

David “Dave” Helmuth Schmidt was born on January 21, 1972, in New Rockford, North Dakota, the son of Helmuth and Joyce (Gabbert) Schmidt. He grew up and received his education in Bloomington, Minnesota. In 1990, David moved to Willmar and began working for the Doug Finstrom family and their farming operation, a career that lasted over 35 years. He was also employed as an independent contractor for Synergy RV Transport, delivering RVs across the United States and Canada. He also had interests in gold mines in Idaho. David was gifted with many engineering and mechanical talents. He could repair most any farm or automotive equipment. David was also a gentle spirited person who loved animals and would help anyone in need.

David passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, December 3, at his residence at the age of 53.

He is survived by his father, Helmuth Schmidt of Cambridge; four siblings, Jon (and Holly) Schmidt – Davis of Atlanta, GA., Maria Schmidt of Burnsville; Dorothea “Dot” (and Dennis) Gaspord of Cambridge and Sara (and Steve) Henry of Cambridge; three nieces; two nephews; besides other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother and his grandparents.

## *Celebrating the Life of*



*David H. Schmidt*

*1972 — 2025*

## God's Promises

*God gives grace for each trial,  
And courage for each sorrow,  
And faith to face in confidence  
A blessed, bright tomorrow.*

*My sheep listen to my voice;  
I know them, and they follow me.*

*I give them eternal life,  
and they shall never perish;  
no one will snatch them out of my hand.*

*-John 10:27-28*

*David's confirmation verse*

*Peterson Brothers Funeral Home*

*"Celebrating A Life Remembered"*

In Loving Memory Of

# David H. Schmidt

January 21, 1972

New Rockford, North Dakota

December 3, 2025

Kerkhoven, Minnesota

## Celebration of Life Service

Thursday, January 8, 2026 - 12 noon

Kerkhoven Evangelical Free Church

Kerkhoven, Minnesota

Prelude

Kristi Bracelin

Welcome & Prayer

Pastor Dave Hannig

Hymn

*"On Eagle's Wings"*

on screen

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 40:28-31, Psalms 4:8, 73:26 & 116:7 and John 10:27-28

Hymn

*"How Great Thou Art"*

No. 147

Family Reflections

Message

Pastor Dave Hannig

Hymn

*"Amazing Grace"*

No. 343

Benediction

Postlude

*"Let It Be"*

The Beatles (cd)

## Spring Interment

Hillside Cemetery

Kerkhoven, Minnesota