



## Lewis Francis Scheffler Jr.

October 13, 1928 - December 1, 2022

Lewis Scheffler: 10/13/1928 - 12/01/2022

Lewis Francis Scheffler, Jr. was born in Springfield, Ohio (where he lived during his childhood and adolescence), on October 13, 1928 to Lewis Francis Scheffler, Sr. and Emily L. Scheffler nee Kloker. He played the clarinet in high school in the marching band and at school dances. He went to Cincinnati Bible Seminary, graduating in 1950. He was ordained in the Christian Church and preached in small congregations off and on throughout his life. In 1957 he started work at Owens Corning Fiberglass, where he was director of the research center. He continued working in scientific research until 1971. This was the part of his life of which he was most proud.

In 1972 Lew reentered the ministry, preaching at churches of Christ in Quincy, Illinois and Maryland Heights, Missouri. In 1975 he started work as a Police dispatcher in Brentwood, Missouri until his retirement in 1987. In 1989 he earned a master's degree in English at Webster University in St Louis. After that he held a number of positions as instructor of English Literature in Community Colleges in Missouri. He also preached at Christian Churches in Potosi and Laddonia, Missouri.

In the early 2000s Lew moved to Austin Texas, then lived for a while in Alton, Illinois, and spent his final two years in Ridge Manor, Florida. He loved to read

and listen to big band era music. He wrote poetry, mostly about everyday life situations, like losing your car in a crowded parking lot. He enjoyed word play and had a fun sense of humor.

Lew is survived by his four children: Lewis Fischer, Rick Scheffler, Gary Scheffler, and Tonni (Scheffler) Loutzenhiser; his grandchildren: Donovan Fischer, Alex Fischer, Jason Scheffler, Ian Scheffler, Nigel Loutzenhiser, and Alexis Loutzenhiser; and his great granddaughter Vicky Scheffler He was preceded in death by his brother: John Scheffler, and his sister: Martha Kelley.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that a donation be made in Mr. Scheffler's honor to the Florida Native Plants Society: [fms.org](http://fms.org). All arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home-Purcell Chapel in Bushnell, Florida.

# Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear of Francis’ passing. He certainly had a very positive influence/impact on our family and me personally as our minister back in the mid-1960’s! To Francis’ family, please accept our deepest sympathies.

*On behalf of the entire Schworm Family,  
Gary Schworm*

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**Gary Schworm** - December 07, 2022 at 10:45 PM