



## William "Bill" Clair Schlachter

August 10, 1948 - August 3, 2024

William "Bill" Clair Schlachter, age 75, of Grand Island, passed away on Saturday, August 3, 2024 at CHI St. Francis Medical Center surrounded by his loving family.

A celebration of life service with military honors will be held on Monday, August 12th at 11:11am at Peace Lutheran Church with Pastor Carl Eliason officiating. The service will be livestreamed on Peace Lutheran Celebration of Life-Grand Island Facebook page. Visitation will be held on Sunday, August 11th from 4 to 6pm at Peace Lutheran Church. Burial of the urn will take place at a later date at the Trinity Lutheran Cemetery in Bruning. Memorials suggested to the family for future designation. All Faiths Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements. Condolences can be left at [www.gjallfaiths.com](http://www.gjallfaiths.com).

Bill was born on August 10, 1948 in Hastings to Harlan and Gloria (Smith) Schlachter. He grew up in Hastings and graduated from Hastings High School in 1966. After graduation he enlisted in the United States Navy and was honorably discharged in 1971. He attended Kearney State and received a Bachelors degree.

On December 3, 1967 he was united in marriage to Gloria Kay Wyssman. To this union three daughters were born.

Bill was the Chief of Police in Sutton, NE for one year. He then began his career with the Nebraska State Patrol in 1972. He was assigned to Lincoln, Alliance, Chadron, Norfolk and then in 1982 to Grand Island. Bill retired from the State Patrol in 1998 as a Lieutenant. Following his retirement he worked for State Farm Insurance. In his spare time, he was the assistant track coach for GI Central Catholic, served on the American Red Cross National Disaster Assistance team and he was a member of Peace Lutheran Church and served on the Stephen Ministries board. Bill was on the Board of Directors for the Friendship House and the YMCA. He was active in the Grand Island Softball Association and played softball until he was 66.

Those left to cherish Bill's memory include his wife, Gloria; daughters, Jill (Trinity) Jones of Bennington and Janeece (Jason) Chohon of Grand Island; son in-law, Kevin Splattstoesser; 6 grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren; brother, Mike (Kathy) Schlachter of Grand Island; sister, Vickie (Pete) Hesselgesser of Highland Village, TX and numerous other relatives and friends.

Bill is preceded in death by his daughter, Julie Splattstoesser; parents; brother, Roger; aunts, uncles and cousins.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **11.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Peace Lutheran  
1710 N. North Rd  
Grand Island, NE 68803

## Celebration of Life Service

AUG **12.** 11:11 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *All Faiths Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of William "Bill" Clair Schlachter*



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**All Faiths Funeral Home** - August 06, 2024 at 11:57 AM

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“ *Daphne Brandt and family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of William "Bill" Clair Schlachter.*



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**Daphne Brandt and family** - August 10, 2024 at 03:31 PM

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“ *I'm so sorry to hear about Bill's passing. He was a great guy and always had a smile on his face. It was always nice to visit with Bill and Gloria on my trips to Grand Island, where I stayed with my brother-in-law and sister, Mike and Kathy Schlachter. RIP Bill. Soar with the angels.*

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**Pam Schultz** - August 07, 2024 at 06:44 PM

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“ Many memories flood over me as I think about times spent with Bill...softball, hunting, spending times watching the Huskers on TV, listening to his insights about life.... We blazed some new trails together. I'll miss him dearly. Tender thoughts to Gloria and the whole family. William A. Brown

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**William A Brown** - August 07, 2024 at 06:32 PM

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“ I am sorry to hear of his passing. I remember him when he was the Chief of Police in Sutton. I was attending Sutton High School during that time. My parents and I knew Bill pretty well. One night the high school was having an activity at the school and I was driving to the high school when Bill pulled me over with the lights and siren. Needless to say I pulled over to see what I had done wrong. Well, Bill walked up to my window and he said "Gregg I was just wondering what was going on at the school tonight because there are so many cars". I told him that now everyone is going to wonder what I was stopped for. I had fun with my answers. He was a great guy! Sorry for the loss to the family! Gregg Trautman

*P.S. I found out about his passing while I was at Bryan Hospital today. I met a retired Sargent from the NSP (Tim Earnhart) I think that was his name. I asked him if he knew Bill Schlacter and he said how ironic. He had just gotten the message of Bill's passing. What a rare occurrence.*

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**Gregg Trautman** - August 05, 2024 at 07:48 PM