



Clarence (Gene) Schuett

May 28, 1942 - June 8, 2025

Gene Schuett, 83, of Port Hope, passed away Sunday, June 8, 2025 at McLaren Bay Region in Bay City.

He was born on May 28, 1942 in Detroit to the late Clarence and Elizabeth (Cameron) Schuett.

Gene and Judy Harrison were united in marriage on November 5, 1962 in Union Lake,

Michigan. Gene was a member of Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church, The Knights of

Columbus, Friends of the Port Hope Depot and the Port Hope Area Historical Society. He

served on the Port Hope Zoning Committee and the Village Council. He was a member of AA

for the last 36 years in good standing and he established The Port Hope Chill Zone. Gene's

career started in the insurance business, but later he found his true calling in selling sporting goods.

A life long lover of sports, Gene's passion for the game - whether on the field, on the court or in

the stands - was a defining part of his life and a legacy that will live on in the countless lives he

touched. From his earliest days, Gene was a natural athlete excelling in multiple sports, earning recognition, not just for his talent, but for his teamwork, determination and sportsmanship.

Throughout adulthood he remained deeply involved in his local sports community. He officiated many sports and coached little league, doing so with encouragement and heart. He believed in the power of sports to teach, connect and inspire. Gene will be remembered for his sense of humor, his generous heart, the joy he brought to others, his dedication to his community and the love he gave so freely to his family and friends.

Gene is survived by his wife Judy Schuett; children: Todd (Pat) Schuett, Jody (Wilson) Rugel, Janel Marvel and Swiss daughter Isabelle Antille; grandchildren: Michelle, Anthony, Cameron, Mariah, Mitchell, Declan, Clare; great grandchildren: Olivia, Mariana, Eleanor, Julia, Liam, Cameron, Evonna; his siblings: John (Judie) Schuett, Bonney Hillen, brother-in-law Bob Harrison, sister-in-law Chris McMahon, several nieces and nephews and close friends Tony and Brian Gephart.

Cremation has taken place. A Funeral Mass will take place on Saturday, July 19, 2025 at 11am at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church of the Holy Name of Mary Parish, with Fr Kevin Wojciechowski officiating. Friends may gather, beginning at 10am until time of services at 11am.

Arrangements are being handled by the Ramsey Funeral Home of Harbor

Beach.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Friends of the Port Hope Depot
or the Port Hope

Area Historical Society.

Memories can be shared at www.RamseyFH.com

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JUL 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church
413 S 1st St
Harbor Beach, MI 48441
(989) 479-3393

Tribute Wall

MF

“ Gene was always a person that would brighten your day when he walked into your office. If we had a kid that couldn't afford cleats or basketball shoes he was the guy that always came through with a new pair. The world is a better place because of Gene. Anyone that knew him is a better person because of him. RIP my friend. I miss your smile and energy.

Morley Fraser - July 19, 2025 at 07:23 PM



Thank you for sharing this story!

Janel Marvel - July 21, 2025 at 02:35 PM

JS

Thank you Morley for sharing this memory of Gene, he was one of a kind and we know how blessed we were to have him in our life.

judy schuett - July 21, 2025 at 02:43 PM

JS

“ Mr Schuett~ what can I say except God broke the mold with you, what an honor;
You, Dad & Dick are the epitome of life-long best friends & although you've been called home I know Dad was there, standing tall with open arms & the laughter begins. My Mom & Dad loved you & your family ~ our prayers are with Mrs Schuett, your children, grandchildren. Thank you for the love & laughter, you will be truly missed- Jennifer Sheffler & family



Jennifer Sheffler - July 11, 2025 at 04:53 PM

JS

Thank you Jennifer for the kind words, we are all blessed to have such great memories of our times together.

Judy Schuett - July 12, 2025 at 07:06 PM

NE

“ When Gene first came to Port Hope. I was shooting around in the gym. He came to me and said I was not shooting right. So for 1 week he tied my left hand behind my back and made shoot and make 200 shots a day. He was with me everyday. So thank you Gene. He also mentor me official basketball. Thanks Neal Emerick

Neal Emerick - July 03, 2025 at 04:39 PM

JS

Thanks for sharing that with us Neal.

