



Gordon V. Rock Jr.

July 28, 1945 - August 31, 2025

Gordon V. Rock Jr., 80, of North Fond du Lac, formerly of Taylor Ridge, IL, died on Sunday, August 31, 2025, at Hospice Home of Hope.

He was born on July 28, 1945, the son of Gordon and Marjorie Carlone Rock Sr. He was a graduate of Horace Mann High School, Class of 1963. After graduation, he enlisted in the Army Reserves (Company E, 2D Battalion, 3D Regiment) and completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. On May 18, 1968, he married Linda M. Kurth at Presentation Church in North Fond du Lac. She preceded him in death on October 16, 2016.

Gordon spent his career working for the railroad, as a switchman and later conductor starting with: Northwestern, then Soo Line, and ending with CP Rail; retiring after over 40 years. In 1987, Gordon was awarded the Sheriff and Deputy Association Heroism Award for saving a 16-year-old girls life after her bicycle was stuck on the train track. In his spare time, he enjoyed sports, including golfing, bowling, and participating on championship softball teams. He treasured his grandchildren and attended their various activities.

He is survived by his children: Dale (Sara) Rock of Fond du Lac, Coral Rock of North Fond du Lac, and Rebecca (Bradley) Bigford of Andalusia, IL; his grandchildren: Taylor (Allexis) Hoaglin, Sydney Scola, Bree "Breezy" Rock, Brady and Blake Bigford; his great grandson Grayson Hoaglin, his sister Carole Stettbacher, his sisters-in-law Mary Werner and Doreen Rock, his brother-in-law Robert (Dorothy) Kurth, his godson/nephew Todd Stettbacher. He is further survived by his nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his wife, his brother Michael Rock, and brother-in-law Gordon Stettbacher.

VISITATION: The family will greet friends and relatives from 3:00 – 6:00 PM on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at Kurki Funeral Chapel & Crematory, 31 East Division Street, Fond du Lac.

SERVICE: Memorial Services will be held at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at Kurki Funeral Chapel & Crematory. Cremation has taken place. Special thanks to Tabatha, Althea, and granddaughter Bree for the care and compassion shown to Gordon.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 9. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Kurki Funeral Chapel & Crematory
31 E. Division Street
Fond du Lac, WI 54935

Service

SEP 9. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DK

“ *Its time to take a rest Gordy.*

You were a fine leader for younger students. Thank you for coaching the flag football team. I especially enjoyed the black eyes.

My guess is that you were still doing pushups the day before you passed.

Dave Kuphal

Dave Kuphal - September 19, 2025 at 11:03 AM

NH

“ *RIP Gordy!!!*

Being Gordy's neighbor brings lots of memories. If you walked by the garage you never knew what might happen. You might end up having a beer or two, you might end up listening to the wax museum and learning a little music trivia. One Friday, on the way to Frenchie's for a pizza, I got recruited to play softball in Eden and ended up spending the entire weekend playing softball.... Lots of Packers games, bumper pool and 10 cent songs like Hoka Toka. One time I made a comment about the Packers playing the Cowboys in the Super Bowl. Gordy taught me the difference between the Ice Bowl and the Super Bowl that night.

Nick Heintz

Nick Heintz - September 09, 2025 at 04:46 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Gordon V. Rock Jr..*



September 08, 2025 at 07:34 PM



“ *Sincere sympathy to all of the Rock Families. Thoughts and prayers at this sad time. Wayne and Kris Tatro*



kris tatro - September 08, 2025 at 01:24 PM



“ *Nick and Rachel Venturini purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Gordon V. Rock Jr..*



Nick and Rachel Venturini - September 07, 2025 at 09:33 PM



“ *Nick and Rachel Venturini planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gordon V. Rock Jr..*

Nick and Rachel Venturini - September 07, 2025 at 09:33 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gordon V. Rock Jr..



September 05, 2025 at 08:24 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gordon V. Rock Jr..

September 05, 2025 at 08:24 PM



“ Sorry to hear about Gordy! He was a great guy and I always enjoyed talking to him. Lew Loberger

Lew Loberger - September 05, 2025 at 04:50 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Gordon V. Rock Jr..



September 03, 2025 at 09:59 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gordon V. Rock Jr..

September 03, 2025 at 09:59 PM

JW

“ My deepest sympathy to the family. RIP Gordy & as always looking forward to playing softball for you again when we meet again!!!
Willie

Jeff Wilson - September 03, 2025 at 07:47 PM

BB

“ So sorry for your loss, Many great memories with softball team'
Beth Bednarek

Beth Bednarek - September 03, 2025 at 11:11 AM

AZ

“ My deepest sympathies to the family. He was quite the character and an enjoyable and interesting neighbor. I could write a book! Gordy will certainly be missed. Garage get-togethers will not be the same without him.

Althea Zamzow - September 02, 2025 at 05:12 PM

RB

Thanks for your compassion and friendship. He enjoyed his time with all of you.

Rebecca Bigford - September 08, 2025 at 01:32 PM