



## Jere John Schuler

September 30, 2017

Jere John Schuler, 58, of Ronks, PA, husband, father, son, brother, was surrounded by his family when he entered into rest on, Saturday, September 30, 2017, after a lengthy battle with Cancer at the Hospice and Community Center of Mount Joy. He was a man with honor and dignity.

Known as “Bip” to his family and friends, Jere was born in Lancaster, PA on October 16, 1958 to Jere Waddell Schuler and the late Margaret “Peg” Sarah Newman Schuler.

Bip was married to Sharon Wiker Schuler on the beautiful island of Maui 14 years ago. They have enjoyed sharing a home in Lancaster, PA and Atlanta, GA during their happy years.

Jere was a 1976 graduate of Lampeter-Strasburg High School where his interest in investigative work was first noted as a reporter for the high school paper “The Limelight” investigating and writing stories from the community. He also featured an article titled Limelight meets “The Man” about his experience during a two-hour ride-along with the Chief of West Lampeter Township.

His interest for law enforcement would have to take a back seat to his love for sports. After pitching a no-hitter in his first start for the Bunting Oilers in June 1972 his athletic career would become a priority. After making all-star on all

three teams; baseball, football and basketball during his high school years, he received many athletic awards to include “Outstanding Senior Athlete” and was named the 1976 Lancaster Intelligencer “Athlete of the Year”. He was also inducted into the Lampeter-Strasburg Baseball Hall of Fame. Following his senior year in high school, Jere had to choose between an offer from the Cardinals to play baseball and a scholarship from Penn State to continue his studies while playing baseball.

At the young age of 17, Jere chose The St. Louis Cardinals and was drafted in the third round of the Professional Baseball Draft. He played for a number of years until an injury brought him home to start his second career of law enforcement.

Jere attended Millersville University and subsequently graduated from the Harrisburg Area Community College Police Academy. He served as a member of the West Lampeter Police Department, retiring after 30 years of which 27 years were devoted to being sole Detective of the department. He was also part of the Major Crimes Unit, where his quick and decisive interviewing style was greatly appreciated. Jere enjoyed working alongside law enforcement officers throughout the region on the Major Crimes Unit.

Jere will be recalled as a creative storyteller but will be long remembered for how he stood for what was right and what was decent; by his moral standing and his need to cause benefit for all and to exalt his community through his living as a peace maker and a crime stopper.

In addition to his wife, Sharon, Jere is survived by his father, Jere W. Schuler (Renée) of Lancaster, PA; his daughter, Shanna Schuler, and her son, Kennan, of St. Petersburg, FL; his sister, Stephanie S. Lininger (William) and their daughter, Taylor of Lancaster, PA; and his step children, Chloe Peru Blalock Wiker and Jack Oliver Blalock of Atlanta, GA.

Love You Always and Forever.

Honoring his wishes, there will be no services.

Those wishing to make a memorial remembrance may donate to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at [www.stjude.org/give/memorials-and-dedications.html](http://www.stjude.org/give/memorials-and-dedications.html)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jere John Schuler*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *My heartfelt condolences to Representative Schuler and the entire Schuler family. Be assured you are on my mind and in my prayers.*  
*Kevin Blaum*  
*PA. House of Representatives (Ret)*

Kevin Blaum - October 11, 2017 at 01:09 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the Schuler family on the loss of Jere... You are in my thoughts and prayers.....*

*Roy Reinard*

Roy Reinard - October 10, 2017 at 02:21 PM



“ *Rep. Jere: Met Craig Stedman Saturday evening in Centre County. I mentioned your name and he said your son passed away recently. I am so sorry to learn of this and your loss. Thinking and praying for you and your family.*

*Lynn Herman*

Lynn Herman - October 10, 2017 at 12:17 PM

KG

“ Dear Sharon and the entire Schuler family: so sorry to hear of Bips passing..i will be thinking of you and praying for peace as you grieve a GREAT man leaving his earthly life way too soon. HUGS. Kathy Mahoney Groff

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**Kathy Mahoney Groff** - October 09, 2017 at 09:00 PM

TP

“ The Devine family send our love, prayers and deepest condolences to the family and all that knew and loved him. Though I didn't know him well, he always had a smile and a warm "Hello" from when we passed in the halls of Lampeter Strasburg High School, and when we passed on the street. Rest in love with your beautiful Mom!

*Tammy Devine Palmer  
& the family of Tom Devine*

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**Tammy Devine Palmer** - October 08, 2017 at 11:22 AM

KB

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Schuler family on the loss of your beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother and son. I have many memories of the fun we had together in high school. All of L-S was proud when Bip was scouted for the big leagues but we were also happy when he came back to Lancaster. Those of us in the Class of '76 were also thrilled when Bip and Sharon got together. I pray that God brings you comfort and peace, and blessings as you all go forward with him.

