



## Robert "Bob" R. Peterson

February 3, 1953 - June 3, 2026

Robert Raymond "Bob" Peterson

age 73, of Butternut, Wisconsin, passed away on June 3, 2026, at MMC-Park Falls.

Bob was born on February 3, 1953, in Butternut, the son of William and Ida Elaine (Smart) Peterson. He grew up in the Butternut area, attended local schools, and remained deeply connected to the community throughout his life.

On April 8, 1978, Bob married his best friend, Diane Furtak, in Butternut. Together they built a life centered on family, hard work, and caring for others. Their marriage was blessed with two children and later grandchildren who became the pride and joy of his life.

Bob spent many years working as a general laborer, including employment at the local paper mill and with Steuber Beverage for thirteen years. He was known as a witty, hardworking man who was always willing to lend a hand to anyone in need. Above all, he was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend.

An avid outdoorsman, Bob enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and spending time in nature. He followed local high school sports, coached Little League, enjoyed reading, and treasured every opportunity to spend time with his grandsons. Whether sharing stories, offering advice, or simply enjoying a quiet

day outdoors, Bob found happiness in the company of family and friends, especially his four-legged friend, Lavi.

Bob is survived by his loving wife, Diane Peterson; his two children, Jennifer (Kent) Kunding and Frank Peterson; his grandsons, Adam (Rayn Johnson) and Mitchel; his siblings, Dennis (Judy) Peterson, Jim Peterson, Joanie Walker, Becky Peterson, and Bruce (Heidi) Peterson, Kim Buechner; sisters-in-law Rebecca Masterson-Furtak, Carrie Peterson, and Debbie Peterson; as well as many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Ida Elaine Peterson; and by his brothers, Eugene, Bill, and Brad Peterson.

Bob will be remembered for his quick wit, generous spirit, strong work ethic, and the love he shared with those around him. His presence will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Memorial service will be held at 11:00am on Saturday, June 13, 2026, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Butternut. Rev. John Deitz will officiate.

Visitation will be held at the church prior to the service from 10:00am until 11:00am

Birch Street Funeral Service is assisting the family.

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# Upcoming Events

## Visitation

JUN **13**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
301 West Main Street  
Butternut, WI 54514

## Memorial Service

JUN **13**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Bob you will be missed from all of my family.  
You were so good with my grandsons at deer  
season. My boys thought a lot of him.*



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