



William Werba

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William “Bill” Werba, 82, of Oshkosh, went to be with the Lord on Monday, November 2, 2020. He was born in Poland on July 15, 1938 and married the love of his life, Margaret “Midge” Stein, at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Oshkosh on April 15, 1961.

Bill is survived by his daughter Gretchen (Adrian) Wanek, Green Bay; sons Charles (Amy) Werba, Oshkosh and Joseph (Bridget) Werba, Mesa, AZ; eight grandchildren – Erin Noe, Austin Noe, Kayla (Kevin) Laedtke, Courtney (fiance’ Lonnie) Wanek, Virginia Werba, Margaret (fiance’ Michael) Werba, Veronica Werba and Skye Werba; four great-grandchildren – Kira, Kaedence, Karsyn and Noelle. He is further survived by in-laws Tom (Mary) Stein, Mark (Cyndy) Stein, Dorothy Shafiee, and Katy Werba, along with many nieces and nephews, and special friend Peggy Buelow. Bill was preceded in death by his wife, Midge; brother Adolph Werba; sisters Adele Hegg and Mary Turner; in-laws Joe Shafiee, Dennis Turner and Stanley Hegg.

Bill was employed for many years by Medalist Industries and the 1st National Bank. With support and encouragement from his wife Midge, he started his own business, Bill Werba & Sons Remodeling. He worked alongside his son, Chuck, and truly was a jack-of-all-trades. Bill was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and the Oshkosh Power Boat Club where he eventually became Commodore. Bill was a loyal family man through and through! Providing for his family and ensuring their safety and well-being was of utmost importance to him. His children called him “Pops” and his nieces and nephews lovingly called him “Uncle Bull.” Bill was exceptionally proud of his family and bragged to anyone that would listen; no one was a stranger to him! He was known to all as a jokester and a very caring man. Bill loved to be around others, often teasing and sharing jokes from his favorite spot, the center of attention.

In lieu of funeral services, a celebration of life will be held next spring. In the meantime, please share your memories, photos and stories so we can once again put Bill in the spotlight. In the words of our pops, “LOVE YOU, BYE”



Tribute Wall

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Mark Hernes posted:

Uncle Bill had no equal when it came to slinging BS. As we remember him, there will be tons of stories and tons of laughs. But from my perspective, that only tells part of his story. I knew his true heart the first time I showed up at his house. I was just a punk who was dating his niece but from the minute I walked in his door he welcomed me and treated me like family. That never changed. Of all his gifts, that's the one that I'll miss the most. Rest in peace "Uncle Bull." And go to hell COVID.

November 6 at 6:51 AM



Joe November 27 at 4:43 PM

Thank you Rex!



Margaret Werba shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

A few birthday and Christmas memories with grandpa. I love the picture of dad with grandma and grandpa too because they look so young!! Ginny and I loved trying to trick grandpa out of his recliner so that we could sit in it - it rarely worked but was such a fun game! I'll always remember Christmas Eve mass with grandpa because they would sing silent night in German and he always claimed he just "had something in his eye", not that he was crying ;) grandpa made me so proud of our heritage! We love you!



November 5 at 5:22 AM



Joe November 27 at 4:44 PM

Thank you Maggie! ❤️



Beth Stanton posted:

I am very sorry for the loss of your pops. I remember sitting and watching movies with Bill and Chuck in the big living room and Bill's sense of humor and smile that was always there.

November 5 at 6:59 AM



Joe November 27 at 4:44 PM

Thank you Beth!



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SM

Stacy Meyer posted:

The Werbas were part of a HUGE group of friends that my family was also part of. The Werbas were such nice people. I'm sorry for your loss Joe, Chuck and Gretchen.

November 5 at 6:37 AM

JO

Joe November 27 at 4:45 PM

Thank you Stacy, those were good times. My parents LOVED that time of life.

GW

Gretchen Wanek shared an album called **Memories Album**.



November 5 at 5:23 AM

GW

Gretchen Wanek posted:

Dad came over from Germany as a 12 year old boy. Growing up, he was always told that America's streets were paved of gold. When he arrived on the boat that brought him here, he was VERY disappointed to not see these gold streets, not knowing that that was just a figure of speech!

November 5 at 5:22 AM



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Margaret Werba shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

November 5 at 8:37 AM





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Gretchen Wanek shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring William by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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