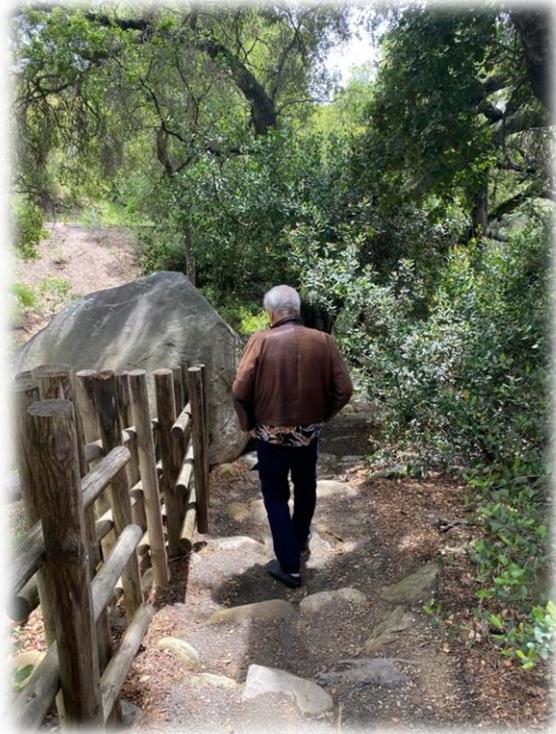


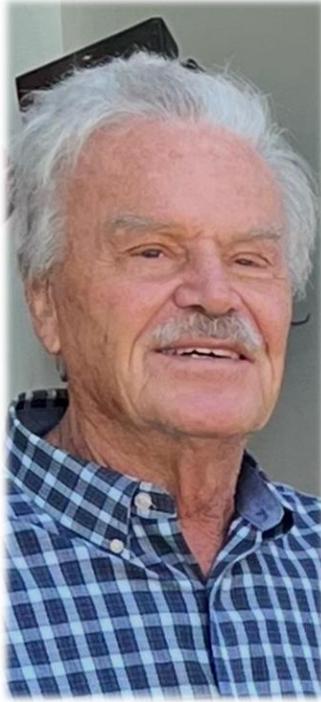
In Loving Memory



John Newton Schelske

1945 ~ 2025

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DATE OF BIRTH

April 17, 1945 ~ Aberdeen, Idaho

PARENTS

Alexander & Anna Marie Schelske

DATE OF DEATH

December 27, 2025 ~ Lompoc, California



How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When through the woods, and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur
And see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.

[Refrain]

And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing;
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

[Refrain]

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,
And then proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

[Refrain]

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch; like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

The Lord hath promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

~ **MILITARY HONORS** ~

2:00 p.m. Friday, January 9, 2026

Aberdeen Cemetery ~ Aberdeen, Idaho

ARMS PRESENTATION, RIFLE VOLLEY, & TAPS
The American Legion Post 59 ~ Aberdeen, Idaho

FLAG PRESENTATION
Idaho Honor Guard



~ **MEMORIAL SERVICE** ~

WELCOME & INVOCATION
Rick Giesbrecht

HYMN
“How Great Thou Art”

SCRIPTURE
Psalms 91:1-4 & Psalms 23

COMMITTAL PRAYER

HYMN
“Amazing Grace”

CLOSING
*The Lord bless thee, and keep thee:
The Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be
gracious unto thee: ~ Numbers 6:24-25*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
“When We All Get to Heaven”

John Newton Schelske passed away peacefully at his home in Lompoc, California, on December 27, 2025. He is now in the loving arms of his Lord and Savior.

John was born in Aberdeen, Idaho on April 17, 1945, to Alexander and Anna Marie Schelske. He was the second to youngest and spent his early years on the farm with his parents, brothers, and sisters. John attended schools in Aberdeen until his junior year of high school. His interest in becoming a pastor led him to finish high school at Concordia in Portland, Oregon.

After high school, John moved to California and attended college in Santa Barbara. He was drafted in 1967 and served honorably in the Vietnam War. Upon returning home, he resumed his studies in Santa Barbara, showing resilience and dedication to his education.

John eventually bought a home in Port Orford, Oregon, where he cherished spending time with family and friends. He was known for his generosity and was always ready to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. His love for reading, especially the Bible, and his passion for learning new languages reflected his lifelong commitment to personal growth and faith.

Seeking a warmer climate, John decided to make Lompoc, California his home for the past 20 years. He delighted in welcoming family and friends, often giving tours of Santa Barbara and sharing his favorite local spots. John enjoyed his time on the farm, fishing in Oregon, taking long drives along the California coast, and watching sunsets at the Air Force Base near his home in Lompoc.

John was known for his great sense of humor and infectious laughter, quickly making friends and lifting spirits wherever he went.

John is survived by his brother, Bob (Maureen) Schelske of American Falls, Idaho, and his sister, Sandra Neff of Dayton, Ohio, as well as many beloved nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Alexander and Marie Schelske, his sister, Jeanette Funk, and his brother, Richard Schelske.

John's legacy of kindness, faith, and joy will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved him. He will be deeply missed.

A graveside service will be held on Friday, January 9th, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. at the Aberdeen, Idaho Cemetery. Following the graveside, family and friends are welcome to gather at the Mandarin House in Pocatello, Idaho to share memories of John and celebrate his life. Arrangements are by Davis-Rose Mortuary, American Falls, Idaho.

Appreciation

On behalf of the family, we express their gratitude for your many kindnesses evidenced in thought, deed, and attendance at the service.

Davis-Rose Mortuary & Monuments, American Falls, Idaho

