



## Gary P. Wischnewski

October 27, 1947 - August 19, 2015

Gary Peter Wischnewski passed away peacefully, at the tender age of 67, in the loving embrace of his wife and children. He bravely fought gastric cancer for six years. Gary “Wisco” was born October 27, 1947, in Fond du Lac, the son of Ralph and Marie (nee Felda) Wischnewski. On February 13, 1971, he married Jo Ellen Thorpe at Salem Evangelical United Methodist Church of Fond du Lac. Gary graduated Goodrich Senior High School in 1965 and went on to earn his bachelor’s degree in political science at the University of Wisconsin–Oshkosh. His 40-plus-year career in banking and finance at Fox Valley Savings and National Exchange Bank & Trust led him to positively impact the lives of countless customers and especially his dear co-workers and friends. He dedicated countless hours to the betterment of the Fond du Lac-area community as a proud 40-year member of the Noon Optimist Club. He left the earth with a full spirit, heart and soul, as a lifelong member of Immanuel-Trinity Lutheran Church and dedicated follower of Jesus Christ. Gary’s indomitable spirit, compassionate character, and cherished memory live on in his wife, Jo; daughter, Marne (Dan) Stück; sons, Nathan and Ben (Colleen); grandsons, Jack and Brock Stück; brother, Jim (LouAnn); uncle, Robert; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Gary was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents. Visitation will be on Wednesday, August 19, 2015, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Immanuel-Trinity Lutheran Church, 20 Wisconsin American Drive, Fond du Lac. The funeral service will follow at 1:00 p.m. and will be officiated by Pastor Tom Meyer and Pastor

Susan Sheffer-Meyer. All family and friends are invited to attend a luncheon directly following the funeral service at Immanuel- Trinity, after which time the immediate family will attend a private entombment at Rienzi Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

RS

“ Gary: was my best friend growing up as kids on Vermont street. Kept that friendship all through school. Many good memories. Rest in peace--friend

Richard Swalby - September 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Jo and Family,Patty and I send our condolences. We are so sorry for your loss. May your family and friends be a comfort.In sympathy,

Ann Sonnenberg Galle - September 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ Jo and Family,So sorry for your loss.. May he be flying with the fellow angels and being held tight in gods arms. RIP Gary you will be missed dearly.

Angie Winke - August 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ So sorry for your loss.

Ann Sorgent - August 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ Jo and Family\_We are so sorry to hear of Gary's passing. We will cherish our neighborhood memories of him. He was such a kind and wonderful man.Out thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Tom - August 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ Jo and Family;May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow. Sorry we missed the wake, but we were out of town until early this PM and did not know until then.Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Ray** - August 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Jo & Family,Very saddened to hear of the passing of Gary.I have known Gary for several years & you couldn't ask for a kinder man to be a friend of. He would do anything for anyone, never complained about anything & was a gentleman to be around. He will be dearly missed by all. Thinking of you all in my thoughts & prayers.Jeff(Willie) Wilson

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**Jeff Wilson** - August 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Please accept our deepest sympathy in the loss of Gary. We were very saddened to hear of his death. Marne, you and your entire family are in our thoughts and prayers. Ron and Julie Hackenmiller

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**Julie and Ron Hackenmiller** - August 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Jo and family,I am so sorry for your loss. Gary was one of the nicest men I ever knew. Always so friendly and never avoided a great conversation. As hard as it is to lose such a wonderful man, know his suffering is done and he is with all those that went before us and was welcomed by our Lord with open arms. You are in my thoughts and prayers at this sad time in your life.

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**Claudia Beaster** - August 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Dear Jo and family, please accept our deepest sympathy. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. Marne, I know how close you were with your dad. Just know he is going to watch over all of you from Heaven. I enjoyed working with Gary at NEBAT. God bless you all.

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**ellie baierl** - August 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Jo Ellen and the family, We are very sorry to hear about Gary. He was one of the nicest people I ever knew! He was a friend in Luther League, softball, church council and the Optimists - always greating with a kind word and a smile! We were blessed to know him! So sorry for your loss! Jerry and Mary Kuhnz

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**Jerry and Mary Kuhnz** - August 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our prayers. I know first hand what a loving, giving and compassionate man Gary was. He lit up the room when he walked in. We will miss his smiling face at Camelot. Please know that we are here for you, Jo! We are your extended family, please know that.

