



## Thomas O. Backhaus

April 10, 1951 - July 4, 2016

Thomas O. Backhaus, 65, of North Fond du Lac, died Monday, July 4, 2016, at home. He was born on April 10, 1951, in West Bend, a son of Carl F. and Pearl Soyk Backhaus. Tom served with the United States Army in Germany. Tom worked at Mercury Marine for 44 years, retiring in January of 2014. He held several positions there, with his last position as a yard driver, taking parts from plant to plant with a semi, which he loved to drive. He was an avid fisherman, spending many days on Lake Winnebago. He also enjoyed hunting, baseball, golfing, and being everyone's handyman. Tom also liked sharing his garden with everyone. He is survived by his siblings: Roman (Lin) Backhaus of Fond du Lac, Dianne (Mike) Syms of Rhinelander, Barb (Matt) Meyer of Surprise, Arizona, Carl (Trudy) Backhaus of Fond du Lac, Perry Backhaus of Campbellsport, Glenn (Janet) Fick of Slinger, Gloria Mabe of Menasha, and Charlene Kibbe (friend, Don) of Fond du Lac; 15 nieces and nephews; many grand-nieces and grand-nephews; and other family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers-in-law; and various relatives. VISITATION: The visitation will be from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 14, 2016, at Kurki-Mach Funeral Chapel & Crematory, 31 East Division Street, Fond du Lac, and on Friday, July 15, 2016, from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. SERVICE: The funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, July 15, 2016, at Kurki-Mach Funeral Chapel & Crematory. Burial will be in Ledgeview Memorial Park with military rites conducted by the Trier-Puddy Post 75. The family would like to thank Officer Eagen of the North Fond du Lac

Police Department, Deputy Medical Examiner, Dave Lefeber of the Fond du Lac County Medical Examiner's Office, and Kurki-Mach Funeral Chapel for their kind assistance.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Dianne, you and your whole family are in my prayers during this difficult, sad time.*

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**Susie Yakaites** - July 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *To the Family of Tom, May he rest in Peace, Sincerely Terry and Judy*

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**Terrence** - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *My husband and I send our deepest condolences for your loss. May the God of all comfort console you during your grief.*

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**Kia Ministry** - July 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *rest in peace*

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**Mike Hefter** - July 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dianne and family,I was so sorry to hear of Tom's passing, I know he will certainly be missed by family and the entire extended neighborhood. I know several stories of his kindness and generosity.*

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**Nancy** - July 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ So sorry to hear of Tom's passing. Worked for many years with him and of course had many good times at Charlie's. Rest in Peace my friend!

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**Jean Freund Felker** - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sorry for you loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Tom** - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM