



## Stanley Martin Scheer

March 11, 1943 - December 13, 2020

Dr. Stan Scheer, 77, of Windsor, Colorado and Murrieta, California, passed away on December 13, 2020 from Covid-19. He was preceded in death six days earlier by his wife of 31 years, Dr. Marian Scheer. Both were lifelong educators and proud veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Stan was born in Flint, Michigan on March 11, 1943 to Martin and Willodene Scheer, and grew up in Cheyenne, Wyoming. After being the first in his family to graduate from high school (Cheyenne Central, 1961), he went on to obtain three degrees from the University of Wyoming, culminating in a Doctorate degree in education. As an educator for more than 50 years, his career included stints as a 6th grade teacher, a building principal, a position with the Wyoming Department of Education, and an assistant superintendent for curriculum in two different school districts. He then went on to serve as a highly successful superintendent of four different school districts: Ferguson-Florissant in Missouri, Littleton Public Schools in Colorado, Murrieta Valley in California, and the Thompson School District in Colorado. He oversaw, and improved, the education of hundreds of thousands of students over the course of his career.

Throughout his life Stan was a builder—of schools, of consensus, and of relationships—and he left each of his districts better than he found them. He has been described as smart, humble, hard-working, and filled with knowledge and integrity. But the words most often used to describe him were kind, caring, and generous. Coming from extremely humble beginnings himself, he believed education was the great equalizer and he dedicated his life to providing educational opportunities to kids from every background. That often included acts of quiet generosity, such as secretly purchasing band instruments or anonymously funding scholarships for students in need. He possessed a strong Christian faith, and he believed that no amount of generosity on his part could exceed the blessings he had received in his own life. His legacy of service, dedication, and generosity to others was memorialized in a Gubernatorial Proclamation declaring December 13, 2020 to be Stan Scheer Day in the State of Colorado. He will be deeply missed by many.

Stan is survived by his brothers, Dennis and Rick Scheer; his five children, Cindy Allison McVay, Jim Allison, Stacey Laurent, Darin Scheer, and Cory Scheer; his 13 grandchildren, and a great-grand child.

Nothing would make Stan happier than knowing that, even in death, he continued to provide opportunities for students in need. Accordingly, in lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to either of the Student Opportunity Scholarships that have been established in his honor. <http://www.thompsonfef.org> <http://www.tinyurl.com/ScheerScholarship>

Celebration of Life Service, 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at Crossroads Church, Loveland will be live streamed at:

<https://vimeo.com/499819105>

The password to the video is: scheer.

Recording will start at 1:40 with Service beginning at 2:00 p.m.

# Events

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Crossroads Church  
5420 N. Taft Ave., Loveland, CO, US, 80538

# Comments

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“ Great leaders inspire those who they serve and encourage them to find their voice and discover how they may contribute and serve. Great leaders eat last. Great leaders build trust and forgive. Great leaders understand that to be a leader means to you are to serve those you are charged to lead. They come first - listen to their thoughts.

Great leaders also have great vision and are forward thinking. They open doors and are willing to question the status quo. They look for third alternatives.

Great leaders are willing to sacrifice. They freely give.

In the short time Stan served our school community, these are the attributes Stan embodied and installed in all of us who were part of his cabinet.

These are the qualities he inspired in me. I will forever carry them with me.

I loved Stan, and he will always be remembered.

**Guy J Romero** - January 13 at 02:02 PM

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“ I retired from Murrieta Valley Unified School district after 32 years and just before Stan was hired. I still felt like a Mother Hen about my district because when I came to Murrieta in 1971 there were only 500 people in town, 5 teachers, and one school. When I retired there were 15 schools. I made a point of going in to meet Stan and I immediately felt like we were friends. He told me about Marian and how alone she felt as she adjusted to being newbies in town. I called her and we made a lunch date right away. We were friends from the start. Unfortunately, she had some surgeries and health issues and we didn't get to see each other much. I've followed Stan on Facebook and considered them friends. When I heard about their passing, it touched my heart. I attended the memorial today and hung on every beautiful word. You have done a wonderful job of memorializing a beautiful partnership and while giving God the glory. Hallelujah! They are dancing at the feet of Jesus! I'll meet up with them there.

