



Howard Lee Shenk

November 2, 1942 - March 21, 2026

Casper, Wyoming

Friends in Casper remember Howard Lee Shenk, who died on March 21, 2026 at 83. Born on November 2, 1942 and raised among Slovak-American manners that never needed a speech. Early on, he decided that a paycheck and a handshake should weigh the same.

He led a line that smelled of piecework and care. A peeler lead apron clip labeled twice rebuilt more trust than memos. Colleagues still mention a peeler lead apron clip labeled twice.

He and Irene married in 1969 and raised two daughters without needing an audience. After Irene's death in 2019, he held to quiet habits-coffee before dawn, a tended yard, a voice on the phone that still checked in.

Neighbors remember snow shoveled past the corner that was not required. He preferred the hour before a town fully wakes. Casper was home enough that he never rehearsed an introduction. The calendar still has a circle on payday.

What remains is not a legend but a practice: showing up, keeping a promise, leaving a place better than you found it. His life was the kind America is built from and too often forgets to name.

Services

A quiet remembrance in Casper. Those who wish may give to a neighborhood library, food pantry, or workers' aid fund instead of flowers.

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