

J. Paul was born on August 18, 1925 in Chanhassen Township to Hazel Radtke and Emil Schlefsky. He was raised and schooled in Chaska, Minnesota where he graduated from high school in 1944. At age 13, J. Paul began working after school with Master Tailor John Jelmek in Chaska until after graduation. This was sure a commitment on the part of J. Paul as he had to forgo the normal "boyish" after-school sports and activities to concentrate on learning his new trade.

He attended Dunwoody for 1 year. J. Paul worked for various tailors including Dayton's Department Store for several years before going into partnership in Chaska with Al Engelhardt, at the age of 23. Engelhardt and Schlefsky was open for 17 years, at the end of 17 years, J. Paul went back to work for Dayton's Department Store.

J. Paul married Elizabeth Abraham in March 1952 to this union came 4 children; Karen, Linda, Mark, and Ruth. Elizabeth (Betty) died in September 1971 of cancer.

J. Paul's tailoring skills continued as he worked for Bill's Toggery in Shakopee for 17 years, until 1986. In October 1986, J. Paul married Mary Lou Klug and they resided in Shakopee until 1988 when they moved to Chaska. J. Paul worked for Carson Pirie Scott before retiring at age 70.

J. Paul was in the American Legion Drum and Bugle Corp for a long time, also Men's club, dart ball, cemetery board and avid card club player. J. Paul loved to dance and listen to polka and old-time music. He was a life-long member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Chaska before moving to Alexandria, MN.

J. Paul and Mary Lou sold their home in Chaska and moved to Alexandria where they had a lovely home on Lake Brophy. He enjoyed being by the lake, fishing, tinkering, and traveling. They spent some winters in the warmth of Texas and Florida meeting new people and visiting with family.

J. Paul was preceded in death by his parents Emil and Hazel; his first wife, Betty; son, Mark; daughter, Ruth; and brother, Earl.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Lou; daughter, Karen and Jim Glowatzke; daughter, Linda and Larry Jeurissen and grandsons, Adam (Tabitha) and Andrew (Alyssa) Jeurissen; stepson, Robin and Lynn Klug and granddaughters, Amy and Abby Klug; stepson, Scott and Kathy Klug and grandchildren, Nicholas (Theresa Herring), Carson and Alexandra Klug; stepdaughter, Wendy and Bob Pritchard and grandsons, Joseph and Andrew Pritchard; great granddaughters, Layla and Amelia; sister, Ann Listug; brother, Victor and Nancy Schlefsky; several nieces, nephews and dear friends.

In Loving Memory



J Paul Schlefsky 1925 - 2019

The Day God Called You Home

*God looked around His garden
and found an empty space.*

*Then He looked down upon the earth
and saw your tired face.*

*He put his arms around you,
lifted you to rest.*

*God's garden must be beautiful,
for He only takes the best.*

*He knew that you were suffering.
He knew you were in pain.*

*He saw the road was getting rough,
and the hills were hard to climb.*

*So He closed your weary eyes,
and whispered, "Peace be thine".*

*It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you did not go alone.*

*For part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.*

In Memory of

J Paul Schlefsky

August 18, 1925 † November 18, 2019

Funeral Service

Calvary Lutheran Church
Alexandria, Minnesota

Sunday, November 24, 2019
2:00 PM

Officiant

Reverend Hans Dahl

Organist - Kim Byrne

Soloist - Alexandra Klug

Special Music

"Praise To the Lord"

"Jesus Loves Me"

"Beautiful Savior"

"My Faith Looks Up To Thee"

"Oh When the Saints Go Marching In"

Honorary Urn Bearers

Adam Jeurissen

Andrew Jeurissen

Amy Klug

Abby Klug

Nicholas Klug

Carson Klug

Alexandra Klug

Joseph Pritchard

Andrew Pritchard


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