



Samuel "Sam" Schilling

April 6, 1939 - February 20, 2022

Samuel "Sam" Schilling, age 82, passed away early Sunday morning at Lakeview Hospital. He was an active member of Mt. Hermon Baptist Church, and he loved spending time there with his church family.

As a young man, Sam served his country in the United States Air Force for more than a decade. After his service, he returned home and became a self-made businessman, who was known to help others in times of need. In his younger years, he enjoyed trot-line fishing with his brothers in nearby rivers, and their families loved the fish fries the brothers hosted when they returned home. He always loved sports—all of them. He enjoyed them at every level, from professional to little league, and he even coached some teams along the way. He was an avid supporter of his children and grandchildren's athletic endeavors and was a familiar presence at their events. He traveled countless miles to see them, yelled as loudly as anyone in the crowd, and spent hours after games discussing the plays and strategies with the other fans.

Sam was greatly admired by his family and friends for his emphasis on hard work and education, and he firmly believed in financial responsibility. He adored his family and especially enjoyed visiting with them and friends at his backyard swimming pool, where everyone had an open invitation. He also loved to see his extended family at the annual Albert Schilling Family Reunion, where he enjoyed the fantastic country cooking.

He is survived by:

4 children and spouses: Brenda Wilson, Randall Schilling, Sandi Varnado (Mark Davis), and Scott Schilling (Kate Tetreault).

Grandchildren: Troy Wilson II, Douglas Schilling, Jr., Ashley Schilling Guy, Douglas Schilling, Blake Schilling, Kelsey Schilling, Blaine Schilling, Dylan Varnado, Brody Schilling, Allie Schilling, Kate Schilling, Haley Tetreault, and Grayson Tetreault.

Brothers and sisters: Eloise Blazo, Elaine VanHorn, Paul Schilling, and Ginger Ellis.

Special friend: Chyrel Learned

Also numerous extended relatives and many dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his son (Douglas Schilling, Sr.), parents (Albert and Alma Schilling), brothers (Byron Schilling, Ronald Schilling, and Jake Schilling), grandchild (Spencer Wilson), great-grandchild (Hannah Wilson), and numerous other relatives.

Visitation will be at Mt. Hermon Baptist Church (36126 Highway 38, Mt. Hermon) on Thursday, February 24th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A funeral service will be held in the church at 2:00 p.m. with Brother Ray Weurzer, Brother Leroy McElveen, Brother Myron Schilling, and Brother Randall Garcia officiating. Burial will follow in Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

ST

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I always enjoyed talking with Sam at the basketball games throughout the years. Love to all of you. I will be working and unable to attend his funeral. May God comfort each of you. Sandy Toney

Sandy Toney - February 23, 2022 at 09:14 PM

JF

“ Jason & Doyle Bledsoe Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Samuel "Sam" Schilling.



Jason & Doyle Bledsoe Family - February 22, 2022 at 06:29 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Samuel "Sam" Schilling.



February 22, 2022 at 12:51 PM

CS

“ Thoughts and prayers for the family during your time of loss.

Calvin Simmons - February 22, 2022 at 12:02 PM

CL

“ *My sincere condolences for your loss. I hope your happy memories of Sam will sustain you during this difficult time. Sincerely, Chunlin Leonhard*

Chunlin Leonhard - February 22, 2022 at 11:38 AM

SB

“ *Susan Barber lit a candle in memory of Samuel "Sam" Schilling*



Susan Barber - February 22, 2022 at 09:12 AM

MG

“ *I'll never forget Sam helping me coach Junior High basketball at Bowling Green with our sons Scott and Kory on the team. Yes he would get excited and loud and sometimes try to correct the officials to which he'd get a technical. But that was ok because he was working hard for the kids he cared about and he did all of this for free. Gonna miss you Sam.*

Mike Gill - February 22, 2022 at 08:16 AM

Juanita Luper

“ *Juanita Luper lit a candle in memory of Samuel "Sam" Schilling*



Juanita Luper - February 21, 2022 at 11:25 PM

RM

“ Sam was a great friend and a faithful worker at Mt. Hermon Baptist Church. He had a strong faith in God and loved to pray for others. He will be greatly missed by us all.
May God comfort his family as only He can do. Sincerely, Ronnie & Terry Moak & family

Ronnie & Terry Moak - February 21, 2022 at 07:11 PM

MT

“ Mr. Sam was always respectful and would help many people that he knew didn't have very much income. He always had a kind word of encouragement even when he was going through trials of his own.. We all loved Mr. Sam and his family. The Schilling family has always touched many families in their area....as well as the brothers and sisters....We love ya,Il always...Marylin, Shelly and Wayne Taylor...you are in our prayers.

Marylin Lilly Taylor - February 21, 2022 at 06:14 PM