

Paul J. Kramer

March 30, 1939 — Aug. 16, 2017

Kramer

Paul Kramer found his peace in life's simple pleasures and joy in the world around him. He had a passion for ice fishing, gardening, and the Green Bay Packers. He



had a knack for fixing things and creating innovative gadgets and tools. He loved the outdoors and spent hours tinkering and organizing his vast supply of odds and ends that he saved and always found useful. Paul was salt of the earth, hardworking and put his heart and soul into every task. He had an infectious sense of humor and would give you the shirt off his back

without hesitation. He was devoted to those he loved and a friend to all who knew him.

Paul Joseph Kramer was born March 30, 1939 to Frances (née Agathan) and Paul Joseph Kramer. As a child, Paul enjoyed life on the farm and shared his days with his large extended family. Out of high school he worked for the Waukesha County Highway Department and served as a volunteer fireman. Paul enjoyed playing cards, softball, and pitching horseshoes with the boys. As a clever storyteller, much of Paul's "material" came from this time of his life, as did his lifelong friendships.

On November 4, 1961, Paul married his high school sweetheart Aljea Moore. This was the beginning of a loving and devoted commitment. They had four children: Beth, Tim, David, and Barbara. Paul shared his values and loving heart with each of his children. He gave his determination and his selfless love and loyalty to Beth. To Tim, he gave his strong work ethic and an ambition to provide and protect. Paul shared his love for nature and simplicity with David, and to Barbara, Paul gave his passion for others ... and of course, his undeniable sense of humor.

As a father Paul was involved, loving, and fun. He played catch in the backyard and took his family ice fishing, boating, and camping on the weekends. He attended their sporting events and supported their individual endeavors. During these years, Paul worked for Hornburg Ford in Oconomowoc and later Sentry Insurance.

Much too soon, Paul's physical health challenged him, but never stopped him from doing the things he loved. He adapted, persevered, and continued to do all the things he loved. These difficult times never changed the heart and soul he shared with this world. He instead was buoyed by his family and his loving grandchildren: Alec, David, Luke, Paul, Nicole, Nelly, and Emma. These seven were the brightest spots in his life. Paul attended their sporting events and performances. He taught them to garden, trim trees, and hammer nails. When unable to do that, his grandchildren visited him with regularity, sharing meals, stories and palate pleasers.

In Paul's last days, he remained strong and content. He was at peace and free from crippling pain. During one of his last conversations, he told his daughter that he was "on his way to heaven," his reward for a life well lived. Paul Joseph Kramer died August 16, 2017, with his loving wife and two daughters holding his hand, listening to Conway Twitty. Paul's love of life and passion for those he loved will never be forgotten.

Paul is survived by his wife, Aljea; and children, Beth, Tim (Becky), David and Barbara; his seven grandchildren; sister, Yvonne Beranek; aunt Bernice Sadenwasser and a multitude of friends and family.

Please join Paul's family Saturday, Dec. 30, 2017, from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. as they celebrate a life well lived and man well-loved at Rosati's in Oconomowoc.

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Paul Kramer Dies

Paul Kramer, thirty-six years of age, brother of Harriet Kramer and Mrs. Lucian Marsh of Palmyra, died Thursday evening, October 19, 1939, at his home in Eagle, Wis.

The funeral was held from the St. Theresa church, Rev. Eschweiler officiating. He is survived by his wife and two children. A more extended notice will follow next week.