WUTZKE, FREDERICK "FRED" RICHARD

<u>Birth</u>

October 18, 1937 in Vinton, Iowa

Death

March 10, 2019 in West Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa at Bickford Assisted Living

Cause of Death

Parkinson's and Lewy Body Dementia

Cemetery Lot

Row 13, space 6 in the New Addition

Father

Helmuth Wutzke

Mother

Ella Mae Trinder

Marriage

Fred married Bonnie Schluter on June 14, 1959

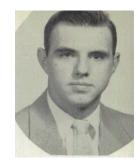
Census

1940 – Vinton, Taylor Twp., Ber	nton Co.,	Iowa; ED6-40; Page 8B; April 1	1, 1940
566 10 th St.			
Family 196			
Wutzke, H. E.	33	laborer-poultry plant	Germany
Ella Mae	27		IA
Fredrick	02		IA
Mardene	06		IA

Obituary

[Des Moines Register, Wednesday, March 13, 2019, Page 6A]

Frederick Wutzke West Des Moines, Iowa



Frederick Wutzle, 81 of West Des Moines (formerly of Denison, IA) passed away Sunday March 10th 2019 at Bickford Assisted Living. Visitation will be held at Caldwell Parrish Funeral Home in Urbandale on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. A celebration of life will be held at Mount Olive Lutheran Church in Des Moines on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 10:00 am with internment at Pleasant Ridge cemetery in Orilla, Iowa

Memorial contributions may be directed to Mount Olive Lutheran School in Des Moines. Online condolences may be made at <u>www.caldwellparrish.com</u>

> Caldwell Parrish Funeral Home & Crematory

The following was taken from Ancestry and was also on the Memorial Folder.

Frederick Wutzke, West Des Moines (formerly Denison, IA)

Frederick (Fred) Richard Wutzke, son of Helmuth and Ella Mae (Trinder) Wutzke, was born on October 18, 1937 in Vinton, Iowa. Fred was active in Boy Scouts, just missing the honor of Eagle Scout as he held jobs throughout High School. After graduating from Vinton High School, he attended Iowa State University until he joined the Army Reserves.

After completing his mandatory active 6-month service for the Reserves, Fred moved to Denison, Iowa. He completed his 12 years in the Reserve and worked for Hyde's Variety store as an assistant manager. While living in Denison, he met the love of his life, Bonnie Schluter. They were united in holy matrimony on June 14, 1959. They would have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary this June. They were blessed with three children.

After Fred left Hyde's, he sold life insurance. He then chose to pursue a career in sales with various carpet companies and products. It didn't matter what he sold – he sold with passion. He spent many years on the road, selling. He loved helping people by selling them what they needed, using his gift of gab to form relationships. His successes meant trips where he could take his beloved wife on spectacular vacations. In 1990, Fred and Bonnie relocated from Denison to West Des Moines to be closer to their children.

Throughout his life, Fred was active in the community and in his church. His family was a priority - he was a loving and supportive spouse and father, never missing a recital, play, program, or sports activity where he could watch his children and grandchildren. His smile and laugh would brighten the room. When he was younger, he enjoyed camping, fishing and motorcycles. He had a passion for nice cars. He loved playing cards and board games and assembling jigsaw puzzles. He never met a brain-teaser puzzle that he couldn't solve.

After a courageous battle with Parkinson's and Lewy Body Dementia, Fred was peacefully called home to Jesus on March 10, 2019 while living at Bickford Assisted Living in West Des Moines, Iowa. The family would like to express sincere thanks to the staffs at Bickford and Care Initiatives Hospice. Fred was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Robert Wutzke, and nephew Robin Eastman.

His memory will be cherished by his loving wife, Bonnie Wutzke; children Kelly (Mike) Sixta, Michael (Bonnie) Wutzke, and Penny (Larry) Benson; grandchildren Matthew and Andrew Sixta; Joshua, Caleb and Grace Wutzke; and Elizabeth and Phillip Benson; sister Marlene (Robert) Eastman; sisters-in-law Karen Wutzke and Marlene Cocks; and brother-in-law Norman (Roseanne) Schluter, along with a host of nieces and nephews.

The following was taken from the Memorial Folder

In Loving Memory Frederick Wutzke October 18, 1937 ~ March 10, 2019

Celebrating the Life of Frederick Wutzke

Visitation 5:30 -&:30 pm, Wednesday, March 13, 2019 Mt. Olive Lutheran Church Des Moines, Iowa

Officiating Pastor Mark Kleckner Pastor James Brammeier

Musicians Michael Wutzke ~ Soloist Kelly Sixta ~ Pianist Kathy Brammeier ~ Organist Cleb Wutzke ~ Trumpet

Pallbearers Jeff Schluter ~ David Schluter ~ Darwin Schluter Ron Eastman ~ Curtis Ehlers ~ Tom Reece

Final Resting Place Pleasant Ridge Cemetery Orilla, Iowa

Memorial Mt. Olive Lutheran School

Verse God saw you getting tired

There was a gathering in the church fellowship hall for lunch following the burial.