



## Marvin V. Messerschmidt

April 29, 1931 - March 5, 2014

Marvin V. Messerschmidt (1931-2014)

CEDAR FALLS- Marvin V. Messerschmidt, 82, of Marion formerly of Cedar Falls, died Wednesday, March 5, 2014, at UnityPoint Health-St. Luke's Hospital in Cedar Rapids.

He was born April 29, 1931, in Shelby County, son of Walter F. and Mabel A. Krohn Messerschmidt. He married Dixie R. Moore on July 23, 1952 in Shelby.

He graduated from Shelby High School in 1950 and was a State Trooper for the Iowa State Patrol for 30 years, retiring in December 1986.

Survived by: his wife, Dixie of Marion; two sons, Dan of Marion and Brian (Carin) of Cedar Falls; two daughters, Nancy (Craig) Baumhover of Marion and Kristin (Dan) Wright of Muscatine; seven grandchildren: Lisa (Chris) Moore of Marion, Landon Baumhover of Ames, Zachary (Michelle Vanderah) Messerschmidt of Ankeny, Conner Messerschmidt of Cedar Falls, Tyler (Ashleigh) Wright of Waukee, Jordan (fiancé Leigh Sires) Wright of Cedar Rapids and Levi Wright of Muscatine; four great grandchildren: Damian and Jailyn Moore and Owen and Jackson Messerschmidt; six step grandchildren and five step great-grandchildren; a sister, Bonnie Eggers of Shelby; brother, Allen (Kay) Messerschmidt of Cedar Falls; and sister-in-law, Catherine (Bob)

Thoms of Shelby.

Preceded in death by: a brother, Dale Messerschmidt and a brother-in-law, Ronald Eggerss.

Services: 11:00 a.m. Monday at First United Methodist Church with burial at a later date in Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens, both in Cedar Falls. Military honors conducted by the Cedar Falls AMVETS Post 49. Visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Richardson Funeral Service and also for one hour prior to services Monday at the church.

Memorials may be directed to Shriners Children's Hospital in Minneapolis.

# Cemetery Details

## Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens

Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 233-6136

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Richardson Funeral Service  
615 Main Street  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 266-3525  
[richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com](mailto:richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com)  
<http://richardson.funeralplan2.com>

## Service

MAR 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
718 Clay Street  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
<http://aboutfirst.com>

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Marvin and Dixie were one of the great 10th Street neighbors. I always enjoyed baby sitting with their children. Also remember Marvin as an Iowa State Patrolman. He gave me my driving test when I was 16. Prayers for the family.*

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**Diane Workman Monroe** - March 16, 2014 at 05:22 PM

JB

“ *Worked with Marv and all the District Troopers. Especially liked visiting the Post at nite and seeing what they were up to. Lt Schneider used to ration .38s so we left a few boxes on his desk one nite to give him fits. Of course Marv would not have helped on this. It was those guys from Waverly and Oelwein don't you think. Great dispatchers and techs there also as friends. Marv gave me my motorcycle license. My wife was unhappy. Loved working with this guy and all the others .. Retired Capt. Jerry Bisbey "CFPD. May your family and friends all have comfort in their remembrances.*

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**Jerry Bisbey** - March 10, 2014 at 09:45 AM

SH

“ *Marv was one of the kindest and straight forward troopers I ever met. The first time I met him was while I was working at the Grundy county sheriff dept. He will be missed*

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**Sheree Van Hauen** - March 09, 2014 at 04:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Marvin V. Messerschmidt.



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March 08, 2014 at 04:44 PM



“ *R.I.P. ME-109.*

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**Bob** - March 08, 2014 at 10:11 AM



“ *Heartfelt Memories* was purchased for the family of Marvin V. Messerschmidt.



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March 07, 2014 at 09:05 PM

EF

“ *With Deepest Sympathy*

*It was a pleasure to work with Marvin over the years since 1964. He was always a pleasure to work with and be around. We had many good experiences together during this time. One of the greatest I remember, we were at a funeral for one of the people that was killed during the time we were looking for T-Bone Taylor, the one that had shot two Waterloo Police Officers and we were called out of the funeral when he was spotted near LaPorte City. I went to the airport, got the plane and headed for LaPorte City, spotted T-Bone in a field and gave Marv directions to his location. I remember Marv going into the field and bringing T-Bone out of the field to other awaiting officers. What an accomplishment.....A true pleasure to have known and worked with Marvin over the years. E.R.Pearson X256, Iowa State Patrol*

*Patty Pearson*

*JR Pearson #257 Iowa State Patrol*

*Marcia*

*Randy and Lynn Soll*

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**E.R.Pearson & Family** - March 07, 2014 at 07:08 PM

