Rev. Peter Schuler

The Rev. Peter Schuler, 77, of Grinnell, formerly of Lynnville, died Friday, Oct. 31, 2008, at his home.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Nov. 5, at Lynnville Friends Church. Interment was in Highland Memory Gardens in Des Moines. Memorials may be made to Grinnell Regional Hospice, Quaker Heights Camp at Eldora or Holden Cancer Center at the University of Iowa Medical Center. Harden Funeral Home of New Sharon was in charge of arrangements.

Peter Reuben Schuler, son of Samuel and Josephine (Davis) Schuler was born Oct. 9, 1931, in Buffalo Center. He worked with his father as a painter and paper hanger during school vacations. He was a 1949 graduate of Buffalo Center High School. He earned a BA Degree from William Penn College in Oskaloosa in 1954. He then enrolled in Western Evangelical Seminary in Jennings Lodge, near Portland, Oregon. On Aug. 22, 1954, he was united in marriage with Erma Jean Baito at Scranton Friends Church.

His first pastorate was at Nehalem, Oregon. He entered a full-time pastoral ministry in Lynnville, in 1962. He served in eight churches over 43 years. His wife Jean died of cancer on May 13, 1995. He was united in marriage.
Obituaries

Pete Schuler, 77, Grinnell

Reverend Peter Schuler, 77 of Grinnell and formerly of Lynnvale, passed away Friday October 31, 2008 at his home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, November 5, 2008 at the Lynnvale Friends Church. Visitation will begin after 12:00 P.M. Tuesday, November 4, 2008 at the Harden Funeral Home in New Sharon with the family present from 6:00 to 8:00 Tuesday evening. Interment will be in the Highland Memory Gardens in Des Moines at 2:30 P.M. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Grinnell Hospice, Quaker Height Camp at Eldora, Iowa or Holden Cancer Center at the University of Iowa Medical Center. Friends may sign the online guestbook or give condolences at hardenfuneralhomes.com. Harden Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Peter Reuben Schuler, son of Samuel and Josephine (Davis) Schuler was born October 9, 1931 in Buffalo Center, Iowa. He worked with his father as a painter and a paper hanger during school vacations. Pete participated in sports during high school and college. He was a 1949 graduate of Buffalo Center High School. Pete earned a BA Degree from William Penn College in 1954. During his junior year at William Penn, he accepted Christ as his Savior and responded to God’s call to the ministry. Pete enrolled in Western Evangelical Seminary in Jennings Lodge, near Portland, Oregon. On August 22, 1954 he was united in marriage to Erma Jean Baitto at Scranton Friends Church. To this union four children were born, Kenneth Lee, Deborah Kay, Peter Robert and Timothy John.

Pete’s first pastorate was at Nehalem, Oregon. God led him into full time pastoral ministry to Lynnville, Iowa in 1962. He served in eight churches over 43 years. Pete and Jean were a pastoral team for 40 years until Jean died of cancer on May 13, 1995. Pete married Marilyn Watson Sparks on October 6, 1996. Together they enjoyed pastoral services and retirement for 12 years. Peter will be remembered for his faithfulness and obedience to God, his integrity with God’s word and his loyalty to family and friends.

Left to honor his memory are his wife, Marilyn; four children, Kenneth Schuler of Haviland, Kansas, Deborah (Jack) Higginbotham of Corvallis, Oregon, Peter (Renae) Schuler of Wichita, Kansas and Timothy Schuler of Carter Lake, Iowa; seven grandchildren, JoLeah (Joe) Krogman, Amber (Jim) Ray, Kipp Schuler, Samantha Higginbotham, Jonathan Higginbotham, Hannah Schuler and Katherine Schuler; one great, grandchild, Tiernyn Krogman; one brother, Larry (Yvonne) Schuler of Nora Springs, Iowa; four sisters, Betty (Dick) Mirra of Dallas, Texas, Barbara (Merlin) Letcher of Waldport, Oregon, Mary Quade of Wenatchee, Washington, Georgia (Rick) Brown of Ketchikan, Arkansas; a brother in law, Vernon Kolpeck of Cedar Falls; many nieces, nephews and friends.

Peter was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel and Josephine Schuler; his first wife, Jean; a sister Stella Kolpeck; a brother-in-law, Jim Quade and an infant brother.
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