



## William Lee Schumacher

December 4, 1933 - March 8, 2025

William "Lee" Schumacher, 91, of Charlotte, a beloved coach, teacher, husband, father and grandfather, died peacefully on Saturday, March 8, 2025 in Charlotte. Lee was born December 4, 1933 in Harbor Beach, MI, the son of John and Josephine (Kramer) Schumacher. Growing up, Lee loved to play sports, a passion that would shape his entire life. He earned his teaching degree from Central Michigan University before starting his career as a physical education teacher and coach. His first post was as football coach in Hillman, MI, where he earned a place in the local athletic hall of fame. He went on to St. Clair Shores, and eventually Olivet, MI, where he and his beloved wife, Edna, raised their family. Lee's family remembers him always listening to sports on the AM station in the car and was always talking about the game! He taught driver's education for over 40 years, and his beloved stature as "coach" led him to touch the lives of countless students, many of whom kept in touch with him to the very end.

In retirement, Lee loved time spent up at Long Lake in Hale, MI, where he loved to hunt and play cards with his friends and family. Lee's social nature also led him to remain active in his later years. He sold Northrup King Seeds all over the area and delivered Meals on Wheels, both were perfect for his gregarious nature. Lee loved food. He was never late for dinner, and he even was known to engage his family in friendly "eating competitions." Lee leaves a legacy of love and care for all he knew.

Lee is survived by his son, John Schumacher; daughters, Tama (Fred Wieting IV) Boucher, and Shyla Tailor; grandchildren, Jessica (Greg) Adamczyk, Julie (Jason) Baker, Rhiana Tailor and India Tailor; great-grandchildren, Cole, Emma, Jameson, and Carson. He was predeceased by his loving wife of 62 years, Edna Schumacher; his parents; and five siblings.

Friends are encouraged to support Lee's family by attending services or sharing memories on his Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com) <<http://www.prayfuneral.com>>. Visitation will be from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. with a Rosary Service at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 13, 2025 at Pray Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 14, 2025 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlotte with Rev. Fr. Dwight Ezop officiating. Interment will take place in Maple Hill Cemetery, Charlotte. The funeral will be webcast so you may watch it from any computer, smartphone, or mobile device that has internet access. Go to [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com) <<http://www.prayfuneral.com>>, click on Lee's tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone). If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the Olivet High School Athletic Department. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 13. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Rosary

MAR 13. 8:00 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Funeral

MAR 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church  
807 St. Mary Boulevard  
Charlotte, MI 48813

# Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of William Lee Schumacher



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - March 14, 2025 at 10:16 AM



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of William Lee Schumacher



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - March 12, 2025 at 09:04 PM

MP

*What a wonderful tribute to a gentle giant of a man. I didn't know Lee but he knew my sister Patricia. I remember talking with him once when they were enjoying their time together. God Bless each of you.*

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**Mary Pfigler** - March 13, 2025 at 10:10 PM

SF

“ *Mr. Schumacher was a teacher at Olivet when I went there. I graduated in 1977 and he was such a kind man. I know he will be missed by all of his students and family and friends. God bless to you all!*

Sally Fritz - March 18, 2025 at 12:36 PM

PM

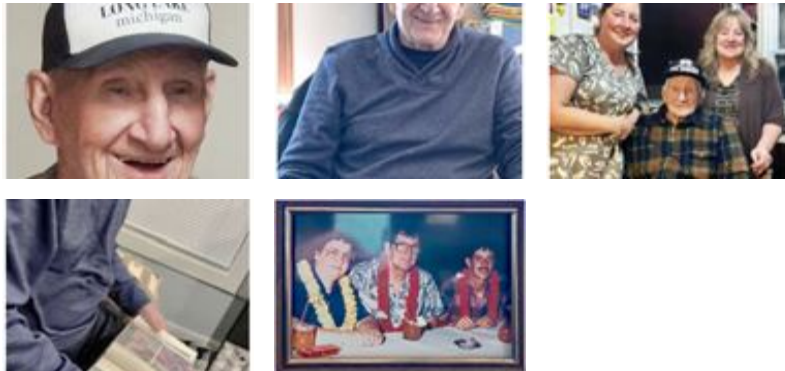
“ *My dearest friend thank you for sharing the last few years making me laugh and all the great advice you gave me. I thought of you as my friend and a grandfather I never had. I was so blessed when you came into my life. I will miss you I will miss the I love you Suga lol and our scratch offs. Rest now I will see you again love Trisha*



Patricia Cheryl Maxey - March 13, 2025 at 03:04 PM



“ 107 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 12, 2025 at 09:02 PM

RB

“ Roxanne B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Lee Schumacher.

Roxanne B. - March 12, 2025 at 08:44 PM

CB

“ Cindy B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Lee Schumacher.

Cindy B. - March 12, 2025 at 01:03 PM

ST

“ For all the trees you planted that I mowed over at Mom’s instruction because they didn’t meet her definition of feng shui.



Shyla Tailor - March 12, 2025 at 10:59 AM

JT

“ John Schumacher and Shyla Tailor purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of William Lee Schumacher.



John Schumacher and Shyla Tailor - March 11, 2025 at 01:40 PM

JT

“ John Schumacher and Shyla Tailor planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Lee Schumacher.

John Schumacher and Shyla Tailor - March 11, 2025 at 01:40 PM

CW

“ Chad & Carol Walker lit a candle in memory of William Lee Schumacher



Chad & Carol Walker - March 11, 2025 at 01:28 PM

JB

*I taught, played sports, and enjoyed his company for over fifty years, Lee has had a good life!!*

Jerry Brown - March 11, 2025 at 08:32 PM

EK

*Lee beautiful man so caring for family and friends*

Elayne Kraska - March 14, 2025 at 11:30 AM

CH

*I remember Mr Schumacher as my gym teacher in high school in 1970-74! He was a good person and a fair person god has a place for him! Take care coach and I'll see you soon thanks for everything!*

charlie - March 14, 2025 at 08:01 PM