



Wayne "Bucky" Wesner

March 27, 1953 - March 20, 2025

On March 20th, 2025, Wayne "Bucky" Wesner, age 71 entered the eternal Kingdom of Heaven. He was hugged tightly by Jesus and reunited with his father (Lewis) and mother (Marge), brother (Ronnie) and sister (Janice). His soul was at peace and his health restored.

Buck was born on March 27, 1953. He grew up in Borth, WI. Buck met the love of his life, Laurie Stefan at his father and mother's bar. Buck instantly fell in love and married Laurie on September 29, 1979. Buck and Laurie took over the family business in 1982.

Buck and Laurie decided to have two wonderful children, Stacy and Andy "Spud". They sold the bar in Borth in 1993 and briefly owned a supper club in Princeton. They eventually went back to what Buck did best and owned Bucky's Bar in Berlin since 1997.

Buck was an incredible athlete in his prime. He played on many softball and hardball teams and was considered by many as one of the best. That reputation followed him. Anytime there was a pool game, the common phrase you would hear was "I'll take Buck as partner!" Buck didn't lose too many pool games! He really enjoyed fishing and hunting as well. Buck would get so damn excited when his tip-up went up, we would literally have to get out of his way or get run over by him. He wanted to ensure his children had great deer stands to hunt in the next ten years and spent countless hours completing them this winter.

Buck was truly the life of the party. He not only left lasting impressions on his

friends, but he also left impressions on complete strangers that only met him once. Buck will always be remembered for providing exceptional customer service and running a successful business for 45 years!

Many customers only stopped in for one beer but heard the phrase, “final, final.” Four hours later, and ten extra sharps, they finally left! Buck was truly a genius in business and made his customers feel valued. He appreciated the years of support from every single customer.

Finally, Buck loved his family. He told his family how much he loved them and would miss them. Buck felt he was putting his family through so much and he could not bear to see his family suffer any more. He made the decision that he felt was best for the family he loved so very much.

Buck will always be remembered as a husband who loved his wife so much and protected and supported her for forty-five years. He loved his children and grandchildren dearly and loved to share his love with the outdoors with Paige and Chloe and would drop everything if they needed help or called.

Buck was a tough man but had a heart of gold. He will be remembered as a man that would literally help anyone out.

The last quote Buck said to his son was, “I love your mother and you kids so much! You have been so great to me; I can’t put you guys through this anymore. It will be easier for you to move on and not have to deal with this.”

One last act for him truly believing he was doing the best for his family.

“Final, Final, Final”

Buck is survived by the love of his life, Laurie; children, Stacy (Dave) Zietlow and Andy “Spud” Wesner; two beautiful grandchildren, Paige and Chloe Zietlow; siblings, Dawn Dowling, Randy (Karen) Wesner, John Barkovich, Lori (Kevin) Sternitske, Scott Wesner, Rick (Leanna) Stefan, Dorie (Doug) Bindrich, Randy (Kathy) Stefan; many nieces and nephews, and many friends. He joined his parents, Lewis and Marge Wesner; siblings, Janice Barkovich and Ronnie “Slick” Wesner; nephew Craig Wesner in eternal life.

A private family service will held, but a public gathering of friends and family will be held celebrating Bucky’s life on Saturday, May 3, 2025. The celebration

of life will be co-hosted at Bucky's Bar and the Berlin Lanes from noon to 6 p.m. at both locations.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 3. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Bucky's
115 W Huron St
Berlin, WI 54923

Tribute Wall



“ 305 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home - December 19, 2025 at 03:55 PM

SG

“ *U am so sorry to hear of Bucky's passing! My sister and I use to go to Wesners in Borth back in the day! Always had a blast with Bucky! I ran into him at water volleyball a few years ago and he came up to say hi- he actually remembered me! He was a great man! My condolences to Laurie and family!! 🙏🙏❤️ Sheila Gruber*

Sheila Gruber - April 05, 2025 at 01:43 PM

BB

“ *Laurie and family, so sorry for your loss. I saw the obituary in the paper and wanted to let you know I was thinking of you. Barb Fehring Behlen WB/GL*

Barb Fehring Behlen - March 29, 2025 at 07:35 PM

LB

“ We are truly sorry for your loss. During this incredibly difficult time, please know that our thoughts are with you. We all will be left with many fond memories. Ken, Janice Nigbor and family.



Lori R Bustamante - March 29, 2025 at 02:27 PM

LW

“ I will love you forever ! You were my life ! Thank you for all you did for our family! You always put us first! You were the best father, grandfather mostly the best husband ! We were a great team ! I will love u forever! My heart is so broken ! Thank you for a great life ! It I had to do it all over I would do it all the same ! Until we meet again ! Love u 😊

Laurie Wesner - March 28, 2025 at 11:29 PM



Laurie, Stacy, Andy, and family, we, the De Pew family, are so sorry for your loss. I had the privilege of being your baby sitter and I have such fond memories of everyone.

We are keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers. With Love,
Roxanne De Pew

Roxanne De Pew - April 01, 2025 at 03:31 PM

JD

Bucky You truely were a awesome man will never forget the Thursday Nights at Buckys. You and Laurie always friendly. You will certainly missed by us and many many more. Rest in Peace good friend.

Joan Darnick Dehaven - April 13, 2025 at 06:05 AM

BK

“ Our sympathy to the Wesner family. Bucky was one hell of an athlete and family man. He will be missed by all. RIP



Brian and Lisa Kasubaski - March 26, 2025 at 09:32 PM

KS

“ Laurie & family- He will be missed! We had a lot of good memories over many, many years of friendship! You will have many memories to get you through. May God Bless you and hold you in his arms. Love, Beno & Kathy (Katrina).

