



Lawrence "Larry" Langenhorst

July 9, 1931 - March 8, 2019

Lawrence Joseph (Leader) Langenhorst, age 87, passed away peacefully and entered eternal life on Friday March 8, 2019 at the Brown County Nursing Home.

He was born on July 9, 1931 in Lincoln, NE, to August and Mary (Pruitt) Leader, the oldest of two children. In 1943 Larry moved to Mayville, Wisconsin with his mother and step-father Conrad Langenhorst along with his new brothers and sisters of the Langenhorst family. It was during his time at Mayville High School that he met a lovely lady by the name of Shirley Arndt who would become his wife on July 12, 1952.

After graduation from High School in 1949, Larry enlisted in the Navy and had assignments stateside, in the Mediterranean, and most notably in the Panama Canal Zone where he and Shirley who was also a nurse in Panama had their first son Michael. Shortly thereafter, Larry's enlistment ended, and he returned to Wisconsin settling in Berlin where he and Shirley had two more sons, Jeffrey, and Brian.

At the time of returning to Berlin Larry became involved in the family rendering business and physically built the Berlin Rendering plant from the ground up. Larry continued in the management of the Berlin operation his entire career beginning with the family ownership, transitioning to the ownership by Nick Beucher and Sons of Chicago, IL. and later becoming the District Manager for National By-Products. Larry along with his brothers also expanded the original operation to include Circle 5 Farms, Circle 5 Feeds, and the Berlin Landfill.

One of the joys of Larry's life was to also be a strong member and contributor to the National Renderers Association where he held all the offices of Area V as well as a member of the National Board of Directors for many years where lifelong friendships were established and many travel memories made.

Larry also found time to give back to the church and the community. He was a longtime member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Berlin and served on the School Board, Board of Trustees, Board of Elders and was also the project manager for the building of the current church. Larry also loved to sing and was a member of the church choir and was also the soloist for many funerals singing the "Lord's Prayer".

Larry was a member of the Berlin Rotary Club and Berlin Jaycee's and was awarded the "Man of the Year" award in 1966. He also served on the Berlin City Council as an alderman for many years and was very instrumental in the success of the Berlin Hospital serving on it's Board for many years. Larry was also a bleacher bum spending many hours watching his sons play sports.

Upon his retirement in 1990 Larry and Shirley continued their travel adventures with their motorhome and also visited many foreign countries until Shirley's untimely passing in 1994.

Larry was one of the lucky one's and was able to find another love in his life and married Laura Richards in 1996. The two of them continued to travel throughout the world and also spent time with the most important people in their lives, their families.

Larry also loved his time at the Cabin, also known as he "August Leader Lodge". To him, this was a place where friends and family made many memories.

Larry is survived by his wife, Laura; sons, Michael (Marlene) Langenhorst, Sturgeon Bay, Jeffrey (Janice) Langenhorst, Green Bay, and Brian (Jodi) Langenhorst, LaCrosse; stepson, Mark (Sally) Sanders; Oshkosh; stepdaughter, Sharon Sanders, Oshkosh; grandchildren, Erica (Tyler) Thomas, Erin (John) Hollister, Amber (Jeremy) Young, Jason (Hallie) Langenhorst, Nick and Lauren Langenhorst; stepgrandchildren, Kyle and

Kevin Grahn, Tara (Rick) Schiessl, Clint (Erin) Sanders; great-grandchildren, Jake, Madeline, Isabela Thomas, Sophia and Brianna Hollister, Cody, Andrew and Natalie Young, Benjamin and Sam Langenhorst; step great-grandchildren, Evan and Jack Schiessl, Colin Sanders; stepmother, Martha Leader; sisters, Mary Ann Leader, Margaret (George) Wheeler; brother, Conrad (Ruth) Langenhorst; brother-in-law, Steven Stortz.

Larry was preceded in death by his wife Shirley; his father and mother; stepfather; and brothers, Vernon, Herman; and sister, Charlotte.

Thank you to the staff of Brown County Nursing Home for the loving care of our Dad.

Memorials will be donated to St. John's Lutheran Church in Berlin.