Judy Schuett - July 08, 2025 at 02:32 PM

LE

“ Janel and family, I am sorry for the loss of your Dad. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Lisa Wiley Ecker - July 03, 2025 at 02:33 PM



Thank you Lisa

Janel Marvel - July 12, 2025 at 06:48 AM

DW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Dick Whitman - June 22, 2025 at 04:31 PM

DW

John Sheffler, Dick whitman, ed Kaiser, Jim Lewis, Clarence Eugene Schuett

Dick Whitman - June 22, 2025 at 08:35 PM

RB

“ Gene, you were a tornado of energy. You were the Milford Class of 1960's best athlete. More than that, it seemed you were the chief motivator and captain of our football, basketball and track teams. The track part I remember best. As a freshman I was five foot and a bit under 100 pounds. A knee injury ended my sophomore JV football season, no big deal since I was the team's most accomplished bench sitter. It set me back through my junior and senior seasons on our cross country and track teams where I finally could finally prove my worth. I gained some height and weight, and the 1960 track team was where I got to know Gene's and my own value. Gene was a rah rah guy, encouraging everyone he saw, even the least talented. I'd be in the third lap of a four-lap mile race and I'd hear, "Come on Ron Babe! You can take this guy!" Before the race ended, I'd move into 3rd place. Now think about this: At our 2024 class reunion Gene told me and others how in the 1960 Wayne-Oakland County League Championship Track Meet, Milford was once again the League Champion, and praised me and my effort in the mile, coming from behind to get points for Milford. I gained a lot of confidence from that senior year, and later did things beyond my dreams. I was a walk-on in cross country at MSU, way over my head at the time, but improved greatly, ending up a scoring member on three Championship Cross Country Teams. When Gene and I talked about going from high school to college competition, we agreed that it was like "drinking from a firehose." Like Gene I overcame decades of drinking, but overcame it with all the will I could muster. I kept running for decades and eventually my wife Sally and I ran many marathons and even further. Best of all: In recent years I've met Keith Lavoy for Tuesday lunches. Keith was a member of the Milford Class of 1963, a bit younger than Gene and I. On hearing of Gene's recent death, Keith told me how all those years ago Gene encouraged him as an MHS high hurdler, though Keith rarely scored. All his life Gene Schuett tried really hard. He liked me because I tried really hard. For what's left of my life, I will think of Gene often.

Ron Berby - June 19, 2025 at 11:20 AM



Love this story! Thanks for sharing Ron

Janel Marvel - July 12, 2025 at 06:53 AM



Thank you Ron for sharing your story.

Judy Schuett - July 12, 2025 at 07:09 PM



“ We know how much Gene is going to be missed by Judy, his children, great grandchildren and his family and friends. He was a friend unlike any other- always cheerful, always interested in your family, and such an integral part of Port Hope. We’ve known Gene for decades, and are so grateful to have had him in our lives. Sending hugs and love to you all.

Judy B. Whitman - June 19, 2025 at 08:40 AM



Thank you Judy, we are so grateful for the great memories we’ve shared throughout the years together.

Judy Schuett - July 12, 2025 at 07:10 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Pirate Basketball



R Wruble - June 13, 2025 at 08:45 PM



Love this pic! Dad in his happy place...at a game. Thanks for posting!

janel marvel - June 14, 2025 at 11:35 AM

LK

“ Gene and Judy were the best backyard friends anyone could have. So many memories. Thanks for the memories. Happy Judy is still with us. Love The Backyard Kruegers.



Linda and Darwin Krueger - June 13, 2025 at 06:26 PM

JS

Thank you Linda! ❤️

Judy Schuett - July 12, 2025 at 07:11 PM

SH

“ What can I say about this sweet guy that I've known since 7th grade. So many memories, his smile , his jokes, all the many sports he played. He was always nice to me when sometimes others weren't. I know all our classmates. Will miss him terribly. My prayers go out to Judy and all the family.



Sue Bragg Horn - June 13, 2025 at 06:08 PM



God hold him close

Sue Horn - June 13, 2025 at 06:10 PM

BM

SO sorry to hear the sad news of Gene's passing. I feel blessed to have called Gene "My Best Bud", way back in the days of Hoody Doody & the Lone Ranger. He sure kept a smile on my face and he had a heart of gold !! He will surely be missed by MANY ! Rest in peace, my friend. My prayers for Judy and family.

Bill Mitchell - June 14, 2025 at 04:52 PM

DW

Gene was a best buddy for 70 years! Even when we didn't see each other as often in the last decade or so it always seemed like we were together yesterday when we did get together. He was always gregarious, interested in others, always with a ready smile and a laugh. my condolences to Judy and the family, he will be missed.

Dick Whitman - June 22, 2025 at 04:28 PM

JS

Thank you Dick!

Judy Schuett - July 12, 2025 at 07:12 PM