



Bruce I. Powers

October 19, 1943 - January 3, 2013

Dodgeville – Bruce I. Powers, age 69, died at his home in Dodgeville on January 3, 2013 after being paralyzed from an accident in November. His wife, Mary and their faithful dog, Maggie were by his side.

Bruce was born on October 19, 1943 to Earl and Evelyn Powers in Madison and attended Madison schools while growing up. He served several years in the U.S. Army before returning to Madison. He married Lavina Mainwaring and together they raised 5 sons.

On June 27, 2009, Bruce married Mary A. Knutson, of Dodgeville and together they had many fond memories of gardening in the back yard, visiting local greenhouses and enjoying friends at the local Senior Center.

Bruce was well known for helping fellow members of AA and was always willing to talk to anyone in need. He was a member for over 25 years and believed in the program and how it helped others.

Bruce is survived by his wife Mary Knutson; his sons Clint (Mary Jo) Mainwaring, of Rio, Clem (Shelly) Mainwaring, of Steuben, Dusty Mainwaring, of Mt. Horeb, Reed (Linda) Powers, of Poynette and Dean Powers, of Spring Green; 9 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren. He is further survived by Mary's family, Kimberly (Howard) Haugstad and sons and Keri (Chris) Radtke

and sons. Other survivors include his sister Lorella (Tom) Bidwell, his brother Brian Powers and his brothers-in-law Fritz Cox and Jon (Vicki) Cox.

Bruce will be missed by friends at church and AA, the Senior Center in Dodgeville and especially by his wife and special dog, Maggie. Even at the end, Maggie kept checking on him and waited for a pat on the head along with a treat. He had a very special friend, Dan Franks that was always there for him and made many phone calls and visits to him during his last weeks that were so much appreciated. Also helping in time of need were his neighbors, Jim and Michael Zoet and Scott Carey. What would we have done without our friends and neighbors?

Bruce will be cremated according to his wishes. His ashes will be spread in the back yard under the arbor where he will wait for Mary to join him.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 12, 2013 at the GORGEN-McGINLEY & AYERS FUNERAL HOME in Dodgeville with Pastor Leanne Rose officiating. Visitation will be held from 12:00 p.m. until time of services.

"The road has been long and the journey has been hard, but what lies ahead is worth the wait."

Tribute Wall



“ *Bruce I. Powers*

November 15, 2022 at 06:49 AM



“ *I will so miss you Bruce
-the hugs and well wishing
-being my Brother-- a very special place
_your encouragements
_the interest in your plants
_the green housing we all did
_Your wedding and the joy you both had
_How you loved my sister-Thank you
_the fun we had when you visited
_the sharing you did so well
_even the challenges you set forth-helped us all grow*

Because of you, my Brother, we are a closer family. You did your job well

Fritz

Fritz Cox - April 28, 2018 at 02:28 AM



“ *I will miss spending time with you and Mary, our conversations, getting your views on the world. Also, the road trips, the meals we had together and learning about coins. Above the rest, I will miss the giggles we all shared. You will surely be missed and I am grateful to have had the opportunity to know you.*

Zona Schaumberg - April 28, 2018 at 02:28 AM

JT

“ I will always remember how happy Mary was when she told me she had met someone..that someone was Bruce. I don't know if I ever thanked Bruce for making my friend so happy, but I am sure he knows. My prayers and thoughts to Mary & family as you walk through these first days, and then the beautiful memories will walk with you.

God Bless
Judy

Judy Thomas - April 28, 2018 at 02:28 AM

CH

“ My Memories

My memories-
The Green Bay Packers, you're a die hard fan.
Greenery and flowers, a green thumb kind of man.

My memories-
A grin then a giggle and a large warm smile.
Your high pitch laugh could be heard for miles.

My memories-
Buttons, cars, and coins just a few collections.
Love, devotion, and affection.

My memories-
You fought the ailments the best you could.
And now you look down on us, like I knew you would.

Love you Grandpa,

Cassie

Cassie Hubanks - April 28, 2018 at 02:28 AM

TC

“ I met Bruce about 5 years ago doing some favors for a friend. Bruce was a very nice person and friend. He will be missed by myself and others around him. It was an honor to have been able to know him for the short time we were acquainted. I will miss his wit and charm. Tom Cloutier

Tom Cloutier - April 28, 2018 at 02:28 AM

SL

“ Mary and family. I was so happy when you and Bruce met and then married. I could tell that you two were very happy together. I wish you could have had more time together here on earth, but you will have forever in heaven.
My prayers are with you
Love
Santee

Sandra Lindholm - April 28, 2018 at 02:28 AM

LB

“ Memories of card playing with our Dad and Aunt Jean. Lunches at Old Country Buffet, you with a dinner plate of chocolate volcano cake. mmm. Childhood memories at Grandma's and playing tag, etc. with our many cousins. How proud you were to be Godfather to my two daughters Jennifer & Karen; and me Godmother to your sons Reed & Dean. Rest in peace!!jU5dl

Lorella Bidwell - April 28, 2018 at 02:28 AM

MH

“*Mary--Wishing you comfort, peace and strength in this sad time for you. The loving care you showed Bruce in his final days, was a tribute to the love you shared, and something truly beautiful to witness. May you take comfort in the sure and certain knowledge that he is now in the loving embrace of our Lord. With heartfelt sympathy to you and your family.*

Martha (Schaaf) Hoeger - April 28, 2018 at 02:28 AM

KT

“*Dear Mary and family, I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of your husband Bruce. You are in my thoughts and prayers at this time. I wish I were closer to be of a little more personal help to you and yours. God bless and thinking of you. Kris F. Tompkins*

Kristine Fitzsimmons Tompkins - April 28, 2018 at 02:28 AM

DK

“*Mary, sorry for your loss, you are in my thoughts...*

Debbie Kieffer - April 28, 2018 at 02:28 AM