



## Verdeen R. Luft

January 5, 1930 - September 26, 2024

Verdeen R. Luft, age 94, of Schaller, Iowa died September 26, 2024 at Methodist Manor in Storm Lake.

Funeral services will take place Monday, September 30, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. at United Methodist Church in Schaller, Iowa. Burial will be in the Schaller Cemetery. Visitation will be held Sunday, September 29, 2024 from 5-7:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in SCHALLER. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Schaller is in charge of the arrangements.

Verdeen was born January 5, 1930 to Louis and Lena (Lenz) Luft in Odebolt, Iowa. He was raised in Schaller, Iowa and attended a country school in Cook Township.

On June 13, 1954, Verdeen was united in marriage to Darlene Rhoads in Sac City, Iowa. They were blessed with two children: Dean and Jolene. They also gained two honorary daughters: Laurene and Paula.

Farming was Verdeen's passion. He started planting crops at 16 years old and continued for 70 years. Verdeen was a member of the Lion's Club, Farm Bureau Board, and Agland Co-op Board. In his free time, he loved to fish. Every year, Verdeen took trips to the Lake of the Woods. He looked forward to Dean driving him to get ice cream, taking trips to the casino, and playing Bingo. He loved bowling and played on senior bowling leagues. Working on antique tractors brought Verdeen joy and he enjoyed going on tractor rides. He also enjoyed collecting and restoring hand pumps. Verdeen will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Verdeen is survived by his children: Dean Luft of Schaller, Iowa; Jolene (Brent) Turnquist of Schaller, Iowa; honorary daughters: Laurene (John) Mills of Sioux City, Iowa; Paula Hill of Cherokee, Iowa; grandchildren: Rachel (Kelly) Sturtevant; Brandon (Tollie) Turnquist; Wes Turnquist; Andy Mills; Michael (Janice McGinty) Mills; Heather Bubke; Neil Bubke; Michelle (Chris) Horton; great-grandchildren: Tiffany (Dayton) Briggs; Mikayla Hanson;

Braeden Grimes (Maya); Walker Sturtevant; Heaven Sturtevant; Brock Turnquist; Connor Turnquist; Alexis Turnquist (Zach); Peyton Turnquist; Kyson Turnquist; Trenten Mills (Trinity); Allie Mills; Dakota Horton; Chase Horton; Tanner Horton; Emersyn Horton; great-great-grandchild: Jaxon Grimes; nieces, nephews, extended relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife: Darlene Luft; brother: Calvin Luft; nephew: Keith Luft; parents-in-law: Wesley (Evaline) Rhoads; and brother-in-law: Mike Hill.

# Cemetery Details

**Schaller Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

SEP **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Schaller  
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Schaller, IA 51053  
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### Funeral Service

SEP **30**. 10:30 AM (CT)

United Methodist Church -- Schaller  
209 W 3rd Street  
Schaller, IA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Verdeen R. Luft*



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September 27, 2024 at 01:43 PM