**Karen Robertson** - January 12 at 05:59 PM

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“ Stan got me started in education as my supervising teacher at Eastridge Elementary. He guided Glenda and I in our Sunday School Classes at First Baptist Church. I heard the story about the 3 home runs many times! Our condolences for your loss. Jim and Glenda Reynolds.

**James F Reynolds** - January 12 at 05:47 PM

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“ Dr. Scheer was the superintendent when I transitioned from teaching into administration in MVUSD. The support and genuine, genuine kindness he showed are what I remember most. Truly, kindness exuded from him. He was a true example of a servant leader.

Brent Coley

**Brent Coley** - January 12 at 05:41 PM

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“ Stan will always be remembered as a people person and a man with a huge heart for everyone he came in contact with. I loved all his stories and MacGyver solutions to fix things. I never felt as though Stan was my boss, but rather someone I worked with. I know I'm a better person for knowing and working with him:)

Love,  
The Picchiottino's

**Terry Picchiottino** - January 12 at 04:06 PM

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“ Meeting Stan for the first time was like meeting an old friend. When he came to Murrieta he made an immediate impact on our culture as a district and as people. As many people have mentioned he had a way of making you feel like you were the most important person he was talking to at the time. His ability to communicate with people regardless of age or generation was inspiring to me. I will be forever grateful to have worked with him and our many conversations that we shared. Stan leaves a legacy that we should all inspire to continue. Listen, learn, love, compassion, understanding, giving, and making a difference in peoples lives. Thank you Stan, you will be missed!!

Sheryl Alvarado  
Shivela Middle School

**Sheryl Alvarado** - January 12 at 12:36 PM

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“ Stan will always mean so much to our family. He was my husband 's Mentor and friend. He and Britt would talk about movies, golf, his kids and his love of Marion.. Britt would even get calls on the weekend to help him build things. When Britt passed away, I will never forget the kindness shown to our family from the Murietta district. Stan was a Leader of Leaders. His love of students and education was evident of the relationships he built. He had such a great love for his wife and family. I am sure Britt and Stan had a lot to catch up on, and only pray that they have met up. I will always remember stopping by their house to say good bye as they were packing up for Colorado. I even went to visit him at his new district. He told me every time he would come back to California he would stop by and see his friend.. the plaque of my husband at Murietta Mesa... I have so many more fond and generous stories of Stan... Heaven just got even better with Stan and Marion.. my love goes out to the whole Scheer family.. Nancy Rees

**Nancy Rees** - January 12 at 01:44 AM

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“ The first time meeting Dr. Scheer was very shortly after he began as superintendent at Murrieta Valley USD. We were honoring a beloved teacher who was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident. Stan's care for our well being and wanting to be of support to us was so evident as the staff was grieving the loss of a colleague. From there forward, Stan (he never required you to address him as Dr. Scheer) would always inquire about you as a person and your family before any "business" was to take place. Stan will be remembered as kind, gentle, very knowledgeable of how to lead a district and well respected man throughout our community. May you rest in peace and know your and served well and job well done.  
Erika Bennett

Erika Bennett - January 11 at 07:52 PM

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“ Stan contributed greatly to the fabric of Murrieta. He was not only an inspiration to students, but to parents as well. I am one of those parents. He was a kind, caring and nurturing friend. Stan always had time to meet with me in my darkest hours as I struggled with parenting a child with an addiction problem and through my separation and divorce. Through this I was fortunate to form a bond with him and will forever be grateful and indebted. Oh yeah, we discussed local policies, too. But our connection was much more than that. As I said, through tears, at his final MVUSD Board meeting:  
"...goodbye is too good a word, babe  
so I just say fare thee well..." Until we meet again.  
My best wish is now that you're in Heaven that you're able to realize the impression you left on me and I trust so many others.

