

Louie Schlossnagle, age 84, of Bowdon, ND, died Thursday, October 17, 2019 at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Louis Lee Schlossnagle was born in West Virginia, on October 4, 1935, to Ethel Laymann and Clair Prost . Growing up during the depression and the Great War Louis started to work at a young age developing a strong sense of family, which he kept for his whole life. Barely out of high school, Louie enlisted in the U.S Army as a private during the latter part of the Korean War, serving in the Army until the armistice of 1953.

Returning home after the war Louie moved to California, a few years later Louie met his life partner, Judy Williamson, a North Dakota born and raised girl, who he married on December, 24, 1969 in Grangeville, ID, only a few weeks after their first date. They would go on to spend over fifty years together.

Louie was blessed with four children during his life, he went on to raise multiple children as a foster care parent and adopted, Sonya and Johnnie, whom he raised as a daughter and son. Later in his life he became a host to four foreign exchange students, a testament to his deeply generous and understanding character.

He may not have been a decorated war hero, but Louie served his country in one of the largest conflicts of the 20th century, remaining a proud American his whole life. Though he wasn't a native from the State Louie chose North Dakota as his home and spent the latter part of his life in that State. Louie was never a rich man.

He was a working class man, who held multiple jobs during his life, going on to work in manual labor until his early 80s, remaining a steadfast provider for his family; an example of honesty and hard work for every working American.

Tragically, Louie's health deteriorated rapidly during the last years of his life, when he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and developed bladder and kidney issues. In the face of his deteriorating health Louie chose to remain at home until the end, receiving palliative home care from his family.

Bowdon mourns the loss of one of its few remaining long time citizens. North Dakota mourns the loss of the last living Korean War veterans in the State. The United States mourns the loss of an outstanding citizen, a patriot and a family man. Humanity mourns the loss of a towering example of honesty and work.

Louie is survived by his loving wife Judy, his children Shelly (David Sr.) Archuletta, Melody Rodrigues, Veronica Perry, Joy Schlossnagle, Sonya Rose and Johnnie Moore; two brothers Ellis (Linda) Schlossnagle, Roy (Judy) Schlossnagle, two sisters Darlene Almon and Linda (Denny) Sanders; his grandchildren David Archuletta Jr., Amber Archuletta, Dakota Rose and Mason Rose , great-grandchild Gavin Lee Archuletta, many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son Russel Schlossnagle and one step-son Glen Williamson.

## *In God's Care*



*Louis "Louie" Schlossnagle*  
*October 4, 1935 - October 17, 2019*

## *What Makes A Dad*

God took the strength of a mountain,  
The majesty of a tree,  
The warmth of a summer sun,  
The calm of a quiet sea,  
The generous soul of nature,  
The comforting arm of night,  
The wisdom of the ages,  
The power of the eagles flight,  
The joy of a morning in spring,  
The faith of a mustard seed,  
The patience of eternity,  
The depth of a family need,  
Then God combined these qualities,  
When there was nothing more to add,  
He knew His masterpiece complete,  
And so He called it Dad.

In Loving Memory Of

## *Louis Lee Schlossnagle*

October 4, 1935 - West Virginia  
October 17, 2019 - Bowdon, ND

### **VISITATION**

Tuesday, October 22, 2019 ~ 1:00PM-2:00PM  
Bowdon Church of God, Bowdon

### **FUNERAL SERVICE**

Tuesday, October 22, 2019 ~ 2:00PM  
Bowdon Church of God, Bowdon

### **OFFICIATING**

Pastor Dale Peaslee

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

*The Dad He Didn't Have To Be ~ Brad Paisley*  
*The Old Rugged Cross ~ Johnny Cash*  
*Daddy's Hands ~ Holly Dunn*  
*Amazing Grace ~ Alan Jackson*  
*Go Rest High On That Mountain ~ Vince Gill*

### **HONORARY CASKET BEARERS**

Louie's Beloved Family & Close Friends

### **MILITARY HONORS**

U.S. Army Military Honors Team

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