Kathleen Scherz - March 26, 2025 at 03:26 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wayne "Bucky" Wesner.



March 26, 2025 at 08:55 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wayne "Bucky" Wesner.

March 26, 2025 at 08:55 AM

JZ

“ Bucky was one of a kind and will be greatly missed. Condolences to the entire family.
Jackie and Les Zimmerman



Jackie Zimmerman - March 25, 2025 at 10:53 PM

WN

“ ILL NEVER FORGET WHOS NAME IS ON THE BUILDING

William R Neubauer - March 25, 2025 at 10:15 PM

WL

“ Had the privilege of selling Bucky and his family products from General Beverage and Lee Beverage. Always looked forward to stopping at his places. He was always great to deal with. My condolences for your family's loss.

William Lenz - March 25, 2025 at 09:42 PM

DV

“ Sorry for your loss...



Donna/John Viertel - March 25, 2025 at 05:40 PM

RM

“ Our sympathy to Lauire and family. Bucky will be missed. Wonderful and fun guy to have around. God Bless.

Rich, Mary Jo Mlodzik - March 25, 2025 at 05:08 PM

EP

“ Condolences to his family. Bucky was a great guy, and will be missed by many. Rest in Peace Bucky.

Ed Pyrcioch, Princeton - March 25, 2025 at 04:02 PM

JB

“ Sorry for your loss Spud. Bucky will be missed.



Jim B - March 25, 2025 at 03:27 PM

SF

“ Sarah and Tony Foster purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Wayne "Bucky" Wesner.



Sarah and Tony Foster - March 25, 2025 at 02:58 PM

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Sarah and Tony Foster - March 25, 2025 at 02:58 PM

JZ

“ Bucky was one of a kind and will forever be remembered. Sincere condolences to you all.

Jackie & Les Zimmerman - March 25, 2025 at 01:03 PM

SL

“ Good friend Good man many memories of playing baseball for Poygan Irish & numerous pool games Our condolences to the Wesner family. May God Bless

Steven & Alana Lenz - March 25, 2025 at 11:23 AM

MF

“ Bucky had a special gift of making people feel welcome and happy to be at every business he ran. Places to take a break from all of life's issues and relax and smile. If I had a nickel for every time I feel for that "Final, Final, Final" well, I'd have a lot of nickels. Sure gonna miss him.

Michael Fox - March 25, 2025 at 11:19 AM

SL

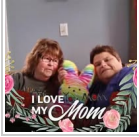
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Steven & Alana Lenz - March 25, 2025 at 11:16 AM

PG

“ To the Wesner Family. Bucky was not only a friend ,he was there went it counted .Whether it was work or play he was always ready to play. We will miss him but we will not forget him. Laurie, Stacy, Andy. Iam only a stone throw away. If you need a hand. Paul G Youngbauer

Paul GYoungbauer - March 25, 2025 at 07:11 AM



“ I'm going to miss Bucky he was
Funny & Sweet.
My thoughts and prayers are with you Laurie,
Stacy and Andy.
Love, Deena Paulsen Krueger 🕯️



Deena Paulsen Krueger - March 24, 2025 at 09:29 PM



“ Michael and Sandra Eagen lit a candle in
memory of Wayne Wesner



Michael and Sandra Eagen - March 24, 2025 at 08:19 PM



“ Our sympathy to the Wesner family. Bucky
was a wonderful person. Friend to all who
knew him. God's speed 🙏



Steve and Debby Parker - March 24, 2025 at 04:33 PM



“ I worked along side BUCKY when he and Laurie owned their supper
club in Princeton . What an honor it was, BUCKY always bought the
1st round. I'd like to tell you Laurie, how much you were loved.
Bless you and the kids. Lynn

Lynn Buchen - March 24, 2025 at 04:31 PM

CB

“ *Prayer to the family and rest in peace my dear classmate God's speed!!!*



christine beck - March 24, 2025 at 04:01 PM

CC

“ *Our dear, dear friend who has left a big hole in our hearts, but not our memories. Hoping God brings you comfort and peace in knowing how much he has touched all of our live. Love to Laurie, Stacy, Andy, and the rest of the family.*

Carol Carchesi - March 24, 2025 at 02:01 PM

GL

“ *gloria larsen lit a candle in memory of Wayne Wesner*



gloria larsen - March 23, 2025 at 01:05 PM

KF

“ *Bucky was like family to everyone he was a kind caring person so many great memories with him and Lori I am glad I got the opportunity to meet the family Prayers and hugs are sent to each and everyone of you Gods Blessings may his loving arms surround you with comfort lean on God he is there for you Please stay strong for each other Love for all with great saddness kelly forbes RIP big man my friend*

Kelly M Forbes - March 23, 2025 at 10:18 AM

KF

“ Kelly M Forbes lit a candle in memory of Wayne Wesner



Kelly M Forbes - March 23, 2025 at 10:07 AM

DM

“ My sympathies to Laurie, Andy, Stacey and Family. May your Memories help to ease the loss of Bucky. He will surely be missed by many. Gods Peace. Debbie Zimmerman Moser

Debbie Zimmerman Moser - March 23, 2025 at 09:43 AM

RG

“ Ron Glenn lit a candle in memory of Wayne Wesner



Ron Glenn - March 22, 2025 at 08:23 PM

PL

“ To the whole Wesner family my deepest condolences. Bucky was a friend to all. He maybe gone but his spirit lives on. Rest in peace Bucky.

Pamela Lind - March 22, 2025 at 05:29 PM

CK

“ *To a Wesner I knew just 'cause I knew the whole family - after all, they were Borth with Mom and Dad Louie and Marge. Thoughts go out to all of you. Charlie Kolpin*

Charlie Kolpin - March 22, 2025 at 02:18 PM