"The three most important things to me are My Lord, My Family and My Friends. Please celebrate my life in eternity

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

Berlin, WI 54923

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

MAR 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church
168 Mound Street
Berlin, WI 54923
<http://www.stjohnberlin.org>

Funeral Service

MAR 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church
168 Mound Street
Berlin, WI 54923
<http://www.stjohnberlin.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lawrence "Larry" Langenhorst*



Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home - March 15, 2019 at 11:07 AM

MW

This tribute is absolutely perfect. Such a joy to see all these events when our brother enjoyed his family. Thank you for sharing these incredible pictures. Sending our love. Marg and George

Margaret Wheeler - March 16, 2019 at 02:23 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Lawrence "Larry" Langenhorst.*



March 18, 2019 at 11:15 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes*



Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home - March 17, 2019 at 08:00 PM

CK

“ 2 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Cary Kodras - March 16, 2019 at 05:43 PM

MW

“ *Such a smile and a hearty laugh, that was our brother. So happy that he's feeling great and looking good now that he's with God. We'll be right there with all of you during the services. Wish we lived closer.*

Aunt Marg and Uncle George

Margaret Wheeler - March 16, 2019 at 02:21 PM

AM

“ *Aunt Marg, Uncle George, Wendy and Mike purchased the Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket for the family of Lawrence "Larry" Langenhorst.*



Aunt Marg, Uncle George, Wendy and Mike - March 16, 2019 at 02:15 PM

PR

“ *Paul and Barbara Reed purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Lawrence "Larry" Langenhorst.*



Paul and Barbara Reed - March 15, 2019 at 11:01 AM

CJ

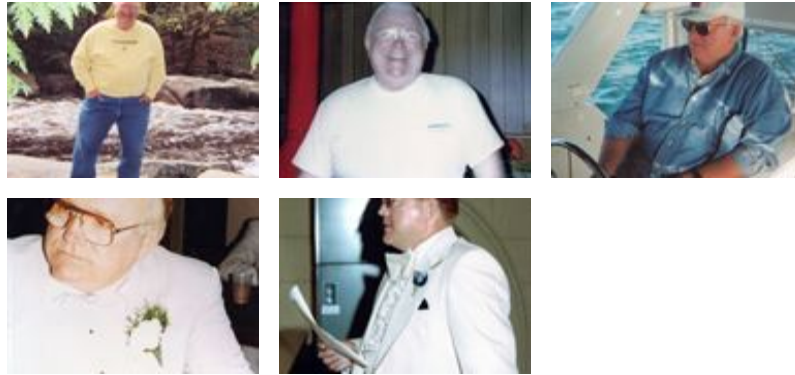
“ *Cherry and Bart Starr, Elaena and Bart Starr, Jr. purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Lawrence "Larry" Langenhorst.*



Cherry and Bart Starr, Elaena and Bart Starr, Jr. - March 15, 2019 at 10:34 AM



“ *71 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home - March 15, 2019 at 10:03 AM

FT

“ *From All the Tarpley's purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Lawrence "Larry" Langenhorst.*



From All the Tarpley's - March 13, 2019 at 05:47 PM

JK

“ Mark and I are so sorry to hear of your father passing Mike. Our hope is you can feel blessed for all the years you did have with him, and the memories you have made together. Our thoughts are with you, and prayers for you and your family.

Mark & Julie Kasper

julie kasper - March 13, 2019 at 11:50 AM

BS

“ I am so sorry Laura for your loss.



Barbara E Schroeder - March 13, 2019 at 03:47 AM

CM

“ To Larry's Family, Our christian sympathy to you all. I have so many memories of our families growing up together at school as well as spending special celebrations with each others families May the Lord give you all comfort in knowing that Larry is with his loving Savior and Shirley in heaven. He will be celebrating the Glorious Easter Sunday singing the wonderful hymns with the angels. Our prayers of comfort are with you.

Craig and Vivian Mittelstaedt

Craig & Vivian Mittelstaedt - March 12, 2019 at 10:58 PM

JL

Thank you so much for your kind words and prayers, it means so much to our family. Our families shared many fun times together throughout the years that will never be forgotten.

Jeff Langenhorst - March 14, 2019 at 11:58 AM

LM

“ I remember Larry singing Sunrise, Sunset with my husband at Brian and Jodi's wedding. Blessed be his memory. Lonnie Miller

lonnie miller - March 11, 2019 at 07:58 PM

TG

rest in peace uncle Larry. godspeed

tom greene - March 16, 2019 at 07:04 PM