With love and respect,

Kassen Klein

Kassen Klein - January 11 at 07:49 PM

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“ I remember our first meeting with Stan when he became MVUSD superintendent. He struck me as sincere, straightforward, kind, and inspirational. He deeply cared about our students, staff, and community. If a parent in the district lobby needed help and Stan happened to walk by, he would give the parent all his attention and, if need be, would walk him all the way back to the transportation department. He had a tremendous impact on me as a leader and taught me about authenticity and humility. He was easy to talk to and always brought wisdom and a global view into the conversation. When he spoke about Marian or his sons, you could see his face light up with love, joy and pride.

Zhanna Preston

Zhanna Preston - January 11 at 05:28 PM

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“ As a teacher and parents in the MVUSD, I was always impressed with Dr. Scheer's commitment to our students. EVERY event my children were involved in, Dr. Scheer was there. I don't know how he did it! He was (and still is) an inspiration!  
Stacy Allen

Stacy Allen - January 11 at 04:50 PM

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“ Mr. Scheer, was a genuine good person, the number of times he visited our school and I had the opportunity to speak with Stan, he spoke to me like a close friend.  
Sincerely  
gbonilla  
DMMS 8th Grade Math MVUSD

Gustavo Bonilla - January 11 at 03:58 PM

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“ Stan had an indelible impact on me as an educator and a man. There are too many impacts to mention, but one that stands out was how open and inclusive he was. Stan was welcoming to all and wanted to hear every perspective.

My favorite memory was when Stan and I got to spend a day at Disneyland together in the spring of 2012. The Disney team was showing off all their student leadership programs, but we snuck off and rode roller coasters instead!!! Photo attached of us on California Screamin'.

Thank you, Stan, I will forever be grateful for your impact on me.



**Mike Marble** - January 11 at 03:19 PM

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“ Sincere condolences to the families of both Stan and Marian Scheer. Weldon Borgaard, Friend and Colleague in Cheyenne, WY schools.

**Weldon Borgaard** - January 10 at 03:24 PM

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“ I loved playing golf with Stan. I always was amazed at his distance and accuracy. I especially remember the day he brought Marian in the golf cart and how much she enjoyed watching “her” Stan! They were good people who will be missed.

**Joe Ahern** - January 10 at 12:32 PM

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“ Stan was a wonderful superintendent for Thompson School District. He always kept the focus on the students, implementing many programs for their benefit. He attended many of the photography exhibits of the students in the photography program, led by my husband, Bob Campagna. Stan often purchased student art at these exhibits, which furthered the program, and encouraged and delighted the students. I worked in the district for 20 years and served on committees with Stan. He was always personable and knowledgeable. He was a leader who put action behind his words. Stan put a huge mark on the Loveland and Berthoud communities. He will be truly missed.

**Susan Hoyler** - January 10 at 09:19 AM

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“ Dr. Scheer was a fierce advocate of my work as an independent educator with the students of the Thompson School District. He always supported the photography exhibits my students held. He also was personable, accessible, and fair-minded. It was always a joy to see him. He made such a positive impact in our community as a whole, and education in specific. We can talk all the accolades and titles, but he simply was a good human being. My condolences to his extended family and friends.

**Robert L Campagna** - January 10 at 09:17 AM

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“ Stan Scheer was a great man! His legacy in education and making a difference in the lives of young people will forever continue in the hearts of those in our community of Loveland. Many thanks to him and his dedication to all of us! The world is better because of The Scheer's! With our sincerest wishes, prayers, and peace.  
The Robertson Family of Loveland  
Mike, Jera, Joshua, MaRynne, and MiKayla Robertson



**Jera Robertson** - January 08 at 08:49 PM