MM

“*Dixie, Kristin, and family,  
All of us at Post 9 always enjoyed Marv's smile and stories when he visited in his retirement years. He always made a difference, and truly enjoyed talking with others and helping people. Family is also what allowed Marv to be the helpful person he was. Thank you, Dixie and all, for being there for him and for us. Also, a big thank you to Kristin for the many times you babysat our children. The Messerschmidt family was always there when you needed them, and we are a very grateful community for all of your services. Our condolences go out to all of your family during your time of grief.*

*Mel and Sandy McCleary  
(I-74 retired) Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation*

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**Mel McCleary** - March 07, 2014 at 03:17 PM

SA

“*Dixie and family,  
I am so sorry to hear of Marv's passing. I will really miss seeing him and our walks. Know that I and others from the office are thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers.  
Sincerely, Sara Albert, Gentiva and St. Luke's Physical Therapy*

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**sara albert** - March 07, 2014 at 02:37 PM

SH

“*Dixie and Family: My heartfelt condolences from Fort Collins to you all. I have so many fond memories of our families playing and camping together throughout my childhood. You are all a big part of my Iowa memories and Marvin will be missed.  
Steve Hansen, Colorado*

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**Steve Hansen** - March 07, 2014 at 02:19 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marvin V. Messerschmidt.*



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March 07, 2014 at 01:47 PM



“ *Marv and Dixie were good 10th street neighbors. I can't be at his memorial service, but Dixie and the family are in my thoughts and prayers. Margaret Willoughby*

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**margaret willoughby** - March 07, 2014 at 01:25 PM

MM

“ *Dixie and Family:*

*It Only seems like yesterday that Marvin was at the I-380/ 20 #297 interchange showing me how to work a stopwatch. That was one of his favorite fishing holes. Marvin was always very thoughtful towards others and had a true and genuine passion for helping people. Then we would stop for lunch at the Evansdale Bowling Alley.*

*Marvin's dedication to the Iowa State Patrol is etched in our history/archives and will never be forgotten.*

*Thoughts and Prayers to the Messerschmidt Family*

*Respectfully Submitted*

*Major Todd A. Misel #121  
Iowa State Patrol*



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**Major Todd Misel** - March 07, 2014 at 12:24 PM

MI

“ *Dixie, I am sorry to hear about Marv's passing. It doesn't seem that long ago that I was so surprised to see you with friends at a restaurant. (I think it was here in West Des Moines.) Marv will be missed! In Harold's book of his years on the ISP (#146) he put the clipping of Marv's capture of T-Bone in a cornfield. Dixie, you and your kids are in my prayers. I wish I was in CF so I could be with you at the service.*

*Love, Marj Lange*

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**Marjorie Lange, West Des Moines IA** - March 07, 2014 at 12:24 PM

CN

“ Marv is a true hero. Let us never forget Waterloo Officers Wayne Rice and Michael Hoing murdered in the line of duty in 1981. A massive man hunt was conducted for T-Bone Taylor and it was Marv Messerschmidt that spotted him in the bean field and helped bring Taylor to justice. This was 5 years before Marv retired and I was just beginning my law enforcement career. The event has always had a huge impact in my development. I'm proud to say... "234? Yes, I dispatched him!" Rest in peace. Cheryl Nolan Dept. of Public Safety

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**Cheryl Nolan** - March 07, 2014 at 12:15 PM

BC

“ I am fortunate to have known Marv and I am sad to hear he passed away. I first met Marv as I was a new trooper in Cedar Falls. He would stop in to make sure the young troopers were working hard and just catch up with what was going on. I saw Marv on many occasions and he always had a smile on his face and would make sure he said hello. He seemed to find something to joke about with me everytime. I feel fortunate to have known Marv and call him a friend. I truly honor and respect the 30 years of service he gave to the Iowa State Patrol. He will be missed and remembered by many. With thoughts and prayer for Dixie and his family, Bob Conrad

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**Bob Conrad** - March 07, 2014 at 12:02 PM

JP

“ Please accept our sincere condolences for the loss of your loved one. Jesus promises that we will be able to see our loved ones again at John 5:28,29 which talks about the resurrection hope. What a wonderful hope that will be! May this bible thought bring you comfort at this difficult time.

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**Jeff & Peggy** - March 07, 2014 at 11:26 AM

DK

“ Please accept my heartfelt sympathy,so sorry to read of Marv's passing.

*Captain Dan Krutsinger (Black Hawk County Sheriff's Office, retired)*

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**Dan Krutsinger** - March 07, 2014 at 11:08 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Marvin V. Messerschmidt.



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March 07, 2014 at 10:39 AM

ML

“ Our sympathy to all the Messerschmidt family from Maple Lanes Bowling Center staff and friends.

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**maple lanes** - March 07, 2014 at 09:00 AM

JP

*My sincere sympathy to Marv's family. I was fortunate to know him when we worked "across the line" from each other when I was a Trooper assigned to the ISP's "10th Legion" at Oelwein from 1969-81. I enjoyed his great sense of humor. He was a Trooper.*

*- J.D. Peppmeier  
X296 ISP*

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**John Peppmeier** - March 12, 2014 at 09:40 PM