



David R. Witt

January 19, 1934 - August 11, 2023

David R. Witt, 89, of Fond du Lac, died on Friday, August 11, 2023, at St. Francis Home.

He was born on January 19, 1934, in Ripon, WI, the son of Rueben D. Witt I and Josephine A. (Schneider) Witt. Dave was a graduate of Ripon Senior High School, Class of 1952. On December 26, 1953, he married Carol Mae Goyette, at St. Patrick's Church, in Ripon.

Dave worked at Johnson Good Year, State of Wisconsin DMV, 37 years in the Electronics Division at Giddings and Lewis, Wisconsin State Auto Auction (Midstates), D&X Services Stations, Biddle Motors and Moraine Park Technical College. He was a member of the following organizations: Coast Guard Auxiliary, Fond du Lac Yacht Club, Fond du Lac Sailing Club, Fond du Lac Boating Club, Amateur Radio of Fond du Lac, Sports Car Club of America (SCCA), Fond du Lac Corvette Club, Mensa, Mustang Club, and Fond du Lac Elk's Club. He was a Boaters Safety Instructor, and was a flagman at the following tracks: Road America, Wilmont and Milwaukee. Dave's likes and interest were anything to do with sailing, traveling, bowling, reading, and most of all his family. He could fix anything, built a cabin, remodeled his and his children's homes. When asked "How are you doing dad?" He'd respond "FANTASTIC!"

He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Carol Mae Witt, his children: Teresa Mabee (Bob Rennock) of Fond du Lac, Judith Witt-Sanders (Rex Sanders) of California, Peter Witt (Dawn Gourlie-Witt) of Mayville, Rachelle Groves (Fred

Groves) of Texas, Kurt Witt (Jess Witt) of North Fond du Lac, Rueben D. Witt II (Wanda Witt) of Fond du Lac and Marty Witt (Andrea Witt) of Fond du Lac; patriarch of 12 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren, 4 step grandchildren, 10 step great-grandchildren, his brother Robert Witt of Ripon, brothers-in-law: James Goyette of Wautoma and Ronald Goyette of Fond du Lac; sisters-in-law: Ceil Janssen of Wauwatosa and Donna Stahoviak of Arizona; and several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his in-laws: Leo and Mae Goyette, sisters and brothers-in-law: Faye Witt, Margaret Winkels, Lee Goyette, Robert Goyette and Donald Goyette, along with aunts, uncles and cousins.

Special thanks to the staff of the St. Francis Home.

VISITATION: The family will greet friends from 10:00 – 12:00 PM, on Saturday, August 19, 2023, at Kurki Funeral Chapel & Crematory, 31 East Division Street, Fond du Lac. Cremation has taken place.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **19**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Kurki Funeral Chapel & Crematory

31 E. Division Street

Fond du Lac, WI 54935

(920) 921-4420

info@kurkifuneralchapel.com

<https://kurkifuneralchapel.com>

Tribute Wall

BS

“ *Dave was a colleague at G&L Electronics and fellow ham radio operator. He had a great sense of humor and was a pleasure to work with. My condolences and best wishes to his family.*
Bob Schmid, LaPorte, CO

Bob Schmid - August 22, 2023 at 09:24 PM

FG

“ *The first time I went to his house I thought they were crazy they kept snuggles in the closet
One time on the sail boat mom Carol offered me a coke I drank coke she gave me a grape shasta when Rachelle and I needed a place to stay he opened his house to me
I didn't have brothers or sister but at that time found out I had 4 brothers and 2 sister Dave must have done a good job because they all turned out fantastic I love them all just would like to say thank you and I love you*

Freddie Groves - August 18, 2023 at 10:13 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David R. Witt.*



August 17, 2023 at 08:16 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of David R. Witt.*



August 16, 2023 at 10:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David R. Witt.*



August 15, 2023 at 06:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David R. Witt.*



August 15, 2023 at 04:54 PM



“ *Sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Dave. He was a co-worker at Giddings & Lewis, and a fellow sailor, always cheerful and ready to lend a hand. I know he will be missed by a great number of people. May he rest in peace. Don Cayen*

Donald Cayen - August 15, 2023 at 02:00 PM

SM

“ Sue and Ken Maciejewski purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David R. Witt.



Sue and Ken Maciejewski - August 14, 2023 at 08:14 PM

SM

“ Sue and Ken Maciejewski planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David R. Witt.

Sue and Ken Maciejewski - August 14, 2023 at 08:14 PM

BK

“ My condolences to the Witt family on Dave's passing.

Former First Street neighbor Beep Korrer

Bill Korrer - August 14, 2023 at 03:32 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of David R. Witt.



August 14, 2023 at 12:48 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David R. Witt.

August 14, 2023 at 12:48 PM

BH

“ Dear Terry and family,
Denis and I send our deepest sympathy to you, your mom, and your entire family. Your dad was was of the good ones in this world, and we are thankful for his life. He left a wonderful legacy in all of you.
Love to all.
Denis and Barb Van Herwaarden

Barbara Van Herwaarden - August 14, 2023 at 12:38 PM

SM

“ Terri and family,
So sorry to hear of the passing of your dad. Just thinking of him brings back fond memories of sitting by the campfire under the stars in Door County. It doesn't get any better than that.
May your memories keep you warm.

Bob and Sandie Minor

sandra m minor - August 13, 2023 at 08:21 PM

DA

Mr. Witt was the first person from St. Francis to reach St. Peter via a trishaw. He was always so grateful for that opportunity. We always had interesting conversations while logging numerous miles in the trishaw from St. Francis. I will surely miss him. Dan

Dan - August 14, 2023 at 03:28 PM

MM

“ Our prayers go out to the family.

Michael & Susan Moore - August 13, 2023 at 09:11 AM

RR

“ *RIP Dave, great man with many accomplishments, together with your wife raised an amazing family. A life well lived..*

Bob Rennock

Robert Rennock - August 12, 2023 at 08:26 PM