



## Steve Schwartz

December 29, 1941 - February 18, 2025

Stephen "Steve" Schwartz, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend, passed away at the age of 83 on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at St. Louis University Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

Steve was born on December 29, 1941, in Centralia, the son of Matthew and Pauline (Larsh) Schwartz. He married Linda Keiner on June 15, 1968, in DuQuoin, IL and she survives him in Centralia.

A man of deep spirituality, Steve was a devoted student of the Bible, finding solace and guidance within its pages. He graduated with Bachelor Degrees in Theology and Philosophy from Cardinal Glennon College in St. Louis, MO. From 1977 - 1989, he owned and operated the Schwartz Insurance Shoppe and later retired from being a Certified Financial Planner with American Express. He enjoyed woodworking and sports and he loved to dance, especially to "Johnny B. Goode". He served in the U.S. Army and was a testament to his dedication and patriotism.

Steve is survived by his beloved wife, Linda, of 56 years. Together, they raised four children: Vince and wife Jeanna of Evansville, IN, Nick and wife Beth of Waterloo, IL, Stephanie Meyenburg and husband Adam of Granite City, IL, and Doug and wife Angela of Haubstadt, IN. Steve cherished his grandchildren: Jake, Jenna, Joe, Alec, Gavin and Owen Schwartz, and Lily

and Alice Meyenburg, and his siblings: brothers, Phil and wife Debbie of Walnut Hill, IL, Tom Schwartz and Nancy James of Centralia, Tony Schwartz and Kandice Fischer of Centralia; and sister, Sara Smith and husband Steve of Centralia; several sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law: sister-in-law: Anne Schwartz of Walnut Hill, brother-in-law: Ed Keiner and wife MaryAnn of Noblesville, Indiana, sister-in-law: Janet Scott and husband John of Lake in the Hills, Illinois, sister-in-law: Vera Keiner of Columbia, Maryland. He is also fondly remembered by numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Matthew and Pauline Schwartz, his brother: Dave, his sister Ruth Ann, father and mother-in-law: Ray and Helen Keiner and brother-in-law: Jim Keiner.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 1:00 pm on Monday, February 24, 2025, at St. Mary Church in Centralia with Monsignor David Darin officiating. A Visitation will occur the same day from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at St. Mary Church. Burial will follow the Mass at Calvary Cemetery in Centralia. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Mary School in Centralia and will be accepted by the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home at 235 North Sycamore St. in Centralia, IL 62801 (618) 532-3523, who is honored to be of service to the Schwartz Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com) and on the Funeral Home's Facebook page.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **24**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

St. Mary's Catholic Church

## Funeral Mass

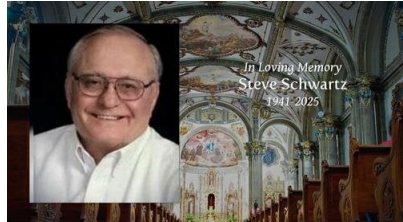
FEB **24**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

St. Marys Catholic Church

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Steve Schwartz*



**Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services** - February 24, 2025 at 09:01 AM

LM

*Beautiful tribute* ❤️

**Linda Redman Martin** - February 28, 2025 at 01:04 PM



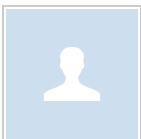
“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Steve Schwartz.

February 23, 2025 at 03:03 PM



“ *Sending condolences to the entire Schwartz family.*

**Missy (Meador) Meyer** - February 22, 2025 at 12:36 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Steve Schwartz.

February 22, 2025 at 12:35 PM

JC

“ Jeff & Debbie Clinebell purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Steve Schwartz.



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**Jeff & Debbie Clinebell** - February 22, 2025 at 10:27 AM



“ W planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steve Schwartz.

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**W** - February 21, 2025 at 11:03 AM



“ W purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Steve Schwartz.



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**W** - February 21, 2025 at 11:03 AM

MT

“ Mark, Jenny and Kari Thurner purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Steve Schwartz.



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**Mark, Jenny and Kari Thurner** - February 21, 2025 at 07:43 AM

NW

“ Neal West lit a candle in memory of Steve Schwartz



Neal West - February 20, 2025 at 07:35 PM

JW

“ To Linda and family, we have you in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless.

Jim & Joyce Wiedman - February 20, 2025 at 04:18 PM

HD

“ Sorry to read about the loss of Steve. Many prayers for him and his family. 🙏



Helen and Paul Donsbach - February 20, 2025 at 11:32 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Steve Schwartz.

February 20, 2025 at 10:51 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Steve Schwartz.



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February 20, 2025 at 10:51 AM



“ *Gayle Harris lit a candle in memory of Steve Schwartz*



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**Gayle Harris** - February 20, 2025 at 10:19 AM



“ *Mary Long lit a candle in memory of Steve Schwartz*



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**Mary Long** - February 19, 2025 at 09:54 PM



“ *Susan Salisbury Kleinedler lit a candle in memory of Steve Schwartz*



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**Susan Salisbury Kleinedler** - February 19, 2025 at 09:47 PM