



## Robert "Bob" K. Gustafson

December 10, 1948 - June 14, 2023

Robert "Bob" K. Gustafson, age 74, of Park Falls, passed away surrounded by his loving family on June 14, 2023. He was born on December 10, 1948 in Park Falls to Charles and Helen (Schmidt) Gustafson. Bob was raised on the family farm, attended St. Anthony's Catholic School and graduated from Lincoln Senior High School in 1968. He went on to attend Madison Area Technical College, graduating with a degree in welding. He then returned to Park Falls and married the love of his life, Barbara Gelina on November 28, 1970. Bob took over the family farm and worked in construction and welding for a time before retiring from his maintenance career at Park Falls School District. He held many different positions throughout the years including welding instructor for North Central Technical College, Town of Lake Chairman for 3 terms, and served on the Park Falls School Board for 12 years. Bob was a very active man who loved the outdoors, woodworking, and sports. Most of all, he loved spending time with his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Barb Gustafson of Park Falls, his children; Robert Gustafson (Jenni) of Park Falls, Timothy (Heather) Gustafson of West Salem, WI, Melissa (Jake) Herbst of Hudson, WI, and Christine (Tom) Hamill of Windsor, WI, (6)grandchildren; Jonathon Gustafson, Emily Gustafson, Jaxen Herbst, Maximus Herbst, Kenley Hamill, Landon Hamill, (2)siblings; Dorothy Drout of Onalaska, WI, and Charles (Marilyn) Gustafson of Park Falls, and by many nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother-in-law Ron Drout, and many uncles and cousins.

A memorial Mass will be held at 11:00am on Friday June 23, 2023 at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Park Falls. Fr. Shaji Pazukkathara will officiate, assisted by Deacon Chet Ball.

A visitation will be held from 10:00am until the hour of the service on Friday, June 23, 2023 at the church.

Birch Street Funeral Service is assisting the family.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Anthony's Catholic Church  
276 5th Ave South  
Park Falls, WI 54552

## Memorial Mass

JUN **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St Anthony's Catholic Church  
276 S 5th Ave  
Park Falls, WI 54552-1143  
(715) 762-4494

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert "Bob" K. Gustafson*

October 05, 2023 at 02:07 PM

DJ

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Gustafson family. Dave and I worked with Bob at the elementary school. A down to earth, hard working individual, filled with kindness and love for his family and friends. We will cherish our conversations and memories. May God be with you during this difficult time and always.*

*Diane and Dave Johnson*

Diane and Dave Johnson - June 19, 2023 at 12:14 PM

JO

“ *Sorry to hear that Bob has passed. I always looked forward to visiting with him in the spring and summer while doing the crops on your farm. He was always there to help when I needed something. My thoughts and prayers are with you*

Jon Ocker - June 19, 2023 at 07:32 AM

SS

“ *Barb, I'm sorry to hear about Bob. We went to school together all the way thru high school, he was a good man. I so enjoyed the time with him when several of us met several time getting things lined up for our class reunion 5 years ago. Good talks. He will be missed.*

Sue Seidl - June 18, 2023 at 06:28 PM

BL

“ *Brett Larson lit a candle in memory of Robert "Bob" K. Gustafson*



Brett Larson - June 17, 2023 at 07:27 AM