



David Robert Mertig

September 22, 1940 - December 18, 2017

David Robert Mertig

age 77, of Butternut, died on Monday December 18, 2017 at Flambeau Hospital in Park Falls. He was born on September 22, 1940 in Park Falls, the son of Harold and Jeanette (Beil) Mertig. David graduated from the Glidden High School in 1958 and then entered the United States Army and served during the Vietnam War. On August 12, 1967 he married Jeannie Barker. David was a logger and worked on the E.L.F. Site in Clam Lake before working for the Village of Butternut where he worked his way up to Superintendent until his retirement. He was a member of the Butternut American Legion Post, the Butternut Park Association and enjoyed hunting, fishing, and playing sports. His favorite sport/passion was playing and watching baseball. He played and coached with the Upper 13 Baseball League for many years. The baseball field in Butternut was dedicated to him, named Mertig Field, for his long standing commitment to Butternut baseball and the park association. One of his great passions and love in life was watching and cheering his beloved grandchildren in all of their sporting events.

He is survived by:

his wife Jeannie of Butternut

(3)children:

Roxie McClay of Butternut

Roberta (Michael) Scanlon of Park Falls

Randy (Angela) Mertig of Butternut

His longtime friend who became like a son and family member Rod (Valerie)

Holden of Nekoosa

(6)grandchildren:

Andrew (Jenna) Mertig

Michael (Marcie) Mertig

Jared Case

Jeanna Scanlon

Sadie (Ethan) Holden

Tristin (Jessica) Holden

many step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren

(2)sisters:

Arlene (Bill)Tank of Glidden

Lois Bougard of Renton, Washington

and many nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of life memorial service will be held on Saturday May 19, 2019 at 11:00am at Butternut Area Park/Mertig Field. Rev. John A. Deitz will officiate. A visitation will take place from 10:00am until the hour of the service at the Park.

The Novitzke Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Butternut Area Park/Mertig Field
Butternut, WI

Celebration of Life

MAY 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

Butternut Area Park/Mertig Field
Butternut, WI

Tribute Wall



“ *David Robert Mertig*

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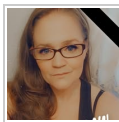
“ *One of the greatest man I have ever known. He will be greatly missed.*

Mary Younh - December 20, 2017 at 11:25 PM



“ *Dave was a kind and loving man with a heart of gold. I appreciate knowing him and that he was a role model for my children. May God Bless.*

Barb Hogue - December 20, 2017 at 04:51 PM



*He certainly was...
My prayers and condolences to your family*

Tamara Gunderson - December 20, 2017 at 11:25 PM



A friend and I were discussing legendary baseball players the other day and I said that no one was more legendary in the Upper 13 League than Dave Mertig. I remember playing against him in the late '60's and early '70's. He was a great hitter.

Carlo Kumpula - December 21, 2017 at 08:39 AM