



Wayne "Jack" Schneider

December 24, 1931 - January 22, 2017

Dateline Jasper, Indiana

Wayne "Jack" Schneider, age 85 of Jasper, Indiana, passed away at 4:20 a.m. on Sunday, January 22, 2017 in Carmel, Indiana.

Jack was born in Jasper, Indiana on December 24, 1931 to Arnold and Anita (Landgrebe) Schneider. He married Josephine Mead on July 13, 1956 in Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Evansville. She preceded him in death on July 22, 2013.

Jack was a 1949 graduate of Jasper High School. As the Sports Editor of the school newspaper the Comet during his senior year, he garnered statewide recognition as the only person to predict the Jasper Wildcat Basketball team's capture of the 49' state crown. After attending Indiana University, he began a nearly 20 year career in the newspaper business working primarily as a sportswriter for papers in Greenwood, Evansville, Louisville, Kentucky and Scottsburg.

While in Louisville, he served as the Indiana Sports Editor for the Louisville Times and was the beat writer for Indiana University Football and Basketball. The highlight of his sports writing career was covering the 1967 IU Football team who played in the Rose Bowl Game on January 1, 1968. He traveled

with the team to Pasadena, California.

In 1972, he returned to Jasper and became the Director of Public Relations for the Jasper Corporation later known as Kimball International. He retired in 1996 after 24 years with the company.

He was a member and past president of the Indiana Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association, the Jasper Chamber of Commerce, Jasper Band Parents and the Jasper Kiwanis Club. He served as committee chairman for the club's 50th anniversary celebration in 1986. He also handled publicity for the Dubois County Unit of the American Heart Association and served as Vice President of the unit's Board of Directors.

He was an avid photographer shooting many areas and features of the Jasper community among others. His favorite target was St. Joseph's Catholic Church in which he was an active member serving over the years as a Eucharistic minister, a lector, a Stephen minister, editor of The Tower publication and was a part of the Liturgy Commission.

In his retirement Jack enjoyed creating and maintaining many flower gardens around his home drawing the attention and compliments from many in the Jasper community.

He and his wife Josephine enjoyed traveling during their golden years, visiting many destinations around the United States and Europe.

He was an avid fan of the St. Louis Cardinals, and a close follower of Indiana University Football and Basketball teams as well as Jasper High School Athletics.

Surviving are six daughters; Jackie (Jim) Schultheis, Fishers, IN, Judy (Terry)

Kleiser Plainfield, IN, Jennifer (Steve) Braun, Zionsville, IN, Joyce Schneider (Indianapolis), Jane (Matt) Thibodeau, Fishers, Crystal (Brad) Strong Palatine, IL. Three sons; Charlie (Connie) Schneider, Fishers, IN, Craig (Jami) Schneider, and Carey Schneider, both of Jasper.

Twenty Two Grandchildren;

Melissa, Erin, and Michael Schultheis, Carrie Black, Melanie Langford, Christopher Kleiser, Alexandra Noel, Callyn Riggs, John, Adam, and Maren Braun, Candice Haddad, Samantha Haddad-Foster, and Andrew Haddad, Cassandra Thomas, Jessica, Madelyn, and Rachel Thibodeau, Zach and Drew Schneider, and Jeremy and Dylan Strong.

Ten Great-Grandchildren;

Gabe, Ryan, and Alexis Black, Nathaniel, Violet and Rosemary Noel, Jack Langford, Lincoln Thomas, Timothy Thomas, and Marshall Foster.

One sister, Phyllis Pauley, Indianapolis, and two brothers, Jerry (Jan) Schneider, Holland, IN, and Pat (Virlee) Schneider, Indianapolis.

Preceding him in death besides his wife were one son, Christopher Schneider, one grandson, Ian Sean Schneider-Thomas, and one brother, Fred Schneider.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday January 27, 2017 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Jasper, with burial to follow in Fairview Cemetery.

A visitation will be held from 3-7 p.m., on Thursday, January 26, 2017 at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper, IN. A rosary will be prayed at 2:45 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church or a favorite charity.

Condolences may be made at www.becherkluesner.com

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

1020 Kundek Street
Jasper, IN 47546

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 26. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Mass

JAN 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

St Joseph Catholic Church
1029 Kundek Street
Jasper, IN 47546

Tribute Wall



“ Wayne "Jack" Schneider

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ What a wonderful man and the rock of a terrific family. My condolences.

