



## Robert C. Schmidt

August 13, 2016 - August 13, 2016

Robert C. Schmidt, 74, of Lincoln, formerly of Kearney, died August 13, 2016 at Sumner Place Nursing Home in Lincoln. Funeral service will be 10:30 a.m., Friday, August 19, 2016 at Zion Lutheran Church with Pastor James DeLoach officiating. Burial will be at the Kearney Cemetery with Military Rites provided by the United States Air Force Funeral Honors Team, Kearney American Legion Post #52, and Kearney V.F.W. Post #759. Visitation will be from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Thursday, August 18, 2016 at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl. Memorials are suggested to the Zion Lutheran Radio Broadcast program and International Lutheran Layman's League. Robert was born December 1, 1941 in Quincy, Illinois to Paul and Florene (Pieper) Schmidt. Robert graduated from Bloomfield High School in 1959. He joined the Air Force in 1964 and while serving his country for four years, met his wife Sara Ball. Bob and Sara were married December 28, 1964 in Tucumcari, New Mexico; a marriage that lasted more than 50 years. They moved to and worked in Nebraska while Bob completed a degree at Kearney State College and began to work with youth in Kearney's Youth Development Center (today the YRTC). At the center, Bob taught and mentored thousands of individuals over his 30+ years, eventually retiring in 2006. Playing softball, watching the sky, fishing, singing and photography were some of the activities woven in between his service of love to his family and to his local church. His voice was a regular in the local Barbershop, on the church radio broadcast and within the choir. He was often one of the first in and last member out the church door on a Sunday. Filled

with creativity and humor, Bob found ways to have fun in a quiet contented way. Even in some of the “confusion” of his final years he was kind and gentlemanly; making him beloved by the individuals who cared for him. Robert is survived by his son Paul Schmidt and wife Kathy of Lincoln; daughter Susan Burton and husband Richard of Lincoln; grandchildren Janna Schmidt, Robert Schmidt, Anna Burton, and Lily Burton all of Lincoln; twin sister, Renee Sazama of Bloomfield; sister, Celine Fehringer of Pierce; brothers in-law; nieces & nephews; cousins and friends. Robert was preceded in death by his beloved wife Sara in 2015.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert C. Schmidt*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *I loved your parents. I pray that God will be with you at this difficult time. May He wrap His arms around you in comfort.*

**Diana Banks Roeder** - August 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bob was a good example for many young men and imparted much knowledge to them. He allowed them to see and learn the dividends of a good work ethic. May his memory be eternal.*

**Tim O'Dea** - August 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Paul and Susie,  
My prayers go out to you during this time of loss. While we know in our hearts that your Dad is at home in the room that God has prepared for him, it is always hard for those left here on earth. Take comfort in your memories and know in your heart that your Dad is reunited with your Mom and there is no more pain or confusion. One day we will see them again!  
God certainly blessed you with wonderful parents. Thanks be to God for the blessings he has given us. May he grant you comfort until it is our turn to go.*

**Nancy Kreutzer Hanson** - August 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM