



## Ike Schroeder

April 21, 1917 - February 25, 2013

Ivo "Ike" Schroeder, age 95, passed away peacefully on February 25, 2013. He was born on April 21, 1917, to Frances and Peter Schroeder in Alton, Iowa. After graduating from St. Mary's Academy, he began his banking career in Alton, until joining the U.S. Army Air Force in 1942. He was stationed in Savannah, Georgia, and while there married Marion Kooreman in 1943. After discharge from the service in 1946, Ike returned to banking joining the Brenton Banks, first in Emmetsburg, Iowa, and then transferring to Eagle Grove, Iowa, in 1950. It was there that he and Marion made their home and raised their family. After his retirement in 1974, they became permanent residents of Okoboji.

Ike was a fun-loving, sociable man with a large circle of friends. During his life he was active in many civic and charitable organizations. He loved the game of golf and was an avid player having five holes-in-one. He also loved the Iowa Hawkeyes and attended hundreds of football games, including 5 Rose Bowls. Ike and Marion spent many winters in Scottsdale, Arizona. He was very proud of his family and friends, but he was also proud of being a part of the Okoboji community for over 50 years.

Ike is survived by his brother Robert Schroeder of Palm Springs, California; 3 children, Carolyn (David) Langenbach of Glencoe, Illinois, Ed Schroeder (Tammy Jones) of New Richmond, Wisconsin, and Joe Schroeder of Houston, Texas; 5 grandchildren, Lisa (Mark) Smith of Glenview, Illinois, Brad (Raechel) Langenbach of Glenview, Illinois, Michelle (Rick) Masters of Burlington, Iowa,

Aubree Schroeder of Nashville, Tennessee, and Sarah Schroeder of Houston, Texas. He is also survived by 7 great-grandchildren, Ryan, Braden, Andrew, Ava, Aiden, Colin and Brett.

Ike was preceded in death by Marion, his wife of 61 years; his brother, Clarence; his sister, Marcene McCormick; and his parents.

A Celebration of Life will be held in late Spring. Memorial donations can be made to Iowa Hospice, 1370 Lake Street, Spirit Lake, Iowa 51360. The Schuchert Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

CO

“ *my sympathies to Carolyn,joe,and ed.I remember him very well. He was a friend of my mom&dad-keith and dottie voigt.what a friendly guy.*

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**claudia voigt olson** - July 08, 2013 at 02:30 PM

NS

“ *Ike Schroeder*

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**Norm Schulenburg** - May 18, 2013 at 04:39 PM

SW

“ *Thanks for the memories, dear friend! We surely had many a fun evening at Tweeters! And, we enjoyed following the Hawkeyes with you! Loved stopping over for a bloody mary now and then, too. Well, you and my dear Steve can watch the next football season from above! It was an honor to know you, sir! I loved you very much! Sue Wood*

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**Sue Wood** - May 18, 2013 at 12:02 PM

LT

“ *Godspeed Ike, my dad's best friend.*

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**Lee V. Taylor** - May 18, 2013 at 05:54 AM

CH

“ *So many wonderful memories I have of my Eagle Grove neighbors and good friends, Ike & Marion. Those were wonderful days!! My sympathy to the family.*

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**Cleolis Hoath** - March 07, 2013 at 10:00 AM

JC

“ Ike and Marion had some great moments in Eagle Grove. They were good friends of my Dad and Mom, Maury and Carolyn Crabbe. My fondest memories of Ike were those moments on the golf course. He had a very favorable social attitude about friends and any people who spent time with him. He and Marion did a great job in helping their kids grow and and in helping their community succeed. Jim Crabbe

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**JAMES CRABBE** - March 05, 2013 at 01:13 PM

LL

“ Such a nice person, he was a very good friend of my husband Jim Long, from Eagle Grove, Ia. A true gentleman.

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**Lynda Long** - March 05, 2013 at 08:17 AM

SD

“ I have so many great childhood memories of Ike (and Marion) at Okoboji and in Eagle Grove.... what a great and memorable man. please know that i'm thinking of you all and send my deepest sympathies. Scott Dunn

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**Scott Dunn** - March 04, 2013 at 02:29 PM

JL

“ I first met Ike back in the early '80s. I've served him a few cocktails and had great conversations over the years. Such a fine person and a true gentle man.

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**Jill Larson** - March 01, 2013 at 06:43 PM

JK

“ Ike Schroeder

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**Joy Kruse** - March 01, 2013 at 03:25 PM



LS

“GOD BLESS IKE, I always remember him having a joke or two. A priest passing through his church in the middle of the day, decided to pause by the altar, to see who came to pray.

