



## William John Scheer

August 27, 1941 - March 15, 2020

Age 78, of Braidwood, IL passed away Sunday, March 15, 2020 at the Joliet Area Community Hospice Home in Joliet, IL. Born August 27, 1941 in Green Bay, WI to the late John William and Buelah Victoria (nee Guindon) Scheer. William graduated from Premontre Catholic High School with the class of 1960 in Green Bay. He was ordained from Saint Francis Cathedral in 1969 with the Diocese of Green Bay, serving his priesthood from 1969-1972 at Saint Luke's Parish in Two Rivers, WI. Bill went on to receive his master's degree in social work from George Williams College and served DCFS mothers in Kenosha, WI and then transitioned into industrial sales until the age of 59. He then furthered his education and received his certificate to be a school social worker and worked at many schools within the local areas. He was a very active member of the Immaculate Conception Parish in Braidwood, where he belonged to the Legion of Mary beginning in 2000, served as a member of the Diocesan Pastoral Council, taught religious education for years, was a member of the RCIA team for the Immaculate Conception Church for eleven years, with his beloved wife, Anita. He also belonged to the Knights of Columbus and served one term on the Braidwood Fire District. He married Anita Witcek on April 28, 1984 in Plainfield, IL and after he was laicized from the priesthood they had their marriage blessed in the Catholic Church on April 28, 1987 at Immaculate Conception Parish. He was a great husband, father, and grandfather that will be greatly missed by his family and many friends. Surviving are his wife of thirty-five years, Anita (nee Nahas)

Scheer of Braidwood; four children, Lisa (Patrick, Jr.) Stockdale of Plainfield, IL, Andrew (Candace) Scheer of Coal City, IL, Joseph (Brandy) Scheer of Diamond, IL, and Emily (Heath) Nielsen of Oak Park, IL; eleven grandchildren, Isabella, Emma, Kylee, Cody, Drew, Patrick III, Emmett, Simon, Eva, Lola, and Penelope; five siblings, Carol (Michael) Fabry, Sandra (Kenneth) Hendrickson, Mary (Larry) Holterman, Debbie (Lupe) Orosco, and John (Brenda) Scheer, all of the Green Bay area; and numerous nieces, nephews, and their families. Preceding him in death were his parents; and three sisters, Ruth Scheer in infancy, Barbara VanCamp, and Jeannie Cornelius. Due to the unexpected circumstances of the Covid-19 virus we are asking for any public to use their best judgement in attending the services for William and if they are unable to attend please keep the family in your prayers. The visitation will be at the family's residence: 198 N. School Street, Braidwood from 4-8 p.m., Friday, March 20th, 2020. Family and friends will meet at the Assumption Catholic Church in Coal City, Saturday, March 21 for the Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Braidwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in his name may be directed to the Immaculate Conception Church. For more information and to visit his online guestbook, please log on to [www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com) or find us on Facebook at R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **20**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Residence

198 N. School st.

Braidwood, IL 60408

# Tribute Wall

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“ Anita, I am not sure if you and Bill ever came to our class reunions where we might have met. My prayers are with you and your family. Bill and I were classmates at St. Francis Minor and Major Seminary.  
Thomas Erlandson

Thomas Erlandson - May 11, 2020 at 06:35 PM



“ Chinese Dogwood Tree was purchased for the family of William John Scheer.



March 21, 2020 at 03:45 PM

DB

“ I will always remember how gentle and kind Bill was, always a smile and asking how everyone was doing, he will be greatly missed but quoting a song Jesus will be telling him “well done, well done my good and faithful one welcome to the place you belong.”

Debbie Barks - March 21, 2020 at 02:56 PM

JS

“ May God take care of you all. Always love & prayer through the Legion of Mary. 🙏❤️

Joan Salvato - March 20, 2020 at 05:29 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William John Scheer.*



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March 20, 2020 at 01:22 PM



“ *To Bill's family, sending sympathy and hugs in your great loss. I remember Bill as Sandy's big brother, many, many years ago. Going to their house as a young child was always so interesting with all the goings on of a large family as I was an only child so it was always fun for me. I can only imagine how loving Bill's family was but now he will be watching all of you from above. God bless.*

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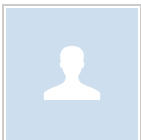
**pat j(erry) jansen** - March 20, 2020 at 12:34 AM



“ *Bill was an amazing soul who always put others needs before his own. He was more like family to the Wisniewski's than a friend. I wish we could be there to celebrate his life*

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**Laura Wisniewski** - March 19, 2020 at 10:44 PM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of William John Scheer.*

