



Jerry G. McQuown

July 21, 1930 - November 3, 2015

Jerry McQuown, age 85, passed away with family members at his side at his home in Berlin on Tuesday, November 3, following a courageous battle with lung cancer. He was the last survivor of 11 children born to Jim and Lola McQuown.

Jerry was born in Havelock, Nebraska on July 21, 1930. He married Barbara Stumpf of Waupun on June 18, 60 years ago. Growing up in Nebraska, he learned to play golf on courses with sand greens` and carried his love of that sport to Berlin years later as a longtime member of Mascoutin Golf Club. In 1947, he and his brother and their mother moved from Nebraska to Mayville, Wisconsin where his half-sister, Mary and her husband, Conrad Langenhorst, Sr. offered him a job opportunity with the rendering plant. Jerry finished high school in Mayville, graduating in 1948, and then worked for Langenhorst until 1951 when he was drafted. He ended up in Korea with the 160th Regiment, 40th Division as a truck driver. He was later in charge of supplying petroleum, oil, and lubricants for all the units in the 40th Division.

In his off time he played on the unit's volleyball team that competed throughout the country, winning a tournament and reaching the finals for the Far East Command title. After returning to the States, he went back to his truck driving job at the rendering plant. When a new plant was built in Berlin in 1955, Jerry and Larry Langenhorst were sent there as co-managers. After a few years, Jerry sold his shares and took different jobs before returning to the rendering plant where he retired in 1992. The next year the plant

manager Ken Cross asked him to come back and set up a safety program which he operated for 14 years. Jerry officially retired in 2008.

He served as basketball coach for 7th and 8th grade boys at St. Joseph's School in Berlin for six years, during which time he was able to coach his own boys. As a member of Mascoutin, he originated and ran the Old Timers Golf Outing for 16 years, enticing many senior golfers from outside the area to play at Mascoutin. His caricature is among those on the Wall of Honor at Mascoutin.

Jerry wrote a "Puttin' Around" column for the Berlin Journal, served on the Board of Appeals, was active in the Jaycees, and volunteered for Meals on Wheels. Jerry; loved to tease his friends and his infectious laugh caused others to share in his enjoyment. He always marveled at the many coincidences in his life from his time in Nebraska to his later years in Berlin.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara, and three children: Randy (Karen) of Berlin, Sheri Rossow of Oshkosh, and Rick (friend Aleisha) of Brookfield; Grandchildren Marleigh (Gary) Toddish, Levon, Misty, and Katie Schrage, Tim Lovejoy, Katie Rossow, Connor, and Liam McQuown. Preceding him in death were one son, Timothy Peter, his siblings and his parents.

Graveside services with full military honors offered by the Berlin VFW Wells-Krause Post 2925 will be held at Oakwood Cemetery on Friday, November 13, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. with Father David Greenfield officiating.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

Berlin, WI 54923

Previous Events

Service

NOV **14**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jerry G. McQuown.*



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