



## David Alan Freimark

July 24, 1958 - July 9, 2025

David Alan Freimark, age 66, of Neenah, passed away unexpectedly at ThedaCare-Appleton on Tuesday, July 9, 2025.

He was born on July 24, 1958, in Berlin, the son of Betty (Tetzlaff) and Victor Freimark.

Dave was confirmed and a graduate of St. John Lutheran Church and School and a 1976 Berlin High School Graduate. In high school he excelled as a drummer and played drums in the band Crossroader. He went on to graduate from Moraine Park Technical Institute with a degree in Mechanical Design.

He met Becky Berndt in 1981 and later married in Las Vegas on May 30, 2007. They shared 44 wonderful years together.

Dave's entire working career was at Oshkosh Truck as an Design Engineer for the Defense Group where he enjoyed over forty years of dedication to the company.

He was an avid student of Wisconsin brewery history and a collector since High School. He accumulated an extensive collection and knowledge from local breweries such as Berlin, Ripon, Princeton, Westfield, Fox Lake, Oshkosh and others. He spent much of his free time attending auctions, going

to antique shows and shops, attending brewery collector conventions and traveling always on the lookout for that one “great piece”.

Dave is survived by his wife, Becky Freimark; Mother, Betty Freimark; brother, Dan (Heidi) Freimark; Sisters-in-law, Shari Berndt, Jennifer (Daniel) Smith, Amy (Brian) Winkler; nieces and nephews, Abbey Freimark and Jacob Freimark, Makayla Smith, Kaine Grunwald, P.J. Berndt, John Raider and Caleb Smith; cousins, Don (Robin) Tetzlaff, Jayne Wilkins, Pamela Walter and Sheldon Walter; his constant furry companions, Lizzy and Tillie.

He was preceded in death by his father, Victor Freimark, mother and father-in-law, Peggy and Thomas Berndt; brother-in law, Jim Raider; grandparents, and uncles and aunts.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 26. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home  
116 S Adams Ave  
Berlin, WI 54923  
(920) 361-2050

## Service

JUL 26. 12:00 PM (CT)

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116 S Adams Ave  
Berlin, WI 54923  
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## Celebration of Life

JUL 26. 12:30 PM (CT)

Berlin Lanes  
119 N. Pear Street  
Berlin, WI 54923

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of David Alan Freimark*



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**Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home** - July 22, 2025 at 08:03 PM

SG

*Beautifully done* ✓

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**Sue Gerald** - July 23, 2025 at 10:26 AM

SR

“ *I was so sorry to hear that Dave passed away. Dave helped me start my Dahlke brewery collecting many years ago as well as my hometown of Montello and was also kind, helpful and shared so much knowledge of area breweries, collecting and hometown/area history! I will be forever grateful for having Dave grace his presence in my life! May God Bless you, his family, at your loss! Sam Robinson, Waunakee*

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**Sam Robinson** - September 08, 2025 at 01:17 PM

DR

“ *VERY NICE VIDIO. WILL MISS YOU DAVE AND ALL THE GOOD TIMES WE HAD AT BEER SHOWS, COVENTIONS, AUCTIONS AND FLEA MARKETS. SORRY WE COULD NOT MAKE THE SERVICES. THINKING OF YOU ALL. DEAN & KATHY REIN*

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**DEAN L REIN** - August 01, 2025 at 07:02 PM



“ 4 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home** - July 23, 2025 at 10:27 AM



“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



**Jerry Mathers** - July 22, 2025 at 11:28 PM



“ 252 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home** - July 22, 2025 at 07:38 PM

BB

“ Even though I haven’t seen Dave in almost 40 years I was saddened to hear of his passing. Condolences to his wife who I’ve not met, Betty, Dan & Heidi and the extended family. He was the “cool older brother” when I was growing up. Funny and down to earth. Passed to soon I’m sorry for your loss.

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**Bill Bush** - July 19, 2025 at 08:08 PM

PB

“ Uncle Dave was someone who truly was one of a kind in the best way. We connected through our mutual love of percussion and drums which only fueled the love and interest I already had in the instrument. I played percussion as my instrument of choice throughout my school career and now into my adulthood because of him. I have other fond memories of driving around the upper peninsula of Michigan to look for rummage sales while listening to ABBA and the many days where uncle Dave would come home from an auction and let us nephews and nieces pick some items from his haul. My heart will always be full knowing I had the honor to experience those memories with him and I will cherish them forever. Thank you uncle Dave, I will carry your passion of drumming with me every time I pick up the sticks

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**P.J. Berndt** - July 17, 2025 at 03:49 PM

CP

“ My husband, Don, and I both worked with Dave for many years at Oshkosh Corp.. He was a nice guy. We enjoyed conversations with him. Our sympathy to you and your family.

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**Carol Parshall** - July 16, 2025 at 09:05 PM

JM

“ Dave was a man of many interests and talents, from drumming/percussion to cars, music and 3D computer-based manufacturing design. An expert in collecting/trading memorabilia. We hung out a lot together in high school and later got together whenever we could. Dave was best man at our wedding in the late 80s. So sorry to hear of his unexpected passing and our deepest sympathies to his family and friends. Jerry and Annette Mathers

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**Jeremy Mathers** - July 16, 2025 at 10:57 AM

JM

“ Jerry and Annette Mathers purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of David Alan Freimark.



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**Jerry and Annette Mathers** - July 16, 2025 at 10:34 AM

MW

“ Dave and Dan were instrumental in teaching me the value of history, specifically local history. Dave explained the history of brewerys in not just Berlin but every small town in Wisconsin. The three of us would get up at 3:00 a.m. to drive to Cedarburg Wisconsin for their huge flea markets. Dave and Dan both taught me the art of making the "deal" to bring home those precious treasures. In many ways they created my passion for collecting and for the camaraderie that comes with it! Many great memories of collecting road trips across the State. Many more stories - but Dave - Thank you for lighting the passion for collecting in me! I will miss you - God's Speed!!

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**Michael Witte** - July 10, 2025 at 06:42 PM

ER

“ *David was a great guy and a tough negotiator. I'll miss him. My condolences to his family and friends.* ”

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**Erik** - July 10, 2025 at 03:34 PM

RB

“ *Worked with Dave and loved his humor. Especially his word play and puns.* ”

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**Richard Bast** - July 10, 2025 at 12:39 PM