



Linus H. Tretter

March 17, 1940 - December 7, 2025

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Linus H. Tretter, age 85, of Celestine, Indiana, passed away at 3:45 a.m. on Sunday, December 7, 2025, at Scenic Hills at the Monastery in Ferdinand, Indiana.

Linus was born in Spencer County, Indiana, on March 17, 1940, to Christian and Mary (Schaeffer) Tretter. He married Mary Lou Hoffman on June 20, 1964, at St. Celestine Catholic Church in Celestine, Indiana. She preceded him in death on January 4, 2017.

He was a United States Veteran, serving in the Army National Guard.

He was a lifetime farmer, and had worked at Brosmer Woodworking/Best Chairs for approximately 15 years.

Linus was a member of St Isidore Parish – St. Celestine Catholic Church in Celestine, Indiana, Celestine Community Club, and Good Shepherd of the Hills K of C.

He enjoyed farming, spending time with his dog, Lady, and spending time with

family and friends. He loved watching sports and was an avid St. Louis Cardinals and I.U. Basketball fan.

Surviving are one daughter, Denise (Kevin) Schroering, Celestine, IN, three sons, Brian (Jill) Tretter, Huntingburg, IN, Kevin Tretter, Indianapolis, IN, and Michael (Kelly) Tretter, Celestine, IN, 10 grandchildren, four great grandchildren, three sisters, Irene Balbach, Haubstadt, IN, Almeda Hopf, Jasper, IN, and Alice (Leo) Gilson, Jasper, IN, two sisters-in-law, Betty Tretter, Ferdinand, IN, and Judy Tretter, Huntingburg, IN, sisters and brothers-in-law from his wife, Mary Lou's side, Carol (Paul) Knies, Jasper, IN, Alan (Dana) Hoffman, Jasper, IN, and Jack Goodman, Celestine, IN, and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death besides his wife are one sister, Esther (John) Weidenbenner, two brothers, Ray and Urban Tretter, two brothers-in-law, Bill Balbach and Donnie Hopf, and in-laws from Mary Lou's side, Eugenia (Henry) Rahman, Shirley Goodman, and Frances Goodman.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Linus Tretter will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 12, 2025, at St. Celestine Catholic Church in Celestine, Indiana, with burial to follow in the church cemetery.

A visitation will be held from 2:00-7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 11, 2025, at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper, Indiana, and one hour before services from 9:00-10:00 a.m. on Friday at the church. The parish will pray a rosary at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home on Thursday.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Isidore Parish or to a favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made to www.becherkluesner.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Celestine Cemetery

6864 Indiana 164
Celestine, IN 47521

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 11. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Becher & Kluesner Funeral Home - Downtown
214 East 7th Street
Jasper, IN 47546
(812) 482-4141
email@becherkluesner.com

Visitation

DEC 12. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Celestine Church
6864 Indiana 64
Celestine, IN

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Celestine Cemetery
6864 Indiana 164
Celestine, IN 47521

Tribute Wall

MF

“ so sorry for your loss my brother *Linus Hagedorn* was a close friend and neighbor. He was the last of the trio of *Mr. Harpenau* there now having a great time with his wife and the trio.

God bless you all

Maroly, Dean & Hunter Flamion - December 15, 2025 at 09:35 PM

MF

And Pauline Schaefer

Marolyn, Dean & Hunter Flamion - December 15, 2025 at 09:37 PM

GB

“ Gary & Phyllis Begle lit a candle in memory of *Linus H. Tretter*



Gary & Phyllis Begle - December 08, 2025 at 10:15 PM

DR

“ Dave And Michele Reuber lit a candle in memory of *Linus H. Tretter*



Dave and Michele Reuber - December 08, 2025 at 03:34 PM