

Sheriff Edward F. Schroeder (1930-2019)

Ed was born August 2, 1930 in Covington to Edward J. and Emma H. (Broering) Schroeder. Emma died six days later due to complications from childbirth. Ed's father remarried Fannie E. Ostick, the only mother he ever knew.

After high school, Ed joined the United States Army, serving during the Korean War.

When he returned home, he served as an accountant for General Motors in the early 1950s and as a cashier in the late 1950s for Louis Marx and Brothers, where his father was a salesman.

By the mid-1960s, Ed joined the Kenton County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy Sheriff. By 1967 he was promoted to Chief Deputy. He ran for Sheriff and was elected, taking office on January 1, 1975. After decades of "merely collecting taxes", Sheriff Schroeder deployed Kenton County's first Sheriff's Patrol.



Next, Sheriff Schroeder ran for Kenton County Circuit Court Clerk and was re-elected to the position several times. He received the Pioneer Award from the Kenton County Fiscal Court.

By May 2001, he was appointed Mayor of Ludlow and served there for a decade. In all, Sheriff Schroeder spent 51 years in public service.

He was also a member of the Kehoe Council Knights of Columbus, Ludlow Vets (including a term as president), Sts. Boniface and James Church parish council and finance committee, Covington Catholic High School Boosters and School Board, and CLASP (Interfaith after school program for Ludlow children). He was President of the Ludlow-Bromley Swim Club and the founder of the Catholic Education Association at St. James - St. Boniface School.

Sheriff Schroeder passed away on Monday, March 25, 2019 at Atria Highland Crossing in Ft. Wright at the age 88.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 58 years, Mary Lou (Bussman) Schroeder (2016). He is survived by his children, Susan (Joseph) Heringhaus, John Schroeder, Steve (Jamie) Schroeder, and David Schroeder; ten grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

A visitation will be held 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday, March 29, 2019 at [Sts. Boniface and James Church](#) at 304 Oak Street in Ludlow. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 12:30 p.m. Interment, with military honors, will follow at [Mother of God Cemetery](#) in Ft. Wright.

Memorials may be made to Covington Catholic High School, 1600 Dixie Highway, Park Hills, KY 41011.

We are looking for more information and will update the obituary at [Police-Museum.org](#).