



Vernon James Liegel

January 8, 1939 - May 2, 2023

Vernon James Liegel, 84, of Spring Green entered into God's eternal care unexpectedly & peacefully surrounded by his family May 2, 2023. He was born on January 8, 1939 in Baraboo, WI to Anne (Laubmeier) and George F. Liegel. He graduated from St. Luke's Catholic High School in Plain in 1956. He was united in marriage to Bernadine (Bernie) Hetzel on June 17, 1961 at St. Luke's Catholic Church, Plain.

After graduating from high school Vern worked for the Suemnicht Cheese Company, Loganville before entering the U.S. Army for active duty from 1957 to 1959. He was stationed at Fort Bliss, TX. He then served four years in the Army Reserve and received an honorable discharge in 1963.

After returning from active duty, Vern returned to work for Suemnicht Cheese Co. In 1963 he began farming with his brother, Florian (Duffy) Liegel, in Spring Green. In 1991 the farming partnership dissolved and he worked for the USPS as a rural carrier until his retirement in 2008. He then mowed for the Village of Spring Green and took pride in a well-kept lawn and landscape that always looked its best. He loved fishing, hunting and the family vacations to the North Woods. His prized possessions were his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He loved spending time with them and especially playing Euchre with his grandkids because they were always "out to beat him".

Vern was an active member of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church where he served on the parish council at the time the new church was built. He was a 50 year plus member of the Spring Green Knights of Columbus and a past Grand Knight. He was a past president of the Spring Green Lions Club and served on the Spring Green Village Board for eleven years.

Vern is survived by his wife, Bernie; his five children: Diane (Kevin) Kraemer of Plain, Tim (Sally) Liegel, Lori (Roger) Hoffman, Jane (Eric) Briehl of Spring Green, and Nick Liegel of Mount Horeb, ten grandchildren: Andy (Michelle), Brad (Steph) and Carly Kraemer, McKenzie and Payton (Mikkayla) Liegel, Carter (Kiara) Hoffman, Kylie Schwingle (Hunter) and Ali Hoffman, Taylor and Emily Briehl and five great-grandchild, Nora and Samuel Kraemer, Everly and Penelope Liegel, and Aidan Kraemer. He is further survived by sisters-in-law: Marcie Liegel, Jeanette (Richard) Limmex, Julie Hetzel (Lois Baseler),

Jackie Hetzel, and Rhonna Hetzel. Brothers-in-law: Dan (Darcy) Hetzel, Am Hetzel and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Vern was preceded in death by: his parents, brothers: Ed (Alma), Alfred (Bernice), Vic, Florian (Dolores), George and infant brothers Joseph and Ralph Liegel; sisters: Florence (Allie) Alt, Alma (Ray) Brickl, Marian (Al) Layton, Vi (Ed) Paulus and his brother-in-law Larry Hetzel and father and mother-in-law, John and Mary (Brickl) Hetzel.

Vern will be remembered as a good friend, and loving father, grandfather, great-grandfather and husband. Vern had an amazing life that was filled with fun, laughter and many good times with his family and friends.

The family would like to thank the Doctors & Nurses at UW Hospital & Spring Green EMS

A celebration of Vern's life will be held at St. John's Catholic Church in Spring Green on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at 11:00 AM with Fr. Garrett Kau officiating in the church cemetery. Friends may call on Monday, May 8, 2023, at St. John's Catholic Church in Spring Green from 4 PM – 7 PM and also on Tuesday from 10 AM until the time of service. A rosary will be held on Monday at 7:00 PM by Fr. Garrett at church. The Spring Green American Legion Post 253 will provide military honors.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Spring Green EMS or St. John's Church.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. John's Catholic Church
253 N. Washington St
Spring Green, WI 53588

Rosary

MAY 8. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Rosary to be led by Fr. Garrett Kau

Visitation

MAY 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Celebration of Life

MAY 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CM

“ Prayers to Bernie and the Liegel family during this difficult time. Know that you are in my prayers and thoughts.

Coreen Marklein - May 09, 2023 at 12:34 PM

MA

“ Sending sympathy and prayers for Bernie and family. Cousin Marian (Ruhland) Burmester.

Marian - May 09, 2023 at 05:22 AM

CB

“ Cardinal CG - Buford purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Vernon James Liegel.



Cardinal CG - Buford - May 08, 2023 at 05:12 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Vernon James Liegel.



May 08, 2023 at 02:42 PM

FD

“ Dear Bernie and family,
Please accept my heartfelt sympathy. You and Vernon are being remembered in my Masses and other prayers.
In loving and prayerful sympathy,
Cousin Fr. Ray Dischler

Father Ray Dischler - May 08, 2023 at 10:27 AM

FG

“ From all of us Cardinal CG, Spring Green purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Vernon James Liegel.



From all of us Cardinal CG, Spring Green - May 08, 2023 at 09:44 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Vernon James Liegel.



May 07, 2023 at 08:02 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Vernon James Liegel.



May 07, 2023 at 11:50 AM

GH

“ The memories are endless. Relentlessly teasing me prior to Suz and my wedding, playing cards (single and double deck euchre), arguing over the Vikings and packers, asking me to join the Liegel deer hunting group, the one that stands out the most is when I lost my rifle scope walking thru a corn field deer hunting and Vernie hitting with the disc the next spring. Vernie had a great time teasing me about the lost scope. I would be hard pressed to come up with another person in my life that created as many good memories as Vernie. Gary Hoffman.

Gary Hoffman - May 06, 2023 at 11:29 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Vernon James Liegel.



May 05, 2023 at 02:28 PM

RD

“ Rick and Mary Deli purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Vernon James Liegel.



Rick and Mary Deli - May 04, 2023 at 06:20 PM

DW

“ "A good Euchre partner will get you two tricks" Playing Euchre with Vern was a gift that I will hold onto forever. I will carry you with me until we meet again.

Doreen White - May 04, 2023 at 12:49 PM

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“ To the family and friends of Vernon James Liegel, another Comrade has been called to the high command. He has gone to the commander of us all. He offered his service to our country in a time of national need and is now enrolled in that great spirit army whose footfalls cause no sound. But in the memory of man, their souls go marching on. Because of them, our lives are free, because of them the world is blessed. Our deepest condolences from Bower-Gunnill-Dalton VFW Post 2267, Richland Center, WI.



Bower-Gunnill-Dalton VFW Post 2267 - May 04, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Vernon James Liegel.



May 03, 2023 at 09:15 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Vernon James Liegel.



May 03, 2023 at 09:04 PM