



## Ron Schmit

August 29, 1954 - June 23, 2024

Ron, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, son, brother and friend, passed away at the age of 69 on June 23, 2024. He leaves behind a legacy of hard work, laughter, and unwavering love for his family and friends.

Ron was raised in O'Neill, Nebraska to John and Eileen Schmit with five siblings (Melvin, Tom, Roger, Kevin and Kristi). He approached every project with a determination to “get-er-done”. This strong work ethic carried into ownership of the grocery store in Hemingford, his house renovations or simply mowing his lawn, which he took great pride in. He approached everything with determination and saw it through to completion.

Beyond his work, Ron had a passion for living life to the fullest. He had a sharp wit and a gift for sarcasm paired with a smile that could light up any room. He found joy in the simple pleasures, like a round of golf with friends, spending quality time with his grandchildren, working in the shop or watching a movie at home. He adored his grandchildren and his nieces and nephews beyond measure.

After meeting through a mutual friend, he shared a marriage with the love of his life and dancing partner, Pat, for 49 years. Their partnership was an example of love, respect, entrepreneurship and strong commitment to family. Together, they created a home filled with laughter, warmth, and cherished memories that will endure for generations to come.

Family was at the heart of Ron's world. He cherished every moment with them, creating lasting memories filled with laughter and love that included a

healthy dose of ridicule. His unconditional love, support and guidance were a source of strength for his family, and his presence will be deeply missed. Ron's legacy of dedication, kindness, and joy will continue to inspire all who were fortunate enough to know him. There will be countless stories and memories that will remain in infamy.

He is survived by his wife Pat; daughter, Becci (Jeff) Blaesing of Shawnee, Kansas; grandchildren, Jackson and Katelynn Blaesing and Kelsie and Emma Schmit; and mother, Eileen. He is preceded in death by his son, Eric and father, John.

A Memorial Service will be held on June 28, at 4 p.m. at St. Leo's Catholic Church, 2410 S. Blaine St, Grand Island, Nebraska. A viewing will be held just prior to Mass at 3 p.m. Celebrant will be Fr. Don Buhrman. All Faiths Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Bobcats Beating Cancer, P.O. Box 603 Hemingford, NE 69348 or online: <https://app.aplos.com/aws/give/OTCF/Hemingford-Community-Foundation>.

Please join us in remembering and honoring the remarkable life of Ron Schmit. If you'd like to share a fun memory or story of your time with him that will stand the test of time, please send an email to [memoriesofronschmit@gmail.com](mailto:memoriesofronschmit@gmail.com). We will be creating a memorial book for the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **28**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

St. Leo's Catholic Church  
2410 S Blaine St  
Grand Island, NE 68801  
(308) 382-4753

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUN **28**. 4:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

DR

“ *Our sympathy and prayers to the family.  
Dennis & Roxanne Ryan of Oneill NE*

D Ryan - June 28, 2024 at 12:46 PM

PC

“ *Plains Cover Crop purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Ron Schmit.*



Plains Cover Crop - June 28, 2024 at 10:40 AM

JF

“ *So sorry for your loss. Ron always had a smile ready to tell a joke he will be missed JERRY FLOREZ*

Jerry Florez - June 28, 2024 at 07:45 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ron Schmit.*



June 27, 2024 at 04:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Ron Schmit.



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June 27, 2024 at 01:01 PM



“ *Your friends at JE Dunn Construction purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Ron Schmit.



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**Your friends at JE Dunn Construction** - June 27, 2024 at 11:55 AM



“ *Your friends at JE Dunn Construction planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ron Schmit.*

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**Your friends at JE Dunn Construction** - June 27, 2024 at 11:55 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Ron Schmit.



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June 27, 2024 at 09:36 AM

FC

“ Friends & Family -JE Dunn Construction planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ron Schmit.

Friends & Family -JE Dunn Construction - June 27, 2024 at 09:36 AM

SR

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Thinking of your family and wishing you moments of peace and comfort during this time. Sharing in your sadness as you remember Ron Schmit.

*In honor of Ron Schmit, The Southside River Rats have sent a contribution to Bobcats Beating Cancer.*

Southside River Rats - June 27, 2024 at 09:19 AM

YF

“ your Bethany Vision / AEG Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ron Schmit.



your Bethany Vision / AEG Family - June 26, 2024 at 03:40 PM

YF

“ your Bethany Vision / AEG Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ron Schmit.

your Bethany Vision / AEG Family - June 26, 2024 at 03:40 PM

LF

“ Love, Brad & Tamara Fox purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ron Schmit.



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Love, Brad & Tamara Fox - June 26, 2024 at 02:30 PM

LF

“ Love, Brad & Tamara Fox planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ron Schmit.

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Love, Brad & Tamara Fox - June 26, 2024 at 02:30 PM

DW

“ Perky and I were fortunate 3 years ago to reconnect with these old friends. We had forgotten how much we were alike in the things we each cherished, family, friends and fun. I told Ron that I had to have a Bloody Mary on Saturdays just to know what day it is. A few days later Ron made a good point, we could just pretend everyday is Saturday! Good point and a friendship was created. RIP my friend always on my mind.



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Denny Weatherly - June 26, 2024 at 12:49 PM

MF

“ Morrison and Grove family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ron Schmit.



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**Morrison and Grove family** - June 26, 2024 at 11:13 AM

MF

“ Morrison and Grove family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ron Schmit.

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**Morrison and Grove family** - June 26, 2024 at 11:13 AM

SF

“ Schmit & Miller families purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ron Schmit.



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**Schmit & Miller families** - June 26, 2024 at 08:15 AM

DN

“ Dan and sara Nielson purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Ron Schmit.



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**Dan and sara Nielson** - June 25, 2024 at 11:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Ron Schmit.



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June 25, 2024 at 10:49 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Ron Schmit.



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June 25, 2024 at 09:50 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Ron Schmit.



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June 25, 2024 at 09:07 PM



“ *Brad and Sandy Haas and families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ron Schmit.*

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**Brad and Sandy Haas and families** - June 25, 2024 at 09:07 PM

JH

“ Jim and Jill, Todd and Heidi purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ron Schmit.



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**Jim and Jill, Todd and Heidi** - June 25, 2024 at 07:37 PM

JH

“ Jim and Jill, Todd and Heidi planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ron Schmit.

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**Jim and Jill, Todd and Heidi** - June 25, 2024 at 07:37 PM

BS

“ I will always remember Ronnie for his kindness and his huge heart. He will be remembered for his contagious smile and his ability to make a joke in any situation! He was so fun to be around.

*My heart is broken knowing that he will no longer be here. I am so glad that his family got to tell him how much they loved him. Thank God for those very special moments.*

*God bless Ronnie and give him some wood projects and golf clubs in Heaven to keep him busy. Huge hugs to all. Ronnie will be forever missed.*

*Sending peace and love to Pat, Becky and family, Grandma, all of Ronnie's siblings and Grandbabies and all who loved him.*

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**Bridget Schmit** - June 25, 2024 at 02:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Ron Schmit.



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June 25, 2024 at 09:33 AM



“ *The Folkerts/Sorensen Crew* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ron Schmit.

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**The Folkerts/Sorensen Crew** - June 25, 2024 at 09:33 AM