



Dr. George Robert Schneider

October 30, 1937 - February 5, 2025

Dr. George Robert Schneider, 87, of Hurricane, WV passed away on Wednesday February 5, 2025.

He was the third child of the late Elmer Robert Schneider and Clara Roemer Schneider. His two older sisters, Dottie and Marjorie, spoiled him well, buying him matchbox cars with their paychecks. He received his PhD. in Aeronautical Engineering from Purdue University, where he also met his late-wife Dorothy Jean (Cooper) Schneider. He was editor in chief of the school newspaper.

After serving in the U.S. Army he had a distinguished career serving his country at the Department of Defense, receiving awards including the Distinguished Executive Service Award. In his last few years in the Pentagon as the Director of Strategic and Tactical Systems, he had oversight of ALL major defense acquisition programs (planes, ships, missiles, vehicle, and other systems). He was described by one former colleague as “one of the finest people I ever worked for or served with.” He was also Deputy Director of the SALT Task Force in the ‘70s. His time in Geneva spurred a life filled with international travel, which he enjoyed with his entire family. This enabled showing off his skill in photography, which he had perfected in dark rooms as an undergrad.

George and Jeannie had two children: Christine Louise Shaffer and Calvin

Robert Schneider; and four grandchildren: Emma Louise Shaffer, Lauren Grace Shaffer, Talia Jane Schneider and Rex Harry Schneider.

He was very active in church, participating in Bible study, discipleship classes, and Sunday school, attending both Lutheran and Methodist churches. He was often complimented on the smoothness of his voice and delivery when being the liturgist. He was a skilled tennis player into his 80's. He had a wonderful sense of humor even through his final days, winning the hearts of his caregivers, and selfless to the end.

A Celebration of Life for George will be 3:00 pm Sunday March 30, 2025 at St. John United Methodist Church, Scott Depot, WV with Rev. Teresa Markins officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to: Youth Ministry, St. John's Methodist Church 4536 Teays Valley Road Scott Depot, WV 25560.

Chapman Funeral Home 3941 Teays Valley Road Hurricane, WV 25526 is honored to serve the Schneider family.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR **30**. 3:00 PM (ET)

St. John United Methodist Church
4536 Teays Valley Road
Scott Depot, WV 25560

Tribute Wall

JP

“ *Our prayers are with you all. Hugs from Louisville, Kentucky! I remember many family reunions, Fourth of July picnics. God bless you all.*

Janet (Roemer) Pearson - March 05, 2025 at 10:49 AM

SJ

“ *Dr. Schneiter was an public servant in the true sense of the term. I had the very good fortune to work for him in the Pentagon. He was a terrific leader and manager, accomplished great things in support of national defense, and had a ready wit and positive approach to every challenge. He was a great boss and a great friend. Rest in peace.*
Very respectfully, Steve Johnson

Steve Johnson - February 21, 2025 at 11:10 AM

HO

“ *The first time I met George I was 10 years old. He thought my name was unusual and it made him think of the name Hondo from the movies. That settled it. For all the years I knew him he always called me Hondo. Peace, George. Honora*

Honora - February 08, 2025 at 05:14 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of George Robert Schneider, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten...
My thoughts
and prayers to the family of

US Army Veteran, George Robert Schneider, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - February 08, 2025 at 08:21 AM

MR

Way back when...many wonderful family reunions at Sunny Acres in Prospect, KY. ❤️

I also have memories of listening to UK basketball games on the radio at Uncle Elmer's and Aunt Clara's house.

Thoughts and prayers go out to the Schneider family from the Mark Roemer family.

Mark Roemer - March 06, 2025 at 08:06 AM