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**Laura Beaudoin** - August 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ We were so sorry to hear the news..He was so very proud of his family!He will be truly missed by us all!He loved being a Little League coach, along with a great guy to talk golf with. We were certainly very lucky to know him.

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**Jeff and Cheryl Kuhnz** - August 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ It was with great sadness that we learned about your loss. Gary was a wonderful man and he will be missed by many. Please accept our deepest sympathy.

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**Bernie and Ute Buchmann** - August 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ So sorry for your loss. Gary was a great person. I will always remember his jovial smile and laughter. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Douglas Fraser** - August 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Jo, thinking and praying for you and your family.

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**Kathy and Winnie Fink** - August 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JZ

“ I am so sorry about the loss of Gary. He was a wonderful person with lots of gentle kinds feelings for everyone. His friendship meant alot. My prayers to the family at this time.

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**Joanne Zimmerman** - August 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ I am so sorry for your great loss. Gary was our hero with his courageous battle. I am so lucky to have this kind, gentle man as a dear friend.

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**Chris Carrollo** - August 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers with your whole family.

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**Dan and Amy Blaszczyk** - August 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Jo and family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. So sorry for your loss. Gary will be missed.

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**Al Mauch** - August 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VD

“ My deepest sympathies on the loss of a fantastic husband, father, grandfather and amazing friend to so many. Fond memories of volleyball, getting together and Gary's wonderful sense of humor. May God see you through your sorrow. I know Gary is enjoying his Mommy kisses in heaven. Love to all of you!

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**Vickie Davis** - August 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ DEar Jo and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Please know you will be in my prayers I know the Lord is close and will give you Pease and comfort. He fought a long and tough illness and now is at peace. You will see him in God's time. I am so sorry we lost family togetherness like when we where young. God Bless to all of you.  
Catherine Mingus

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August 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ I can still remember working with Gary at McDonalds' in 1964 - 65, We had a lot of fun and Gary was a really nice guy. Condolences to his family.

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**Bob Curran** - August 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ So sorry for your loss. Gary will be greatly missed by you & the whole community. Remember growing up with him, such a good guy. Our prayers are with you.

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**Ralph** - August 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Dear Jo and Family, I pray you and your family find the peace you need to get you through this time in your life. Words cannot express the sadness I feel after hearing of Gary's passing. Please know you are all in our thoughts and prayers and are surrounded by so many people to love you!!

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**Kelly Sheridan** - August 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dear Jo and family, We are so very sorry! May our Blessed Lord grant you peace and comfort during this most difficult time!

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**Mark and Sharon Steger** - August 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ so sorry for your loss

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**butch schaeve** - August 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ Sending my deepest sympathy.

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**Deb Teifke Ellis** - August 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ So sad to hear of your dads passing Nate. Hugs and strength sent to you and your family.

Sheri Krempien - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Nate, praying that God will comfort and give you and your family strength during your time of loss.

Angela Grimes - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ We were saddened to read the news this morning of our dear friend's passing. He was the best and our good Optimist member. Our prayers go out to you Jo & family, at this sad time.

Mary - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ I was saddened to hear the news of Gary's passing. Keeping your entire family in my thoughts as you celebrate his life and grieve his passing.

Katie Powers - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Jo and family-So sorry to hear of your great loss.If there is anything Bruce and I can do to help carry your burden of grief...we'll be here for you.

Bruce and Ann Bartelt - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ *I'm so sorry. My thoughts and prayers are with your wonderful family. Hugs to all of you!* ”

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**Katie Polakowski** - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ *Jo and family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. So sorry for your loss.* ”

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**Greg and Marlys Belden** - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Gary and his family...he was a great guy.* ”

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**Jack Anderson** - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ *Gary...you are already greatly missed by your golf buddy... we look forward to celebrating with Jo your life and so many fond memories...on the kitty. Gene and Pat* ”

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**Gene Klapperich** - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JZ

“ *Gary P. Wischnewski* ”

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**Joanne Zimmerman** - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ *Jo and family very sorry for your loss God has a new angel. He will always be watching and be proud of all of you.* ”

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**Penny Jorgenson** - August 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Gary was an amazing person, the kindest person around. Jo, Marne, Nate and Ben please know we love you guys and are here for you. Rest in peace Gary, be free from your pain. All our love.

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**Ashley and Matt Manthey** - August 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM