



## LELAND NEAL SVEHAUG

April 22, 1938 - December 24, 2020

Leland Neal Svehaug, 82, of Caledonia passed away peacefully at home December 24, 2020. Lee was born on April 22 1938 to Lorentz and Selma (Johnson) Svehaug and was an active lifetime member of the Caledonia community.

After graduating from Caledonia High School in 1956, Lee served in the U.S. Army from 1957 to 1958 He kept his service close to his heart, generously giving to veterans' support organizations throughout the rest of his life.

Lee followed his Army enlistment with stewardship of the family farm outside of Caledonia, bordering West Beaver Creek, for approximately 20 years. He loved to fish that creek and also hunted the deer, pheasant, and other game inhabiting his farmland.

Lee married Rita Schense (nee Bauer) on June 30, 1978, leaving the farm and moving into Caledonia. He became a caring stepfather to Rita's children and was a loving uncle to his nieces and nephew, eventually extending that love and caring to his grandchildren, great grandchildren, grandnieces, and grandnephews.

He was a faithful member of Faith Lutheran of Blackhammer and Immanuel Lutheran Church in Caledonia.

He is survived by his wife, Rita, sisters Shirley (Bob) Frey and Marilyn Forbush, stepchildren Scott (Donna) Schense, Steve (Therese) Schense, Pat (Mary) Schense, and Pam Schense, nieces, Lynette Lively, Penny (Bill) Harrison, Caryn Pettey, Shelly (Andrew) Fuhs, Susan (Todd) Cejka, Stephanie

(Bruce) Wilkinson, and nephew, Steve Forbush, and grandchildren, great grandchildren, grandnephews, and grandnieces.

Due to COVID restrictions, private family services will be held and burial will be at Faith Lutheran Church Cemetery, Black Hammer.

Memorials may be given to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

# Tribute Wall

TS

“ Heartfelt sympathy to Rita and the entire family at this time. All four of our kids mentioned fond memories of fishing with Grandpa Lee on our summer visits. He was so kind and a gentle soul, and will be greatly missed. I join with you in sympathy but also celebrate such a wonderful life! We send prayers at this difficult time. Love, Therese

Therese Silvent-Schense - December 30, 2020 at 11:02 PM

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“ Schneider Human Resources (Donna's co-workers) purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of LELAND NEAL SVEHAUG.



Schneider Human Resources (Donna's co-workers) -  
December 29, 2020 at 12:01 PM

KS

“ So sorry to hear about Leland's passing. We grew up in the same neighborhood. I remember him as a nice kind caring person, always with a smile for everybody. My sympathy to all the family.

Kathleen Storlie - December 28, 2020 at 09:49 AM

LG

My Sympathy to the family of Lee Svehaug..Lee was a active member of the Lions in Caledonia..He was also very active at Immanuel Lutheran Church and with Thrivent.. The Lord's blessings on the memory of Leland Svehaug

Lee Grippen - December 28, 2020 at 03:18 PM

SC

*Uncle Lee you will be greatly missed. My fondest memories involve many shenanigans at the farm and I am so thankful you came to watch Ben and Matt play ball. I am also thankful you shared my sweet tooth! Love to you in heaven! Todd and Susie Cejka*

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**Susie Cejka** - December 30, 2020 at 02:06 PM