

My friendship with Glenn began with my own involvement with the Naperville Unit Education Association. I first became active with the NUEA in 1981 and I can recall meetings held at NNHS where Glenn's legislative expertise ruled the day! We all know that public education is just that: "public" and the legislature often weighs in with various proposals. It was Glenn who made sure the interests of students, parents and teachers were heard in Springfield as State Representative. Our school districts are better off today because of Glenn's efforts on our behalf.

We all know that civic engagement is crucial to the continued success of our democratic form of government and Glenn absolutely led by example in this area. His students were often present at various community meetings and so were his teacher colleagues...all because Glenn said to go! And, he was right! Many of the students who sat in his classroom or colleagues who worked beside him in the District have gone to become political leaders in this community!

Glenn's legacy lives on in the activism and community engagement he inspired in so many of us.

Dianne McGuire

March 20, 2019

I am writing in support of an honorary street sign on behalf of Glenn Schneider.

I have known Glenn for many years. Although I currently live in Boulder, Colorado I lived in Naperville for over 50 years, moving in December of 2017 in retirement to be nearer a daughter and her family. During my years in Naperville I served three terms on the Naperville School District 203 Board of Education including being President for many of those years, I have also served on the Naperville Plan Commission and then two terms as a City Councilman for the City of Naperville. During my time on the District 203 School Board I knew Glenn as a teacher at North High School. I believe he was recognized as a respected and dedicated teacher serving the district for 32 years. When I became a Councilman for the City of Naperville Glenn was already serving on the Council. I found him to be a conscientious member who did his homework and always came to meetings prepared. He was interested in what was best for all of Naperville and was a force in Council decisions. Glenn served in the legislature of the State of Illinois for many years and then also served as a lobbyist for Naperville. Through his years of service in all these different areas, Glenn has had a significant impact in shaping the Naperville that we are so proud of today. I believe it would be very appropriate to honor his memory with a street sign.

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Naperville City Council  
West Avenue at Eagle Street  
Naperville, IL 60540

To Whom It May Concern:

J. Glenn Schneider was a member of the Illinois General Assembly from 1971 to 1983. He received awards for supporting environmental legislation from the League of Conservation Voters and the United States E. P. A. He also received several awards from the Independent Voters of Illinois which indicated that he had his own mind as opposed to being a straight party-line legislator. He was the principal engineer in getting Bill Redmond of Itasca elected as Speaker of the Illinois House in 1975. Glenn is one of the few people who ever out-guessed Mayor Richard J. Daley of Chicago who backed another candidate for Speaker that year. Bill Redmond is known as one of the most fair-minded speakers in the history of the Illinois Legislature. Glenn was named Chairman of the Education Committee. Terry Stezco, another member of the Illinois Legislature, said at Glenn's funeral that any student who feels they received a good education in an Illinois public school owes a special debt to Glenn Schneider because of the work for Illinois students he accomplished as Chair of the Education Committee.

Sincerely yours,  
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I lived in Naperville from summer 1965 to winter 2017, was a staff member at Naperville Central High School, formerly Naperville Community High School, for forty years, thirty-one as an English teacher and nine as Dean of Students. I retired in June 2005. I was heavily involved in Glenn's campaigns for the State Legislature and the Naperville City Council.



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To Whom It May Concern:

Glenn Schneider was a member of the Naperville City Council for eight years, two four-year terms. As a close friend, I know that he felt one of his greatest accomplishments as a council member was the passage of the Historic District ordinance which encompassed one of the older sections of town that surrounds the area of North Central College: from Center Street on the west to Huffman Street on the east; from North Avenue on the north to Highland Avenue on the south. This ordinance required that builders and contractors follow rules that would maintain the vintage character of this neighborhood. The law has been in existence for about fifteen years and has worked to everybody's benefit, especially for the attractiveness of this historic neighborhood. Glenn was also proud of the fact that he was a consistent watch-dog for the tax payers of the City of Naperville. He did this sometimes at the expense of angering his own friends. When the city decided to not only encourage people to recycle but to actually become a part of the solution by instituting curb pick-up of home-recycling material, he disappointed many old friends who had initiated home recycling decades earlier and whom he had whole-heartedly supported, by voting for the commercial carrier because it was more economical.

Sincerely yours,

Sandi Mueller  
Naperville Resident