*Karen Bachman and Bill Rouse*

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**Karen Bachman** - October 07, 2017 at 01:16 PM

SS

“ *The Jane Enck family is thinking and praying for Bip's family during this time of loss and grief. While Bip was a part of our family he brought many good memories that we will hold onto forever. I was always impressed with his family values including my mother on trips to the beach and support during tough times including my husband's devastating accident.*

*While his loss is difficult, we pray that your fond memories will help you to ease the pain. Hoping you also find comfort knowing he is with his Mother who he loved so dearly.*

*Our deepest sympathy*

*Stephanie (Enck) Spangler*

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**stephanie spangler** - October 06, 2017 at 08:33 AM

DD

“ *I played all three sports with "Bip"... to know Jere is to spend time with him in the huddle, on a "meeting on the mound" or in the locker room..... He would constantly crack us up with his great sense of humor and his imitations ....A true star athlete who at 6'5" in those days were rare... a true gangly lefty with a rifle arm.. What a great guy.... He will be missed, but those in heaven are hearing some great stories and having some laughs.... RIP BIP!!!*

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**Doug Deihm** - October 05, 2017 at 10:14 AM

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**Swiker Wiker** - October 04, 2017 at 10:13 PM

SS

*My heart is broken in pieces. I miss you Dad. I never got a chance to say goodbye. I love you so much. I wish you were still here. Keegan never got a chance to meet his Grandpa. And were doing so good! I just wanted to make you proud. Now I'll never get that chance because your gone. But I know your smiling down on me in Heaven. Jesus please give my Dad a hug from his daughter Shanna. I love you Dad!*  
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Shanna Schuler - November 06, 2019 at 09:35 AM

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Swiker Wiker - October 04, 2017 at 10:11 PM

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Swiker Wiker - October 04, 2017 at 10:07 PM

SS

*I will remember this Christmas forever, because I got to spend it with you. I "loaf" you very much Dad! :-)*

Shanna Schuler - November 06, 2019 at 09:41 AM

WG

“ *Bip was one of the best friends and investigators that it was my pleasure to work with at West Lampeter Township Police. We kept in touch with email. Hewill be greatly missed. My most sincere sympathies to the Schuyler family.*

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**William “Mickey” Groff** - October 04, 2017 at 07:51 PM

LH

“ *To the family of Jere John Schuler. My name is Luther Henry, I was with the Lancaster City Police Dept. for almost 26 years. I do not know if Jere Sr. will remember me, we were schoolmates at Edward Hand Junior High back in the 1940s. I do remember running into Jere Sr. up at the State Capitol some years ago when he was a State Representative. I only met your Son Jere one time. He joined the West Lampeter Dept. after I had left the Lancaster PD. I met him at a gathering held for the retiring Chief of West Lampeter, Jim Daecher, who was a long time friend from the Lancaster Police from which he had also retired after a long career. I chatted for some time with Jere and was very impressed by him and his easy going demeanor and his apparent knowledge of police work. Jim Daecher also had good comments about his abilities and his value to the Police Dept. I send my deepest sympathy and condolences to the family and to Jere's wife and children. May God grant His peace and comfort to the family*

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**Luther Henry** - October 04, 2017 at 07:35 PM

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**Swiker Wiker** - October 04, 2017 at 10:57 AM

JC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Gere and his entire family.*

*Joe and Linda Caputo*

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**Joseph Caputo** - October 04, 2017 at 09:51 AM

TW

“ *I remember Jere coming in to the Millersville Office to see Jack (Kenneff) and his sense of humor was awesome. It always made my day when he'd stop by the office. I'm sure he will be sadly missed by so many people. My condolences to all his family members.*

*Tina Weaver (Goodman & Kenneff)*

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**Tina Weaver** - October 04, 2017 at 09:49 AM

KW

“ *God Speed Jere - I'll miss the stories!*

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**Kurt Wagner** - October 04, 2017 at 08:28 AM

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**Swiker Wiker** - October 04, 2017 at 08:17 AM

JL

“ *Bip and i went back a long way and still to this day he was not only the finest athlete i ever knew but was a great friend and a pure joy to be around. though we lost contact in the past several years i thought about him many, many times. one the kindest, nicest and most highly regarded people i've ever known who made the world a much better place. God speed Bip and thanks for all the wonderful memories.*

John R. Lutz - October 04, 2017 at 08:13 AM

MG

*My condolences to the family. My husband was Jake glick and we had a lot of fun with Bip and also his mother and father. RIP Bip.*

maggie Glick - October 04, 2017 at 01:36 PM

Roseanne  
De

“ *Roseanne De lit a candle in memory of Jere John Schuler*



Roseanne De - October 03, 2017 at 10:23 PM

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De

*Your presence was undeniable... I will mourn your loss profoundly.*

Roseanne De - October 03, 2017 at 10:28 PM

ER

“ *As a former trooper I had the opportunity to assist Jere in investigations. He was always a true professional. Prayers to the family in their loss. Ed Rowlands*

ed rowlands - October 03, 2017 at 10:15 PM

DM

“ To Jere's beautiful family, Please accept our deepest sympathy on Jere's passing. Keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. Your wings are ready, fly high with the angels and watch over your loved ones. Until you are reunited in heavens glory.

