



## Raymond John Soda

November 15, 1938 - January 14, 2021

Raymond John Soda, 82, of Berlin, Town of Seneca died unexpectedly at his home on January 14, 2021.

He was born on November 15, 1938 in Princeton to Joseph and Magdalene (Maggie) Soda.

Ray grew up on the family farm in Princeton and had 13 brothers and sisters. He attended Princeton High School.

On November 9, 1957 he was united in marriage to Joan Yagler at St. Michael's Church in Berlin.

Ray had many jobs throughout his life, but when he found trucking that became his passion. He enjoyed the freedom that truck driving brought and the many friends he met along the way. He was a very dedicated employee up until retirement.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and spending time with his family. His garden was planted with care, not a weed in sight and planted to perfection. He shared his harvest with everyone. He was an avid bird watcher and kept his many bird feeders full. A few of his favorite pastimes were watching wrestling, Packers, Brewers, NASCAR, and old time western movies. He liked to play cards, especially a good game of sheepshead. He treasured time spent with his friends and the comradery that came along with it.

Ray was a member of All Saints Catholic Parish of Berlin.

He is survived by his five children, Rick Soda of Berlin, Doug Soda of Oceanside CA, Dan (Tina) Soda of Berlin, Tim Soda of Berlin and Ann

Hoepfner (Tom) of Fond du Lac; grandchildren, Hunter (Kasi), Emma, Doug Jr (Kim), Desiree, Brittany (Luke), Nicki, Sarah (Jake), Zachary, Al, and Andrew; great-grandchildren Leshad, Dramon, Nova, Sammy, Deegan, Audrey. He is further survived by his brother, Ernie (Sandy) Soda; sisters, Angie Chikowski, Helen Kautzer, Mary (George) Korleski, Jo Ann Szweda, Delores (Phil) Hoopman, and Sharon (Kenny) Przybyl; and many other siblings, relatives and many friends.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Magdalene Soda; wife, Joan and daughter-in-law Simona.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at All Saints Catholic Parish of Berlin with Father David Greenfield officiating. Burial will follow the service at St. Michael's Catholic cemetery of Berlin.

Family and friends may visit with the family and pay their respects to Ray on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 from 8:00 a.m. until 9:45 a.m. at the Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home of Berlin.

Family and friends are reminded of the CDC's Covid-19 guidelines for funerals. Masks are required for both the church and funeral home, please respect social distancing, and please sit with family members only.

Also in compliance with federal guidelines, there will be no luncheon or fellowship following services.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery

Berlin, WI 54923

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **26**. 8:00 AM - 9:45 AM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

JAN **26**. 10:00 AM (CT)

All Saints Catholic Parish  
N8566 WI-49  
Berlin, WI 54923  
(920) 361-5252

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Raymond John Soda*



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**Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home** - January 23, 2021 at 09:45 PM

JP

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*

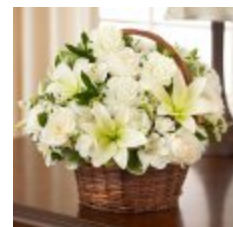


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**Jodi Popp** - January 25, 2021 at 10:21 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Raymond John Soda.*

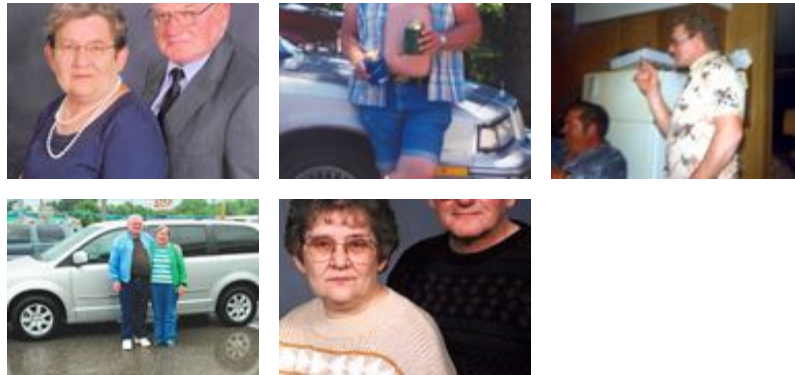


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January 25, 2021 at 11:06 AM



“ 123 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



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**Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home** - January 23, 2021 at 09:39 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. Even though I haven't seen him in years I will always remember his caring personality. His Father Joe & our Dad, Sylvester were brothers.  
May he rest in peace.  
Sincere condolences  
Anne (Coda) Zamzow  
John Coda

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**Anne Zamzow** - January 23, 2021 at 10:51 AM

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“ Ralph Meyer lit a candle in memory of  
Raymond John Soda



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**Ralph Meyer** - January 19, 2021 at 12:59 PM



“ *Springtime Wishes was purchased for the family of Raymond John Soda.*



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January 19, 2021 at 10:10 AM



“ *I remember when Ray and Mrs. Soda would come out to country Inn and he would pick on me but he was one of the nicest people I have ever known. I just loved the both of them. I haven't seen them in years but think of both of them when ever I drive by there house. Mrs. Soda you and your family have my dearest sympathy. My best Regards. Millie Neubauer.*

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**Millie Neubauer** - January 18, 2021 at 09:44 PM