



## Allen "Al" Messerschmidt

September 19, 1937 - January 7, 2021

CEDAR FALLS – Allen “Al” Walter Messerschmidt, 83, passed peacefully at home with his family by his side on Thursday, Jan. 7th.

He was born September 19, 1937 in Shelby County, son of Walter and Mabel (Krohn) Messerschmidt. Allen married Marjorie Lustgraaf on April 4, 1959, they later divorced. He was then joined in union to Kay Loveland on November 9th, 1979 in Charles City.

Allen graduated from Shelby High School and went on to serve in the United States Navy from 1956-1960. He then joined the reserves, serving from 1960-1963. He was awarded the Spirit Honor Medal upon completion of boot camp at Great Lakes Naval Training Center. After being honorably discharged, Allen worked for the Iowa Workforce Development as a fraud investigator, finally retiring in 1999.

Allen was the past president of the Iowa Senior Bowling Association, as well as a past board member of the Valley Park Bowling Association. While living in Neola, he served as a volunteer fireman, local boy scout leader, and enjoyed being a certified baseball umpire. He was a long-time active member of Cedar Falls First United Methodist Church.

Survived by: his wife: Kay; 11 children: Sheryl Goldapp of Neola, Greg (Sheron) Messerschmidt of Underwood, Karen (Danny) Crosse of Sioux Falls

SD, Steve Messerschmidt of Neola, Cathy Long of Council Bluffs, Aaron (Deana) Messerschmidt of Waterloo, Matthew (Amy) Shook of Janesville, Dan Shook of Cedar Falls, Becky (Dan) Alberts of Fairbank, Polly Loveland of Richmond, IN, and Laura (Donn) Bruess of Cedar Falls; a sister: Bonnie Eggers of Shelby; two sister-in-law's: Dixie Messerschmidt of Marion and Catherine (Bob) Thoms of Shelby; 22 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Preceded in death by: his parents; a son: Timothy Shook; two brothers: Marvin and Dale; son-in-law: Jerry Goldapp; and brother-in-law, Ronald Eggress.

Private family services will be held at a later date. Memorials may be directed to the family for disbursement to local youth bowling leagues

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Laura, I am so sorry for you and your family's loss. I was shocked to realize I knew your dad professionally from Workforce days! Prayers to you and the family.*

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“ *Condolences. Haven't seen Al since I moved out of the territory six years ago.. Bui I have some fond memories, and I look forward to catching up someday in heaven.*  
*Bill Morse*



William C Morse Jr - January 10, 2021 at 02:43 PM

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“ *Kay and Family: I am so sorry to learn of Al's passing. Sending hugs and prayers to all of you at this difficult time.*  
*Dee Sheerer*

Delores Sheerer - January 10, 2021 at 09:55 AM

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“ *Your friends of the Victim Advisory Council (DOC) purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Allen "Al" Messerschmidt.*



Your friends of the Victim Advisory Council (DOC) - January 09, 2021 at 12:21 PM

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“ *Thinking of you all. What an active life Al led, with a huge family and much love around him.* ”

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**Mary Roche** - January 09, 2021 at 12:20 PM