God's Speed,  
Dianne Evans Murray Pa. State Capitol Police (ret.)  
&  
Michael Armstrong

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**Dianne Murray** - October 03, 2017 at 03:19 PM



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**Steven Tee** - October 03, 2017 at 02:33 PM



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**Steven Tee** - October 03, 2017 at 01:57 PM

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**Swiker Wiker** - October 03, 2017 at 01:22 PM

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**Swiker Wiker** - October 03, 2017 at 01:21 PM

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**Swiker Wiker** - October 03, 2017 at 01:04 PM

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**Swiker Wiker** - October 03, 2017 at 12:56 PM

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**Swiker Wiker** - October 03, 2017 at 12:49 PM

SS

*I know my Dad loved you very much Sharon. Thank you for making my Dad as happy as I've ever seen him! I've tried to contact you, with no success. Sending love to you and your family. <3*

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**Shanna Schuler** - November 06, 2019 at 09:44 AM

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**Swiker Wiker** - October 03, 2017 at 12:45 PM

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**Swiker Wiker** - October 03, 2017 at 12:19 PM



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**Swiker Wiker** - October 03, 2017 at 12:11 PM

BB

“ Sharon, This is Bob BODNAR. Bipper and I have been friends for over 30 years. He worked for me as a sergeant at the jail in the early 1980's. We have stayed in contact over the years and my wife and I had a birthday dinner with you and Bip a few years ago. Bip and I were daily text and email companions the last several months and I hope I added a degree of comfort during his last weeks. He told me he was going into the hospital...asked me to visit for an hour, but then quickly withdrew the invitation. I respected his wish for privacy. I don't have your current address to mail a card, but please accept our deepest condolences. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. I will miss Bip's wit, humor and discussion of current events.. I smile just thinking of all our adventures together. I know he will be waiting to greet me when my time comes. GOD Bless.

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**Bob Bodnar** - October 03, 2017 at 11:42 AM

SB

“ I first met Bip after moving back to the Lancaster area over 25 years ago from Florida. During our first conversation, we realized that I would have had to have called some of his games pitching for the Cardinals in extended spring in St. Petersburg as I was a professional umpire there also. Several years later we met again. This time when he was the investigating the apartment fire in which my mother died. He was so kind and caring and helpful to me during that time. My sincerest condolences to all the family for your loss of Bip...a very good man.

Steve Book

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**Steve Book** - October 03, 2017 at 11:10 AM

DO

“ Jere:

*I worked with Jere "BIP" at the prison and on investigations in the county. He was a great guy and a good friend. Always seemed to have a smile and a good story to make you laugh. I will miss him and his great sense of humor. Rest well brother.*

*Odie*

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**David Odenwalt** - October 03, 2017 at 10:11 AM

KF

“ Jere:

*I was so sorry to hear about Bip's passing. I did not know he was sick until my brother Mark said he had heard from a fellow member of the social club they both belonged to. I had the opportunity to talk to Bip about two years ago with an issue we had with my nephew. He was very friendly helpful and informative.*

*I probably had more athletic contact in Basketball than any other sport back in high school. Scrimmages during high school season and pick-up games outside the Middle school on a less than ten foot basket where we both could dunk.*

*I see he was married to Sharon Wiker. Is this the one from L-S. If so, I remember her from band. Relay my condolences to her as well.*

*May faith, time and memories help heal at this time of loss.*

*Kevin Frey*

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**Kevin Frey** - October 03, 2017 at 09:46 AM

DG

“ Sharon, My deepest sympathies to you and your family. Jere was such a great guy and co-worker. I have missed all of his stories and his fantastic laugh. He will be truly missed by all that really knew him. My thoughts and special prayers are with you and you family at this time of sorrow. Denise Glatfelter and his work buddy "Garfield".

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**Denise Glatfelter** - October 03, 2017 at 07:45 AM

JA

“ *Bip, a super great guy, great investigator, worked with Big, and we always got our guy... You, ll be in my prayers.. John Ator..*

John Ator - October 03, 2017 at 07:10 AM

KS

“ *My Deepest Condolences to Sharon & The Family, R.I.P Jere !  
Sincerely, Ken @ K.B.S.*

Kenneth Stark - October 03, 2017 at 07:08 AM

NE

*Coach,  
I am so sorry to hear about Bip's passing. There are many fond memories I carry with me from HS sports. RIP Bip. My thoughts and prayers go out to Sharon and her family.*

*Sincerely,  
Norm Elias*

Norman Elias - October 03, 2017 at 01:24 PM



Melissa Ransing

*I want to extend my condolences to the family. I have enjoyed working with Jere over the years. He will always be remembered and greatly missed. Prayers for the family. RIP Jere we are all thinking about you and sharing stories.*

Melissa Ransing - October 03, 2017 at 03:00 PM

TM

*Worked with, & for Bip @Lancaster County Prison. Both of us left around the same time in 1986 to become Police Officers. I went with Lancaster City & he went with West Lampeter. GREAT person, & a tremendous loss to the community. RIP*

*Ted Makauskas*

Ted Makauskas - October 04, 2017 at 01:30 PM