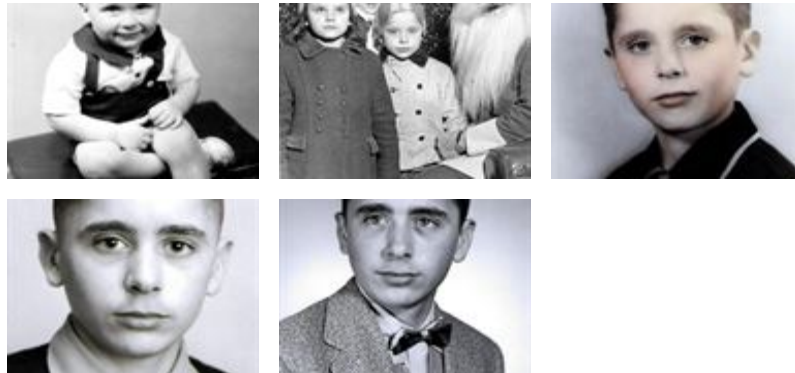


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March 19, 2020 at 05:50 PM



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R W Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. - March 19, 2020 at 10:14 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William John Scheer.

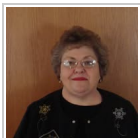


March 18, 2020 at 09:29 PM



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R W Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. - March 18, 2020 at 05:31 PM



“ Bill was a loving, giving, wonderful person. Anita, Lisa, Andy, and Joey were the luckiest people ever when he came into their lives, and he will be missed by his whole family, forever. Rest in Peace, Bill.

-Lynne Letterly

Lynne Fitzpatrick Letterly - March 18, 2020 at 01:48 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of William John Scheer.*



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March 18, 2020 at 01:42 PM



“ *We are very sorry for your loss. Please accept our deepest sympathy at this very difficult time.*

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**Mark & Tammy Kruchten** - March 17, 2020 at 07:06 PM



“ *Bill was a pillar of strength in our community as well as Immaculate Conception Church. He will be greatly missed. He loved his family and Our Lord. Throughout his entire life, he was a paragon of kindness, understanding, gentleness and love which is a beautiful legacy for his children & grandchildren. He dedicated his life helping others and serving God - a paramount example for all of us. We are blessed to have had him in our lives and he will be missed. He was a gift! To Anita, Lisa, Andy, Joe, Emily and your children. . . . "What we once enjoyed & loved we can never lose, for all that we love deeply becomes a part of us." He is always part of who you are, decisions you make, actions realized.*

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**Dave & Diane Wisniewski** - March 17, 2020 at 05:45 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of William John Scheer.*



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March 17, 2020 at 02:30 PM



“ *Although our family has not been here at Immaculate Conception for very long we have been blessed to be touched by the Sheer family, our thoughts and prayers are with you and yours during this difficult time. Peace of Christ be with you all. Adeline Poulos and family.*



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**Adeline Poulos** - March 17, 2020 at 09:57 AM



“ *Bill was a living Angel here on earth. Worked with him at school and I was Blessed by his company! He also donated Rosaries for our daughters with their missionary trips! Surely Heaven has gained the most beautiful Angel! Offering our deepest sympathy, joy and mark dinelli.*



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**joy dinelli** - March 17, 2020 at 08:54 AM



“ *I am so sorry to learn of Bill's passing. He was a dear soul and a pleasure to work with. My heart goes out to all his family and many friends.*

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**Ron Steinacher** - March 17, 2020 at 07:55 AM

JV

“*Brother Bill, as he was known in our Legion of Mary, was one of the holiest people I had the privilege to pray with and learn from. Always humble and a devout worker for the Lord and the Blessed Mother. It's been years since I've seen Br. Bill and Sr. Anita but the memories and the impact on my life will always be a treasure. I'm so sorry for your loss, Sr. Anita. Our prayers are with you and your Family. I know Jesus is saying "Well done, good and faithful servant, come right in."*

Joan Voves - March 17, 2020 at 01:26 AM



“*Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William John Scheer.*



March 17, 2020 at 12:34 AM



“*Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of William John Scheer.*




March 16, 2020 at 11:38 PM

DB

“*the Bill was a steadfast member of Immaculate Conception Church where he and Anita gave of their time and talents for many years. Sympathy to Anita and family.  
RIP, Bill*

Dee deGroh, president emeritus, BAHS - March 16, 2020 at 07:37 PM

 Mary  
Dragovan

“ Dear Loving Family of Bill,

*Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you. Although we have only known you a few years, Bill has left his mark on our hearts. May loving memories bring you comfort in the days ahead. If there is anything we can do to help, please reach out to us.*

*Rest In Peace, Bill. You will be missed.*

*Love, Bob and Mary Dragovan and Olivia*

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**Mary Dragovan** - March 16, 2020 at 05:23 PM