Mike "Satch" Sander
Indianapolis



Mike Sander - February 24, 2017 at 05:54 PM



“ When I took over the Jasper Reds years ago my dad said you need to get somebody to keep the checkbook for you. He knew that running the tea m would be a big chore for a 19-year old. As usual, he was right. We both knew we needed somebody who liked baseball, could be trusted, & had integrity. Dad said I know the perfect guy--Jack Schneider. Jack helped us out for several years & did a great job! RIP Jack. My deepest sympathy to his family. He was a true gentleman.

hjBob Alles - January 26, 2017 at 07:38 PM

RR

“ Uncle Jack was married to my Dad's (Charles P. Meade) youngest Sister, Aunt Jo. I have many fond memories of spending time with them on visits both to our hometown of McLeansboro, IL and at their home in Jasper. We were always warmly welcomed. I recall that when the adults gathered around to visit, Uncle Jack would after a short time make his way to where all the children were playing and join them. This was where he seemed to be most comfortable and was having the best time. He was truly a family man and his love for you was evident. Cousins; May you be comforted in the knowledge that he is now rejoicing in Heaven being reunited with Aunt Jo and other family members that have gone on before. We will cherish our memories. I am saddened by the loss of my last Uncle. As my brother Gary Meade has said...We are now the elders. Love and Blessings to you all. Rebecca (Meade) Rehfuss

Rebecca Rehfuss - January 26, 2017 at 06:06 PM

SB

“ This message is for Joyce and the entire family, from Sharla (Buschkoetter) Baburchak. Joyce, I have not been feeling well, and therefore chose not to get out to visit you at the funeral home this evening. I am sorry, and trust you understand. But I wanted to express my deepest condolences to you and the family. I am grateful for all the high school memories of coming to your house, where we were always welcomed warmly and with smiles from your Dad. It is my prayer that you all may rest your souls in the Peace of God, trusting in His faithful promises of eternal life for us. May you be comforted by the Holy Spirit, who gives you strength in your grieving. And may the many memories bring Joy and Smiles to your hearts. I miss seeing you, Joyce. Next time you are planning to come to Jasper, please let me know ahead of time, for I would like to meet up with you. Sending my Love and a great big (((hug))).

Sharla Baburchak - January 26, 2017 at 03:34 PM

GM

“ Jack is my uncle. He married my Aunt Jo when I was a boy. He was such a wonderful personable man. He loved and cared not only for his immediate family but for my parents(Charles and Lucille Meade) and grandparents(Charles Elmer and Sarah Ann Mead) and all his nephews and nieces on both sides of the family. We always enjoyed being in his presence when He and Aunt Jo and the kids would visit in our home place in McLeansboro, Illinois and on the occasions we were in Jasper. He always carried himself in an honorable way. To all my cousins- May you find peace and comfort in all the good memories of your Dad. I will always remember him. He is the last of that generation in our family. Now, we are the oldest generation. May GOD give you strength during this time.
Gary Meade

Gary Meade - January 26, 2017 at 03:15 PM

CT

“ Jack was an outstanding sportswriter in Evansville when I recruited him in 1960 to succeed me as Indiana sports editor of The Louisville Times. I needed a replacement so I could become business editor, and Jack was a perfect fit. We worked in the same newsroom for nearly a decade, and I went with him on dozens of trips to Bloomington when he covered IU basketball and football games. I learned of his devotion to Jo and their growing family, his church, the St. Louis Cardinals, Jasper and IU. Jack brought energy, skill and interest to all his activities. He was an accomplished photographer and created marvelous flower gardens. My condolences to his family.

Charlie Teeple, Jeffersonville

Charlie Teeple - January 26, 2017 at 08:23 AM



“ Jack was a wonderful friend and a good storyteller. He will be remembered by Jasper and IU fans for his fine sports reporting. My condolences to brother Jerry and the Schneider family. Rocky Renneisen, Signal Mountain, TN

Charles Renneisen - January 24, 2017 at 12:46 PM



“ I did not know Jack personally, but heard many wonderful things about him from one of his beloved daughters, Crystal. I know that he was well loved, he will be missed very much, and that he was a wonderful man, husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and so many other things to do many other people. God bless Jack and his family, so glad that he is having a great day today in Heaven! ❤️

Sue Maentanis - January 23, 2017 at 08:09 PM



may your good memories console your heart with peace and comfort thar his time with alll his family was rich with love.

Joanne montreuil - January 25, 2017 at 05:57 AM

DN

“ Schneider family - I wish to express my condolences to the entire family at this difficult time. I remember when he joined Jasper Corporation, I was assistant to Arnold Habig at the time. He was a man of high integrity, and Mr. Habig held him in high esteem. If you needed a little pick-up in an otherwise busy chaotic world, just stop by Jack's office, and the whole world seemed a little brighter. And could he tell stories... I remember laughing at so many of the stories he had to share. Quite a man, I did not see him again after I left JC in 1973, but remember him as a kind compassionate gentleman. May your memories bring you comfort at this difficult time.

*Delphine Neukam, Indianapolis
Previously from Irvine, CA and JASPER!!*

Delphine Neukam - January 23, 2017 at 07:41 PM

NS

“ I loved spending time at the home of Jack and Jo 30+ years ago. So much fun and laughter spending time with my aunt, uncle and cousins! Always had a great time at the home on 9th and Soliga!

Nicki Schneider - January 23, 2017 at 07:29 PM

JM

“ He was a great man, and the head of a great family. My condolences to all of you, and all that are missing and remembering him now.

-Jason McCune

Jason McCune - January 23, 2017 at 04:50 PM

PH

“ *Our sympathies to the family. Jack will be missed. Paul, Sue,
Thomas & Olivia Habig*

Paul Habig - January 23, 2017 at 03:40 PM