



## Robert Skou

June 25, 1935 - February 3, 2019

Robert Skou, age 83, of Ankeny, Iowa formerly of Schaller, Iowa died on Sunday, February 3, 2019 at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, February 8, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at the First Church of Christ in Ankeny, Iowa. Visitation will take place one hour prior to the service at the church in ANKENY.

On Saturday, February 9, 2019, visitation will take place from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in SCHALLER. Private burial will be in the Galva Township East Cemetery in Galva.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the National Kidney Foundation: 30 East 33rd St., New York, NY 10016 or American Lung Association: 55 W. Wacker Drive, Suite 1150, Chicago, IL 60601. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Schaller is in charge of the arrangements.

Robert Charles Skou, the son of Marineus and Essie (Mills) Skou, was born on June 25, 1935 in Galva, Iowa. As an infant, Robert was baptized at the Galva Methodist Church and was later confirmed. Robert, along with his wife Charlotte (JoAnn), rededicated themselves through baptism on July 31, 2014, one day before celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary.

In his youth, Robert attended grade school in Galva. He graduated from Galva High School in 1952. After high school, Robert enlisted in the United States Army. He faithfully served his country from November 18, 1952 until November 17, 1955. During his years of service in the Korean War he attained the rank of Sergeant First Class.

On August 1, 1954, Robert was united in marriage to Charlotte JoAnn Small at the Methodist Church in Galva. The couple was blessed with two children, Dennis and Nita, four grandsons, Joshua, Caleb, Zachariah and Jacob and one great granddaughter,

Shiloh. Robert and Charlotte, the love of his life, went on to celebrate 64 years of marriage.

Throughout his working career, Robert spent nearly 30 years in the meat industry working for companies such as Sioux City Dressed Beef, Wilson Foods in Cherokee, IA and HyGrade Foods in Storm Lake. Robert then went on to work for Sac County in Secondary Roads in Schaller before retiring on April 1, 2001.

In his free time, Robert enjoyed woodworking, building furniture and other keepsakes that will be treasured for generations, having coffee with friends and listening to country music.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Charlotte of Ankeny, Iowa; son, Dennis Skou and wife Vickie of Pleasant Hill, Iowa; grandchildren: Joshua Skou of Omaha, Nebraska; Caleb Skou of Council Bluffs, Iowa; Zach Skou of Council Bluffs, Iowa; Jacob Skou of Humble, Texas, great granddaughter Shiloh; and extended family and friends.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Nita; brothers: David, Eldon, Vernon, Verdean; and sister, Beverly.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Church of Christ  
310 NW Ash Dr  
Ankeny, IA 50023

## Service

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Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Schaller  
306 S Main St  
Schaller, IA 51053  
(712) 275-4205  
jensenfuneralhomes@gmail.com  
<https://www.fratzkejensen.com>

# Tribute Wall

MN

“ I saw Bob in Sparky's in Schaller a few years ago. We reminisced the old days when Nita and I hung out. I love him for that wonderful exchange...as painful and prideful as I knew it was for him, I knew it was good for both of us. Rest easy Mr. Skou, hug your daughter for all of us!

Mary Jo Naberhaus - February 09, 2019 at 04:34 PM

DL

“ Bob was always amazing to me, and I so enjoyed reconnecting with him on Facebook. Jo and Dennis, my warmest sympathies. the one consolation is Bob is now reunited with Nita. Much love!!!!



Dawn Lueck - February 07, 2019 at 04:33 PM

LT

“ Bob ALWAYS had a smile for me on Sunday morning. We will all miss that ornery grin. Until we meet again on the other side of the veil dear brother, peace be with you.

Laura Thomas - February 05, 2019 at 11:08 PM

RS

“ Jo, So sorry to hear. I'll miss Bob's hollering across the street hello, his wave and smile. I've been blessed to know him. All my love and my memories bring you all peace. Robin Sanger

Robin Sanger - February 05, 2019 at 04:02 PM

EC

“ Ed/Valerie Carlberg lit a candle in memory of Robert Skou



Ed/Valerie Carlberg - February 05, 2019 at 12:16 PM

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“ Ed/Valerie Carlberg lit a candle in memory of Robert Skou



Ed/Valerie Carlberg - February 05, 2019 at 12:12 PM

BM

“ Sympathies to Joan and family. Bob always was smiling and we enjoyed having him as a member of our church family. Sending prayers your way - Bill & Sue Madsen

Bill & Sue Madsen - February 05, 2019 at 11:59 AM

DD

“ Deb And Jim Dickbernd lit a candle in memory of Robert Skou



Deb and Jim Dickbernd - February 05, 2019 at 10:36 AM

JD

“ John/Connie Demers lit a candle in memory of Robert Skou



John/Connie Demers - February 05, 2019 at 09:56 AM

JR

“ Joyce Roling lit a candle in memory of Robert Skou



Joyce Roling - February 05, 2019 at 09:05 AM

MJ

“ *Marsha Johnson lit a candle in memory of Robert Skou*



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**Marsha Johnson** - February 05, 2019 at 08:26 AM

Lisa  
Rasmussen

“ *This man right here, a personality bigger than life, a voice and laugh you will never forget and the most contagious smile you ever saw! Bob had a heart of gold and the best sense of humor! Our hearts are broken but you left us with wonderful memories! Fly high our special friend, dance with your beautiful daughter and watch over all of us! Until we meet again! We LOVE you, Bob and will Never forget you! Terry and Lisa Rasmussen*



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**Lisa Rasmussen** - February 04, 2019 at 07:12 PM

KH

*I will miss the great smile and his joking and our picking on each other. He always brightened up the world around him.*

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**keith hedlund** - February 06, 2019 at 07:54 PM