



## David Harold Schroen

February 6, 1942 - February 28, 2025

David Harold Schroen, "Dave", 83, of Mooresville, NC and formerly of Brighton, MI, went to be with the Lord Friday, February 28, 2025, at home with his loving wife at his side. He was born February 6, 1942, in Chelsea, MI, son of the late Robert F. and Arlene M. Schroen.

Outgoing by nature, Dave always enjoyed meeting people. He talked with everyone, and relished the time spent with his family. Dave had a love for the game of golf, playing as much as he could in his Senior Golf League. He enjoyed reading and history, especially of the Civil War era. He also had a love of aviation and flying his private plane. Dave received his bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and a master's degree from the University of Southern California, both in Aerospace Engineering. He was an Engineer at Ford Motor Company, retiring after 28 years.

Most important to him was his love for his family and he will forever be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, father, father-in-law, stepfather, grandfather, step-grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend. Dave's kindness will always be remembered.

Survived by wife, Marie Schroen of Mooresville, NC; sons, Jeffrey Palmer Schroen and wife Liberty of Howell, MI, and Mark David Schroen and wife Jill of Bellaire, MI; daughter, Tracy (Schroen) Lareau and husband Steve of

Bellaire, MI; sister Sue Schroen and partner Grace; brother Duane Schroen and wife Hazel; and sister Carol Schroen and partner Eugene. He was blessed with having eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, March 22nd from 10:00-11:00 AM with a service following at 11:00 AM at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home in Mooresville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at [stjude.org](http://stjude.org), or Wounded Warrior Project at [woundedwarriorproject.org](http://woundedwarriorproject.org).

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Schroen family. Condolences may be made to the family at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com).

# Previous Events

## Receiving Friends

MAR 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home  
494 E. Plaza Drive  
 Mooresville, NC 28115

## Memorial Service

MAR 22. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Chapel  
494 E. Plaza Drive  
 Mooresville, NC 28115

# Tribute Wall



“ Love, Jon, David Michele, Megan Elaine and Tom. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Harold Schroen.

Love, Jon, David Michele, Megan Elaine and Tom. - March 19, 2025 at 05:45 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David Harold Schroen.



March 18, 2025 at 01:50 PM



“ The Schroen's been part of the Mooresville Ford Family for over a decade and David will be truly missed. Not only was he a good customer but a great friend as well. Wilbur

Wilbur - March 07, 2025 at 05:27 PM

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“ I met Dave over 50 years ago when he returned home to Michigan and took a job with Ford in Light Truck Engineering. He was one of many engineers who left working on rockets and jet planes in sunny California to work on what was at the time pretty simple pickup trucks, vans and ORVs (off road vehicles) at Ford. Dave, of course, had the “secret handshake” of a University of Michigan engineer and I’m sure that impressed his new boss, Roger Simpson. Back then, there were no cubicles – just a giant room full of desks and shared telephones under a cloud of cigar and cigarette smoke. Dave was part of a tight knit team who wrestled pickup sales leadership from Chevrolet and started the 47-year win streak for the F150.

Since we both worked in the same group and, since he lived nearby and it was the height of the 1972 gas crisis, we carpooled together. Dave would proudly talk about the exploits and accomplishments of his 2 sons and daughter as we made our 20-mile trip to Dearborn each day. This daily commute was abruptly interrupted when Dave was laid off in Nov, 1974. He was called back a few months later and we returned to our rides together.

Dave was a private pilot and had a share in a small plane based at the Oakland County airport. We both daydreamed of visiting the Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio and he would carefully plan a day trip down to Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio only to have to repeatedly cancel due to weather or plane troubles. We were able to take a few short local flights where I took some great photos of our home from the air.

Dave and I took different jobs and assignments at Ford and our day-to-day contact came to an end. Later, our friendship was renewed when his daughter Tracy moved into our neighborhood in Farmington Hills and I met his wife Marie.

Dave was an excellent engineer, a true friend, caring father, loving husband, and a wonderful human being. Rest in Peace friend.

Ken Snodgrass - March 07, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David Harold Schroen.

March 05, 2025 at 01:39 PM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of David Harold Schroen.



March 05, 2025 at 01:39 PM



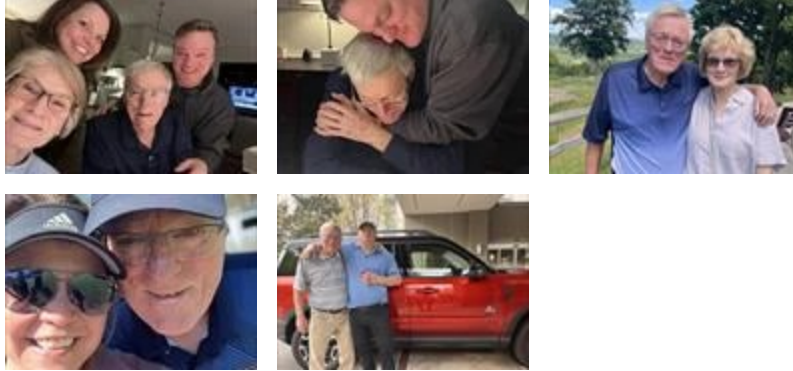
“ I've only been part of this family for 5 1/2 years, but Dave accepted me 100 from day one. He told me I was welcome and wanted to know how soon we were getting engaged the first time I met him. He loved me just like his own, and tried his best to teach me to golf every chance he got. I'll never go golfing and not hear his voice telling me how to change this (or that) in an attempt to be a better golfer. Miss you so much, Dave! Love you more!!



Liberty Schroen - March 05, 2025 at 01:11 PM

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“ *Best dad ever!! My life is a tribute to all of my parents, family and friends. How lucky am I?!* ”



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**Tracy Lareau** - March 05, 2025 at 10:44 AM

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“ *When he was of age he wanted to go hunting and after he bagged his first trophy he felt so bad about killing a living thing that he never hunted again.* ”

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**Duane Schroen** - March 05, 2025 at 10:25 AM