was away from Schaller your parents always remembered  
me. They were also very good friends to my parents. Your father will  
always be remembered and missed by all.*

*Sincerely,  
Elaine (Johnson) Georg*

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**Elaine (Johnson) Georg** - May 06, 2015 at 05:50 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Emmett Witte.*



May 06, 2015 at 12:40 PM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



**Funeral Home** - May 06, 2015 at 11:02 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Emmett Witte.*



May 06, 2015 at 10:27 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Emmett Witte.*



May 06, 2015 at 09:59 AM

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“ I can remember when Emmett and Laura first started coming out to our greenhouse and later on when family members would bring them out to get flowers. It was always a bright spot when they came out - sort of a small family reunion catching up on all the latest news from our extended families. I have a multitude of great memories extending back to when I was a kid - reunions, picnics, horse shoes etc.. He will be greatly missed!!!!  
Dave and Michelle Witte

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**Dave Witte** - May 06, 2015 at 07:36 AM

JP

“ To the family of Emmett Witte,  
Our heartfelt sympathy to you his family. I have known many of the Witte family for years, as we attended Immanuel Lutheran church (Cook Township) north of Odebolt, where they were members also. I have many happy memories of this.  
God's Blessing to all of you.  
Joan (Kies) Petersen Ida Grove, IA

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**Joan K. Petersen** - May 05, 2015 at 10:32 AM