*Just then the back door opened, and a man came down the aisle. The minister frowned as he saw the man hadn't shaved in a while.*

*His shirt was torn and shabby, and his coat was worn and frayed. The man knelt down and bowed his head, then rose and walked away.*

*In the days that followed at precisely noon, the preacher saw this chap, each time he knelt just for a moment, a lunch pail in his lap.*

*Well, the minister's suspicions grew, with robbery a main fear, he decided to stop and ask the man. 'What are you doing here?'*

*The old man said he was a factory worker, and lunch was half an hour. Lunchtime was his prayer time, for finding strength and power. I stay only a moment because the factory's far away; as I kneel here, talking to the Lord, this is kinda what I say:*

*'I JUST CAME BY TO TELL YOU, LORD,*

*HOW HAPPY I HAVE BEEN,*

*SINCE WE FOUND EACH OTHERS FRIENDSHIP*

*AND YOU TOOK AWAY MY SIN.*

*DON'T KNOW MUCH OF HOW TO PRAY,*

*BUT I THINK ABOUT YOU EVERYDAY.*

*SO, JESUS, THIS IS IKE,*

*JUST CHECKING IN TODAY.'*

*The minister feeling foolish, told IKE that it was fine.  
He told the man that he was welcome to pray there anytime. 'It's  
time to go, and thanks,' IKE said*

*As he hurried to the door, then the minister knelt there at the altar,  
which he'd never done before.*

*His cold heart melted, warmed with love, as he met with Jesus  
there. As the tears flowed down his cheeks,  
He repeated old IKE's prayer:*

*'I JUST CAME by TO TELL YOU, LORD,*

*HOW HAPPY I'VE BEEN,*

*SINCE WE FOUND EACH OTHERS FRIENDSHIP*

*AND YOU TOOK AWAY MY SIN.*

*I DON'T KNOW MUCH OF HOW TO PRAY,*

*BUT I THINK ABOUT YOU EVERYDAY.*

*SO, JESUS, THIS IS ME,*

*JUST CHECKING IN TODAY.'*

*Past noon one day, the minister noticed that old IKE hadn't come.  
As more days passed and still no IKE,  
He began to worry some.*

*At the factory, he asked about him, learning he was ill.  
The hospital staff was worried, but he'd given them a thrill. The  
week that IKE was with them, brought changes in the ward. His  
smiles and joy was contagious, changed people were his reward.*

*The head nurse couldn't understand why IKE could be so glad,  
when no flowers, calls or cards came,  
not a visitor he had.*

*The minister stayed by his bed, he voiced the nurse's concern:  
No friends had come to show they cared. He had nowhere to turn.  
Looking surprised, old IKE spoke up  
and with a winsome smile;  
'The nurse is wrong, she couldn't know, he's been here all the  
while.'*

*Everyday at noon He comes here, a dear friend of mine, you see,  
he sits right down and takes my hand,  
Leans over and says to me:*

*'I JUST CAME BY TO TELL YOU, IKE,*

*HOW HAPPY I HAVE BEEN,*

*SINCE WE FOUND THIS FRIENDSHIP,*

*AND I TOOK AWAY YOUR SIN .*

*I THINK ABOUT YOU ALWAYS*

*AND I LOVE TO HEAR YOU PRAY,*

*AND SO IKE, THIS IS JESUS,*

*JUST CHECKING IN TODAY.'*

*Only true friends will leave footprints in your*

*Heart. May God hold you in the palm of His hand  
and Angels watch over you.. So, FRIEND, this is ME ...  
"Just Checking In Today"*

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**Lynn Stewart** - March 01, 2013 at 03:19 PM

JO

“ Ike Schroeder

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**Joy\_kruse@msn.com** - February 27, 2013 at 03:33 PM

RJ

“ *A true gentleman and wonderful soul. So proud of and devoted to  
those he loved. He'll be missed. Cheers Ike.*

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**Rick Jaacks** - February 27, 2013 at 09:41 AM



“ Ike Schroeder

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February 26, 2013 at 03:47 PM

JK

“ Ike Schroeder

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**Joy Kruse** - February 26, 2013 at 03:47 PM

CP

“ *I have such fond memories of visiting Ike. He was a true gentleman  
and I loved his Hawkeye stories. He loved the Lake - that fantastic  
view gave him many memories. I will miss him but I know you as a  
family will miss him even more. May God comfort you during this  
time.*

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**Cyndy Powers** - February 26, 2013 at 02:55 PM

TS

“ My thoughts are with all of you in the passing of your Dad! Ike and I had many many good visits when I owned the Outrigger,He was a great man and such an inspiration to all,My favorite memory of Ike was when It was just him and I at the bar,I said "Ike Im thinking about having a party on Sunday for my customers and friends to celebrate my birthday.What do you think?" His reply was,"Well Tim I wouldnt be opposed to it" We both busted up laughing!!! Great memories with Ike.And yes we did have the party and I reserved a stool at the bar with Ikes name on it! God Bless all of you ,you are in my thoughts!!!

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**Tim Smith** - February 25, 2013 at 10:28 PM

BC

“ What a wonderful man! Always smiling, always kind. And Marian, too. So many wonderful memories at their cottage in Echo Bay . . . Love and condolences to Joe and the family.

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**Bonnie Ruth Carper** - February 25, 2013 at 07:40 PM

JH

“ One of the nicest man I ever had the honor to know

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**Jerry and Sally Haas** - February 25, 2013 at 04:35 PM