



## Keith Bowers

December 4, 1934 - December 28, 2020

Dodgeville – Keith Bowers, age 86, of Dodgeville, passed away on Monday, December 28, 2020 at the Grant Regional Health Center with his boys by his side.

Keith was born on December 4, 1934 in Dodgeville to Melvin and Elinor (Richards) Bowers. He graduated from Montfort High School in 1952. After high school, he went to the service for two years. He was stationed in Germany after the Korean War. Keith then returned home and started selling potato chips. Little did he know, chips would be his job for the next 35 years. He first started working for Red Dot Potato Chips, which was then bought out by Frito Lay. He retired in 1990 from Frito Lay. Keith also owned the old Red Room Bar for nine years. Keith volunteered on the Dodgeville Fire Department for 28 years. He created many special friendships in the department, and enjoyed playing cards. Keith also was very proud to be part of the American Legion. He loved the Veterans programs, walking in the parades, and taking part in the honor's flight. Many will also remember Keith for his special hobby that truly became his lifetime passion, coin collecting. He would travel daily bank to bank in search of the best coins. Keith's biggest accomplishment was his three boys; Brad, Brian and Mitch. He coached all three in softball, showed them the love of hunting and the outdoors. He also showed them the love of dogs, especially black labs.

Keith is survived by his three boys Brad, Brian and Mitch (Tricia Whitford); his eight grandchildren Jess (Eli) Ellison, Andy, Ethan, Kacie (Chris) Rose, Cody, Madison, McKenna and Elin. Keith also has five great grandchildren.

Keith is preceded in death by his parents, Melvin and Elinor, an infant brother, his older brother Royce, and his favorite dog Nikki.

A Public Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. on Monday, January 4, 2021 at the GORGEN-McGINLEY & AYERS FUNERAL HOME in Dodgeville, where masks and social distancing is required. Private family service will follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Dodgeville Fire Department and the Dodgeville American Legion.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

Gorgen-McGinley & Ayers Funeral Home  
400 East Grace Street  
Dodgeville, WI 53533  
(608) 935-5222  
gorgenfh@mhtc.net

# Tribute Wall



“ *Keith Bowers*

November 15, 2022 at 06:49 AM



“ *Hi Brad, Brian & Mitch,  
Sorry about your Dad & that I was unable to see you in person,  
  
I have fond memories of Keith & Frito Lay dating back to the all of  
our "Piggly Wiggly: days, including my Mom in that bunch!*

*My sympathy to all of you.*

*Carla Wilcox Erickson*

**Carla Wilcox Erickson** - January 11, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ *Just discovered this notice. Our sincere condolences.*

*Jeff & Linda Martell*

**Jeff Martell** - January 07, 2021 at 07:37 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of Keith Bowers.*



January 04, 2021 at 09:19 AM

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“ We were all so fond of Keith and enjoyed the time we spent with him. He was a good man.

Katie Reuter - January 03, 2021 at 06:01 PM

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“ The volunteers, flight team and board of Badger Honor Flight mourn the loss of their hero, Keith Bowers. We are thankful for his military service and proud to have served him on his trip to Washington, D.C. on May 18, 2013.

Tammi Alexander, Badger Honor Flight - January 02, 2021 at 10:56 PM

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“ You have our deepest sympathy in the loss of your father

JT and Keely - January 01, 2021 at 05:58 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Keith Bowers.



December 31, 2020 at 11:04 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Keith Bowers.



December 30, 2020 at 05:49 PM