



Greg

August 12, 1950 - January 27, 2025

Gregory M. "Greg" Taylor, 74, of Morton, passed away peacefully on Monday, January 27, 2025 in his home surrounded by his family. He was born on August 12, 1950, a son of Delmar and Colleen Taylor. Greg married Judith A. Turnbull on January 13, 1970 who still resides in their home in Morton.

He is also survived by his children, Tracey (Jim) Meyer of Morton and Bryan Taylor of Morton; along with his grandchildren, Cole Meyer, Jett Meyer, Jared Taylor and Luke Taylor; his brother, Michael (Sharon) Taylor of Pecatonica; his sister, Sue (Robert) Getz of Morton; and several nieces and nephews.

Greg was a graduate of Morton High School, Class of 1968. He served in the United States Army Reserves for seven years.

He retired from Caterpillar, Inc. in Morton in 1999.

Greg was an accomplished wildlife wood carver, winning many awards at the Ward World Championship Wildfowl Carving Competition and Art Festival in Ocean City, Maryland and at many national competitions.

He enjoyed spending time with his family, both at home and their cabin in Minocqua, Wisconsin.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital in his memory at <https://www.stjude.org/donate>

Greg's celebration of life service will take place at a later date. Details will be forthcoming.

Cremation has been handled by Schmidt-Haller Burial & Cremation Services in Peoria.

Tribute Wall

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“ Greg, you & Judy were two exceptional reasons we loved visiting Lake Shishibogama to experience your fishing prowess & Judy's contribution for presenting a fabulous fish fry! That's saying a lot because I don't normally like fish, but I surely enjoyed it there! You knew every place to go for the best catch, and Dave & I really enjoyed the fruits of your labor. You were a nationally acclaimed wood carver, and Judy was the ultimate painter of your productions. There are so many other reasons we will miss you. I especially love the story about when you first met Judy, and how you knew she was *THE ONE* for you 💕. Thank you for sharing good times with us, and know that your true love, Judy, will be taken care of. You will not be forgotten...

Kathy Godden - February 04, 2025 at 07:35 PM

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“ Greg was my nephew, the younger son of my sister/brother-in-law. I was his occasional baby-sitter and along with his brother, Mike, and little sister, Sue Ellen, we spent many hours playing ball or encouraging creative play and/or story-telling. Greg definitely had artistic talent and it manifested itself in wood-carved avian models, especially world-class duck decoys. He loved to fish and spent as much time as possible at his family's northern Wisconsin cabins near Minocqua. \nHe was a bit of a romantic, cherishing sunsets over the clear waters of that region. \nHe was incredibly proud of his family and worried more about their respective futures than he did his own declining health. Without any reservation, Greg loved his wife Judy, his son Bryan and daughter, Tracey...and doted on his grandchildren! 😊 He was a consummate cheerleader for each/all of them and as such, his words of love, praise (and occasional challenge) will be fondly remembered. It's the same for me. Uncle Bill Stimeling

Bill Stimeling - February 04, 2025 at 12:46 PM