



## Raymond "Ray" E. Ballwanz

February 9, 1937 - November 16, 2021

Raymond "Ray" E. Ballwanz, 84, of Ripon, passed away on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, at Prairie Place in Ripon.

He was born on February 9, 1937, in Fond du Lac, the son of Leo G. and Constance C. Schraven Ballwanz. He was a graduate of Rosendale High School, Class of 1955. He was a veteran of the United States Navy, stationed in the Marshall Islands. On August 27, 1976, he married Judith A. Thill at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Rogersville. She preceded him in death on November 13, 2020.

Ray was a machinist and worked at Speed Queen in Ripon, Tobin Tool & Dye in Fond du Lac, and later for Oshkosh Truck in Oshkosh. He was a member of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Rogersville. He liked bowling, deer hunting and fishing with the kids and enjoyed listening to polka music.

He is survived by his children: Ed Ballwanz of Princeton, Jane (Bill) Kolberg of Ripon, LuAnn (Jeff) Packer of Ripon and Rick Ballwanz of Waukesha; two step-children: Dan (special friend Sylvia) Kedingler of Fond du Lac and Lynn Oosterhouse of Wild Rose; four grandchildren: Jordan Ballwanz of Fond du Lac, Cody (Ashley) Kolberg of Ripon, Kaycee Kolberg of Beaver Dam and Jason (special friend Susan) Dilts of Hillsboro, OR; three step-grandchildren: Kristi Shafer, Kari Shafer and Kourtnei Kedingler; one great-grandchild Walter

Kolberg; his siblings: Donald (Diana) Ballwanz of Neshkoro, Rosalie Ballwanz of Oconomowoc, Dale Ballwanz of Fond du Lac and Linda (Kevin) Ingenthron of Little Chute.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his wife, his brother Robert Ballwanz; two sons-in-law: Joe Shafer and Roger Oosterhouse.

VISITATION & SERVICE: Friends may call from 9:00 – 11:00 AM on Saturday, November 27, 2021 at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, N5680 Towne Road, Rosendale, WI 54974. A combined Memorial Service for Ray and Judy Ballwanz will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, November 27, 2021 at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, with Rev. Kimberly Stowell officiating. Inurnment will follow at Rogersville Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorials appreciated to St. Stephen's Lutheran Church.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 27. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Stephen's Ev. Lutheran Church  
N5680 Towne Road  
Rogersville, WI

## Service

NOV 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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