



# Howard Otto Fred Waldschmidt

March 24, 1936 - April 24, 2021

Howard Otto Fred Waldschmidt, passed away peacefully at The Woodlands, in Fond du Lac, on April 24, 2021, at the age of 85.

Howard was born on March 24th, 1936, to Walter and Emma (Lohse) Waldschmidt in the Town of Forest. He was baptized on April 19th into the family of believers at St. Paul's Town of Forest. On September 19, 1959, he married Beatrice M. Iding, at St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church in Fond du Lac. Howard worked on his parents farm until being called to active duty with the 32nd infantry in 1961. After coming home from service he worked for B.F. Goodrich selling PF flyers. In 1976, he started Famous Footwear in Fond du Lac. Five years into that journey, he went independent and changed the name to B & H Footwear. In 1986, they moved the store to Clintonville where Howard and his wife Bea retired in 2019, after 44 years in business, and the store is still run by their daughter Sue (Carl) Aschliman.

Howard was very active in the communities where he lived both in his church and community. He was a firefighter and first responder in the Town of Pella. He was also on the ambulance service in Clintonville. He worked through Fox Valley Tech teaching many first aid and CPR classes.

He is survived by his wife, of 61 years, Beatrice "Bea", his children: Debbie (Andy) Seibel and Sue (Carl) Aschliman; his grandchildren: Anthony (Pam) Seibel, Phillip (Molly) Seibel, Olivia (Tim) Hill, Alex Seibel, Evan Seibel, Catherine (Charlie) Cunningham and Andrew (Crystal) Seibel, Eric (Lindsey) Hamberger, Christopher Hamberger, Kaise (Fiancé Mitchell) Aschliman and Clayton Aschliman; his great grandchildren Arya, Delilah, Vinnie, Nellie and Bowen. He is also survived by brother-in-law Eugene Reitz and sister-in-law Marilyn Waldschmidt, Rosi (Bob) Loehr and Joanne (Doug) Zimmerman along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Howard was preceded in death by his parents, his siblings: Vernon (Irene) (Sylvia) Waldschmidt, Donald Waldschmidt, Delbert (Lorraine) Waldschmidt, Lorraine (Bill)

Krueger and Lucille Reitz.

We would like to thank the staff at the Woodlands and Agnesian Hospice for their care for Howard and family.

VISITATION: Friends may call from 1:00 – 3:00 PM on Sunday, May 2, 2021, at Faith Ev. Lutheran Church, 55 Prairie Road, Fond du Lac. (Face masks are not required but are recommended.)

SERVICE: Memorial services will be held at 3:00 PM on Sunday, May 2, 2021, at Faith Ev. Lutheran Church with his nephews Rev. Richard Waldschmidt and Rev. Paul Waldschmidt officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Howard's name appreciated to Clintonville Area Ambulance Service, St. Martin's Belle Plaine, Winnebago Lutheran Academy or Faith Ev. Lutheran Church.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 2. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Faith Ev. Lutheran Church  
55 Prairie Road  
Fond du Lac, WI 54935  
[office@faithlutheranfdl.org](mailto:office@faithlutheranfdl.org)  
<http://www.faithlutheranfdl.org>

## Service

MAY 2. 3:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

BK

“ *Sending our condolences and prayers to the family of Howard who has been a vibrant spark to our community and his memory lives on through his children. Rest in peace good and faithful servant.*

*FWD Seagrave Museum  
Board Members and Volunteers*



Barbara Koster - April 27, 2021 at 06:19 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Howard Otto Fred Waldschmidt.*



April 27, 2021 at 09:27 AM

MK

“ *So sorry Clintonville has lost this important member of our community .The two stores now operated by his daughter anchor one side of Main Street my prayers are with his family*

mary beth kuester - April 26, 2021 at 04:00 PM

FF

“ *From the Packerland Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Howard Otto Fred Waldschmidt.*



From the Packerland Family - April 26, 2021 at 03:19 PM

JS

“ *So sorry to hear of Howard's passing. May God's loving arms surround you and May memories comfort you at this difficult time. Joan Waldschmidt Steinke*

Joan Steinke - April 25, 2021 at 08:49 PM

LL

“ *My deepest sympathy to Howie’s family as you mourn his passing.*

Louetta Loehr - April 25, 2021 at 08:30 PM

LT

“ *Howard was such an awesome person. I always enjoyed a visit with him and Bea! He did so much for Pella. I remember him helping build the Pella Park and donating his time to Pella Daze. He was such a giving person and will be missed by many!*



Linda L Tews - April 25, 2021 at 08:53 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Howard Otto Fred Waldschmidt.*



April 24, 2021 at 07:20 PM