



## Gerald Schmidt

March 22, 2024

Gerald “Jerry” Schmidt was born on October 19, 1940, on a farm near St. Helena, Nebraska. He was the second child of Henry and Cecilia Schmidt. Jerry passed away on March 22, 2024.

Jerry attended Immaculate Conception Catholic School grade school and attended two years at St. Helena Public High School and finished his education at Yankton High School graduating in 1958.

He primarily worked on their family farm and a few odd jobs until joining the United States Air Force. He served honorably in the Air Force for four years with the majority of his time serving in Alaska.

Jerry married Sharon Sudbeck on January 11, 1969, in Hartington, Nebraska at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. They moved to Fort Collins, Colorado shortly after their wedding and Jerry began working for the Fort Collins Street Department where he retired after 40 years.

Jerry loved farming and converted a large portion of their back yard into a vegetable garden. Each year his crop production so plentiful that he shared much of his produce with friends and neighbors, while still having enough for the family. Sharon commented that they never purchased vegetables from the store. In addition, he loved farming so much that he spent many summer

vacations back on his family farm helping with field work, as well as playing weekend farmer helping friends on a nearby farm with their field work.

Jerry is survived by his wife Sharon, daughter Rhonda and her husband Brian, son Robert, granddaughter Brenna and her husband Jordan, granddaughter Rianne, and eleven brothers and sisters. He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Cecilia and brother Vernon, Vernon's son Craig, and niece Tiffany.

Visitation and Vigil service will be held at 6:00pm, Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Parish located at 5450 S. Lemay Ave. Fort Collins, Colorado 80525.

Memorial Mass will be held at 10:00 am Thursday, April 4, 2024, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Parish with reception to follow.

Interment will be at Resthaven Memory Gardens at 11:00 am Friday, April 5, 2024, in the Victory Garden located at 8426 US-287, Fort Collins, Colorado 80525

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 3. 6:00 PM (MT)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church  
5450 South Lemay Avenue  
Fort Collins, CO 80525  
seas@seas-parish.org  
<http://seas-parish.org/>

## Memorial Mass

APR 4. 10:00 AM (MT)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church  
5450 South Lemay Avenue  
Fort Collins, CO 80525  
seas@seas-parish.org  
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## Interment

APR 5. 11:00 AM (MT)

Resthaven Memory Gardens  
8426 South Highway 287  
Fort Collins, CO 80525

# Tribute Wall

MJ

“ Uncle Gerry I love and will miss you. Thank for all the wonderful Colorado vacations as a child. For making me laugh when you would come home and tell Grams, " Okay Mother I am going out to play farmer with one of the big tractors. " I would always have to ask her "Are you sure that is a wise idea? " She would tell to go out and see if he'll give you a ride., " You always made time to. Tell Grams, Grandpa, Vernon, Roy, Ray, Craig and Tiffany we miss and love them. Rest in peace you will be missed.

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**Melissa Jackson** - April 03, 2024 at 06:11 PM

BR

“ My grandpa did everything for my sister and I growing up. He let us garden with him, always gave us chocolate from his chocolate stash, and even set up an emergency pool in the backyard on a summer day after we begged. He was a rock for us and someone who never let us forget just how much we were loved. I will always remember him for his ornery grin, which seems to be hereditary, and seeing his back sticking up out of the green bean stalks.

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**Brenna** - March 29, 2024 at 02:57 PM

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*My condolences to Jerry's family, I met Jerry as I ventured into a career with the water department. He was a very caring person and a good friend. May the good lord bless you all and your hearts, God bless you all. Sam Trujillo*

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**Sam Trujillo** - April 01, 2024 at 01:37 PM

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*I worked with Jerry and he was a great person who was always willing to help out and do whatever needed to be done. I'm sure he will be missed.*  
*Angel Ontiveros*

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**Angel** - April 01, 2024 at 09:07 PM

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*RIP Jerry, you were one of the good guys.*  
*Bob Loeven*

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**Bob Loeven** - April 02, 2024 at 08:40 PM