



## Leroy Buckel

August 31, 1921 - November 13, 2010

We said goodbye to a wonderful man on Saturday, November 13, 2010, Larry Buckel of Minocqua. At the age of 89, he died at Avanti Health & Rehab Center in Minocqua, Wisconsin from complications of dementia.

Larry was born on August 31, 1921 in Kalkaska, Michigan to Roy and Crystal (Lane) Buckel. In 1935 his parents moved the family to Fordville, Michigan. He attended Old Felch High School with his brother, Bruce and sisters Eva and Jean before graduating in 1939. During World War II, Larry served his country as a 2nd lieutenant in the army guarding the Panama Canal. After the war Larry studied at Illinois Institute of Technology and graduated in 1951 with a degree in industrial engineering. He began his career as an industrial engineer at the McGraw-Edison-Kyle Plant in South Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He was quickly promoted to plant manager eventually retiring in 1980. Four years later he moved with his wife, Helen, to Minocqua and he enjoyed the last 26 years of his life in the Northwoods.

Larry married Helen Elizabeth Nord on July 3, 1946, at the Forth Presbyterian Church of Chicago. They were blessed with six children, Karen, Barbara, Linda, Susan, John and Sally.

Larry enjoyed working around the house, his daily walks around lake Minocqua, fishing for crappies, caring for his raspberry patch, playing bridge with his friends, watching Packer football, visits with his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. But most of all he cherished his relationship with his wife, Helen, she was the center of his life.

Preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Crystal Buckel, brother, Bruce Buckel, sister, Eva Moore and daughter, Karen (Buckel) Kuether.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Helen; his children, Barbara Buckel, Linda and husband Paul Owen, Susan and husband Mike Stanislowski, John Buckel and wife Susan and Sally and husband Frank Holloway; his grandchildren, Sam Owen, Lee Owen, Jake Owen, Ben Stanislowski, Kyle Stanislowski, Amanda (Buckel) and husband David Risse, Elisha Buckel, Daryl Buckel, Jack Holloway, Neil Holloway, Frank Holloway Jr; great grandchildren Hailey Stanislowski and Ethan Risse, sister Jean Peronto and many nephews and nieces.

Funeral services will be held on November 17, 2010 at 5 PM at the Bolger Funeral Home-Woodruff Chapel. Visitation will be one hour prior the service at the funeral home on Wednesday. Burial will be in the Foster City Cemetery in Foster City, MI.

The family would like to acknowledge the wonderful care provided by Hospice services in Minocqua, Visiting Nurse Association, Howard Young Medical Center staff, Avanti Health & Rehab Center staff, K-Care staff and caregiver, Barb Reed.

Memorials are suggested to Ministry Home Care-Dr. Kate Hospice PO Box 770 Woodruff, WI 54568

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



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**David Moore** - October 11, 2020 at 06:49 PM

BB

*Thank you Dave for sharing these pictures of my parents. I have fond memories of playing with you and your siblings when we were kids. I got your letter and made contact through your blog. I have a long letter written by your mom about growing up in Michigan. I hope to hear from you soon.*

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**barbara buckel** - April 16, 2021 at 04:06 PM

AM

“ Last year when visiting my parents...Eve and Ernie Thunell, I said let's get some pasties and go visit Helen and Larry. We made the plan...got the pasties from Jean Kay's and headed out on our journey...it was a beautiful day and an equally beautiful drive to their lovely and classic Lake Minocqua home.

Barbara was there with them that day...it was one of the days of the M J funeral/tributes...Barb and I sat in the living room and watched it as our parents sat around the dining table and 'talked story' as we say here in Hawaii. When the picture sharing and 'tall tales' were all over (and the pasties long gone) we bid your Dad and Mom a fond farewell...

I remember thinking as I drove my Mom and Dad back to Quinnesec...this was a good thing...a very very good thing to have done for all concerned. I'd been thinking of the times we had visited you all down in Hales Corners...my Aunt Nancy/Uncle Gary and cousins lived just over the hill in Greendale...we got to see each other fairly often, all things considered.

This year was much harder on all of us...both our Dads took turns for the worse. It was with great sadness that I answered the phone last week at my parents home to hear your Mom's voice telling us of the setback your Dad, Larry had had that day...the day of our Dad, Ernie's visitation. So imagine the astonished look on my face when your Mom walked into the church the next morning for our Dads funeral service! Sadly your Mom called again soon after...I could tell from her voice that something had come to pass...and indeed it was your Dad...he had passed on...

now both our Dad's are 'up there' together...with all the other Buckels, Nord's, Erickson's, Thunells and countless others who have gone before us...and who wait for us to join them...each in our own time...

as with my Dad, Ernie...so it was with your Dad, Larry...all things

*taken into account, not a bad run for the ages they lived to...*

*with love and aloha from Maui...*

*Allen/Bruce Mann...*

*a hui hou and godspeed to both our Dad's...Larry and Ernie...you'll be so so missed...*

*thanks for all the great memories you left us with...*

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**Allen aka Bruce Mann** - March 22, 2013 at 11:54 AM

MR

“ *Helen -*

*I was saddened to hear of Larry's passing - you have had to endure too much grieve too quickly! Please know that I will miss him and my prayers and thoughts are with you and the kids. He was, indeed, a wonderful man. Marilyn Reed (Thunell)*

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**Marilyn Reed** - March 22, 2013 at 11:54 AM

MY

“ *Helen,*

*Mom shares her deep felt compassion for you and your family and this difficult time. Mom had every intention of spending today with you. however, it has not been a good day for her. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. If there is ever anything we can do please let us know. Mom will be sending a memorial to Hospice.*

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**Marilyn Yelton** - March 22, 2013 at 11:54 AM

BC

“ We are so sorry to learn of Larry's death. We know he suffered a lot this past year and now he is whole. Thank the Lord for that. We will miss seeing him pattering in his yard, in the garden and making wood. We never knew when we would meet him in the driveway as he went for his walk. God bless you Helen, and family.

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**Bob and Marilynn Chesbrough** - March 22, 2013 at 11:54 AM

GS

“ Dear Helen and Family,  
So sad to hear of Larry's passing. We remember him well when you all lived on 92nd. st. in Hales Corners and us in Greendale, Wi. Our 4 kids used to climb high in Larry's apple trees for those beautiful apples while you and Larry held your breaths. Gary remembers his interview with Larry (soon after he graduated from Michigan Tech). Larry was then manager at McGraw-Edison/Kyle Plant in South Milwaukee. He remembers him well as a very professional and intelligent wonderful man .  
We did have many good visits with you both before you moved to Minocqua in the 80's. He will be missed. God Bless You and Your Family in the difficult days ahead Helen.  
Love and Blessings,  
Gary and Nancy Steiner

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**Gary & Nancy Steiner** - March 22, 2013 at 11:54 AM