

George Michael "Mike" Schumacher, 71, of Cresbard, SD formerly Independence, MO, passed away Saturday, October 31, 2020 at Avera St. Luke's Hospital, Aberdeen after a long battle with HHT (Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia).

Mike was born on November 4, 1948 in Independence, MO to George W. "Bud" and Doris (Johnston) Schumacher. Mike lived in Kansas City and Independence as a child and then graduated from Fort Osage High School. Mike married his beloved wife, Janice Marie (Maxwell) Schumacher, on May 27, 1978. They enjoyed 42 wonderful years of marriage together. He lived in Independence, MO most of his life until he relocated with his wife, Jan, to Cresbard, SD in 2015.

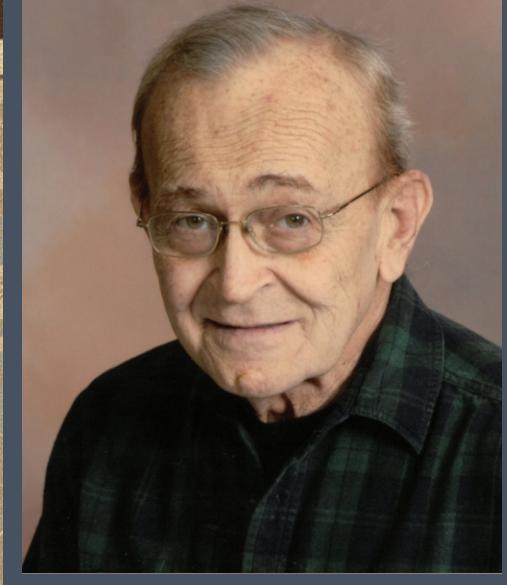
Mike worked for American Fire and Security as a young adult, which was owned by his father. After marrying his wife Jan, he was a carpet layer and then pursued his love of trim carpentry. He worked in trim carpentry for a few different companies for several years until he started his own business, "Papa Schu's Custom Trim". He retired in 2008 due to medical issues.

Mike was a member of East Side Baptist Church in Independence for many years before moving to Cresbard and becoming a member of Cresbard United Methodist Church. He was a member of the Cresbard Town Board for a year and a half prior to his death. His hobbies included woodworking, drawing, rug-hooking, and gardening. He also enjoyed helping members of the Cresbard community.

His wonderful life will be forever cherished by his wife, Janice Schumacher of Cresbard, SD; his children: Joy (Kelsey) Huss of Cresbard, Will (Shawn) Toliver, of Independence, MO, Tony Schumacher of Holden, MO, and Lee Schumacher of Independence, MO; sister, Sandy Dempsey (John) of Independence, MO and brother, Robert "Bob" Schumacher (Karen) of Independence, MO, and his numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, George W. "Bud" Schumacher; mother, Doris (Johnston) Schumacher; and brothers: Jim and Steve Schumacher.

The family wants to send a special thanks to all the staff of Avera St. Luke's Hospital of Aberdeen, SD for all the wonderful care he received over the last two months.



*Celebrating*  
THE LIFE OF

**George Michael "Mike" Schumacher**

**November 4, 1948 - October 31, 2020**

In Loving Memory Of  
**George Michael "Mike" Schumacher**

November 4, 1948  
Independence, Missouri

October 31, 2020  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard Him call  
I turned my back and left it all I could not stay another day  
To laugh, to love, to work or play  
Tasks left undone must stay that way  
I found that peace at the close of the day  
If my parting has left a void  
Then fill it with remembered *Joy*  
A friendship shared,  
a laugh, a kiss Ah, yes, these things I too will miss  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow  
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow  
My life has been full, I've savored much  
Good friends, good times,  
*a loved one's touch*  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief  
Lift up your heart and share with me  
God wanted me now, He set me **FREE!**

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE:**  
10:00 a.m., Friday, November 6, 2020  
United Methodist Church  
Cresbard, South Dakota

**OFFICIATING:**  
Thomas Carlson

**READER:**  
Eryka Quinn

**CASKET BEARERS:**  
Will Toliver, Payton Toliver,  
Ryan Toliver, Jim Hanley,  
Dennis Holm, and Max Quinn

**HONORARY CASKET BEARERS:**  
Tony Schumacher and Lee Schumacher

**ORGANIST:**  
Elaine Snow

**VOCALISTS:**  
Abbi Quinn ~ "Go Rest High on That Mountain"  
Alyssa Toliver ~ "Jealous of the Angels"

**HYMNS:**  
"Rock of Ages"   "Amazing Grace"

**INTERMENT:**  
Cresbard Cemetery  
Cresbard, South Dakota