



Ward L. Fox

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Ward L. Fox (Foxy)

Ward Fox, age 89 passed on November 28, 2015. He was born and raised in Marion, Wisconsin where he graduated from high school in 1944. Upon graduation, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served during WWII as a Pharmacist Mate aboard an aircraft carrier stationed in the South Pacific Theater. After the war, he attended UW-Oshkosh where he graduated with a dual degree in Chemistry and Biology with a minor in Physical Education. He was very active in tennis, boxing, football and basketball while attending the university.

Ward moved to Waupaca and taught Chemistry and coached various men's sports at the high school. After 9 years of teaching, he became the Chemist and eventually moved into the position of Head of Technical Sales at Filter Materials Inc. where he worked for many years. Upon retirement, Ward and his wife enjoyed spending the winters in southern Florida.

Ward is survived by his wife of 65 years, Joan; three children; Cathy Kaniszewski (Leon), Chris Van Dellen (Eric Kahler), and John Fox (Radmila); four grandchildren; Leon Kaniszewski (FeFe Gorges), Jesse Armstrong (Brian), Daniel Fox and Samuel Fox; five great grandchildren; brother-in-law's Fred Rasmussen and Jerry Taber (Janet); a sister-in-law Jacci Taber; cousins Paul Michaelis (Linda), Peter Michaelis and Peggy Kranzusch (Jerry); and several nieces and nephews.

Ward was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting, fishing and the game of golf. He enjoyed many years of duck hunting on Vesey Lake and deer, turkey and squirrel hunting at the Triple 7 Sportsman's Club.

The family would like to extend their appreciation to the staff at Park Vista for their kindness and assistance to Ward over the past 2 years.

Ward will truly be missed by his family and friends. His legendary tales about the big ones that got away and his quick wit will be remembered by all.



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There will be a full military honors memorial service for Ward Fox on Friday July 8, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. at the Wisconsin Veterans Home in King. The memorial will take place at the pavilion located on the cemetery grounds.

Friends and family are invited to attend luncheon after the service which will be held at N2217 Birchwood Drive in Waupaca immediately following the service.



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Cemetery Details



Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery

N2665 County Road QQ, King WI 54946



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DH

Dana Hipke posted:

"TO LIVE IN THE HEARTS WE LEAVE BEHIND IS NOT TO DIE." PLEASE ADD ME TO THE TESTIMONY FROM MY FAMILY.

January 5 at 10:47 AM

DH

Dick, Dana, Tom And Paula Hipke posted:

"WHAT A DIFFERENCE A GOOD MAN CAN MAKE. OUR WORLD WON'T BE THE SAME WITHOUT HIM -- BUT THE NEXT WORLD HAS GAINED ONE HECK OF A SOUL"!!! EXTENDING HEARTFELT SYMPATHY TO MRS. FOX, CATHY, CHRIS AND JOHN, THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF WARD. MANY MANY WONDERFUL MEMORIES WERE CREATED BETWEEN OUR FAMILIES LONG AGO!! WISHING YOU PEACE IN THE DAYS AHEAD. THE HIPKE KIDS WILL NEVER FORGET MR. FOX'S INTEREST IN US, HIS HUMOR(BS), HIS LAUGH AND HIS "SMILING EYES"!!! LOVE FOR YOU ALL. GOD BLESS MR. FOX.

January 5 at 10:19 AM

JG

John Gusmer posted:

I was Ward's boss during those years at Filter Materials. He was a star FilMat salesman, and generated many friends in the paper industry. It's a shame that his retirement activities were hampered by health issues - both his and Joan's. I like to remember his big smile like the photo above. I pray that he is fulfilling his dreams in Heaven. John Gusmer

January 1 at 9:38 AM

KS

Kathy Stellberg posted:

I was fortunate to work with Foxy for many years at Filter Materials and always enjoyed his jokes and stories. I learned a great deal from him over the years at work too. He was a very intelligent man and loved his hunting, fishing and golf! He was a great family man too an he and Joan were so much fun to be around. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. My sympathy to the family. Kathy Stellberg

December 23 at 1:34 PM



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DE

Dawn Eller posted:

I am so sorry to hear this---I had the opportunity to know him at my work---What a great person and friend---I always greeted him with : Hello my friend---I will miss him....Sending Prayers that you will find some Peace at this time. Dawn Eller

December 4 at 9:59 AM

TW

Tom Winch posted:

Mr. Fox was my favorite and most influential high school teacher. He planted the seed that gave me the confidence to go to med school. He also was my golf coach which brought me to lifelong enjoyment of the game. Thanks Foxy. You did good!

December 4 at 3:41 AM

JO

Joan Otterlee December 23 at 2:39 AM

We were so sorry to hear of Mr, Fox passing, we were so happy he came to see us before we went South this year, he had some mighty good fish fries for us. He was my Chemistry teacher and continued to be a friend for years.

KR

Ken Rushford December 8 at 8:26 AM

Thanks to Mr. Fox. He helped make Chemistry my favorite science so I minored in it at college. He was also my freshman basketball coach and the first one who had faith in me to let me play full time. He was a good guy and teacher and role model for me. Ken Rushford

JC

James Christensen December 7 at 4:15 PM

Another belated vote of thanks to Mr. Fox, for getting me on the way to my career in Chemical Engineering.

AT

Ann Louise Thyreen posted:

"Mr. Fox" was my backyard neighbor with whom I often walked home for lunch. All I remember about that walk was that it was a brisk walk!! May his family have God's Peace during this time of remembrance.Sincerely,Ann Louise (Johnson) Thyreen

December 3 at 10:27 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ward by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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