



## Norman Otto Dupke

May 13, 1941 - December 9, 2025

Norman Otto Dupke

age 84, of Park Falls, passed away on December 9, 2025.

Norman was born on May 13, 1941, in Merrill, Wisconsin, to Otto and Agnes (Johnson) Dupke. He grew up in Gleason and graduated from High School in Merrill before continuing his education at Mid-State Technical College, earning an associate degree in accounting. Norman proudly served two years in the United States Army, including time stationed in New Orleans.

On June 21, 1969, Norman married the love of his life, Margaret Schafer, in Clintonville, Wisconsin. They made their home together beginning in 1969, building a life rooted in family, hard work, and simple joys. Margaret preceded him in death in 1985.

Norman worked as an accountant in the family telephone company. Outside of work, he was known for being an avid outdoorsman. Whether fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, or enjoying time in nature, he found peace and contentment in the Northwoods. He shared his love of waterskiing with his children and grandchildren and served as the official boat driver as he taught the kids how to ski. He also enjoyed bowling and curling, and he treasured spending time with his children and grandchildren, who were a great source of pride and joy throughout his life. After he retired, he moved to Pike Lake where he embraced the local community. He was an active member of the Sno Drovers snowmobile club, a founding member of the Pike Lake Chain Lakes

Association, and a proud supporter of Pike Like Fire and Rescue.

He is survived by his daughters, Melissa (Mary) Dupke-Bourgeois of Park Falls and Andrea (Keith) Rohde of Shiocton; five grandchildren: Matthew (Ellen) Veleke, Alexis (AJ) Voskuil, Jacob Veleke, Maggie (Gavin) Rohde, and Molly Rohde; as well as many nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

Norman was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret; his parents, Otto and Agnes; his mother and father-in-law, Sis and Forest Schafer; his sister, Carol Donner; and other loved ones.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00am on Monday, December 15, 2025 at Birch Street Funeral Service Chapel in Park Falls. Retired Pastor Mike Ida will officiate.

Burial will take place at Greenleaf Cemetery in Marion in the spring.

Visitation will be held from 10:00am until the hour of the service on Monday, December 15, 2025 at the funeral home.

Norman will be remembered as a quiet, steady presence who loved the outdoors, loved his family deeply, and lived a good, honest life. His sense of humor was subtle and spontaneous, and he brought smiles to everyone around him. He will be dearly missed.

Birch Street Funeral Service is assisting the family.

[www.birchstreetfuneralservice.com](http://www.birchstreetfuneralservice.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Birch Street Funeral Service  
350 Birch Street  
Park Falls, WI 54552  
(715) 762-3287  
birchstreetfuneralservice@outlook.com  
<https://www.birchstreetfuneralservice.com>

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

RC

“ Our sympathies to Norman's family, especially at this usually joyous time of year. May the Redeemer whose birth we celebrate be near to you to comfort you with His sure promise of resurrection and life.  
~ The Pastor & people of Christus Lutheran Church, Clintonville, WI

Rev. Brian Crocker - December 15, 2025 at 10:07 AM

PA

“ Pamela A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Norman Otto Dupke.

Pamela A. - December 15, 2025 at 09:41 AM

AD

“ Alan D. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Norman Otto Dupke.

Alan D. - December 14, 2025 at 10:57 PM



“ Southern Magnolia Tree was purchased for the family of Norman Otto Dupke.



December 14, 2025 at 10:12 AM

FF

“ Freeman family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Norman Otto Dupke.

Freeman family - December 14, 2025 at 10:12 AM

JF

“ Jeff & Terry Kubitz Family purchased the Lord's Prayer 44" Sonnet for the family of Norman Otto Dupke.



Jeff & Terry Kubitz Family - December 12, 2025 at 02:23 PM

JF

“ Jeff & Terry Kubitz Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Norman Otto Dupke.

Jeff & Terry Kubitz Family - December 12, 2025 at 02:23 PM

DS

“ The senior meal people are going to miss Norman. We enjoyed sharing stories about pike lake. RIP friend

David Schmidt - December 11, 2025 at 06:22 PM

CR

“ Melissa and Andrea,  
We were so sorry to hear about your dad. Our hearts go out to you and your families.  
With sympathy,  
Don and Carla Rahn

Carla Rahn - December 11, 2025 at 05:33 PM

M.

“ Michael . planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Norman Otto Dupke.

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Michael . - December 11, 2025 at 02:47 PM