

## **Bio Sheet:**

Rev. Dale L. Schaefer

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DOB May 2, 1944 Salem, Ohio

1962 Graduated Salem Senior High School

1966 Graduated Ohio Northern University (BA)  
Married Grace (Ginger) Gabriel in October 1966

1967 Joined the United States Army, went to Officer Candidate School,  
commissioned 2nd Lt. May 1968. Son Michael born in 1969 at Ft. Lee, Va

1970 -1978 returned to Salem, Ohio became an independent insurance  
agent with The Young and Merrill Insurance Agency. Daughter Robin born  
in 1972 and daughter Katie born in 1978

1978-82 Attended Trinity Lutheran Seminary, graduated with M-Div  
(Master's of Divinity) degree in 1982  
+ 1981-90 redeveloped a Mission congregation in Pickerington, Ohio  
+ 1990-91 served as director of Camp Mowana in Mansfield, Ohio  
+ 1991-97 served as Senior Pastor of First Lutheran Church in Mansfield  
+ 1997-2012 served as Senior Pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in  
Bowling Green, Ohio

Since retiring, I have served two interims; St. Paul New Rochester, Ohio  
2013-15 and Covenant Lutheran in St. Paris 2016-2020

Throughout my life, my wife Ginger has been a faithful partner, mother, and  
friend, serving the Lord through her vocation as a Social Worker and her  
avocation of faithful servant of God. All three of our children are married  
and we delight in our 9 grandchildren.

Early in life I developed a love for automobiles, and through the years have  
restored a few, raced a few, and am currently building a Nostalgia Gasser  
(1965 Barracuda) to hopefully take drag racing by next year.