



August 10, 2008

## Regal, Jan M.

Jan M. Regal, 64, was called to his eternal home on August 7, 2008. He was born on February 19, 1944, in Riga, Latvia. He arrived in the United States in the spring of 1949. He was adopted at age five by Marvin and Viola (Lippert) Regal. Jan married Thelma "Cookie" Johnson on September 24, 1966. Jan worked as a welder fabricator for Metals Manufacturing, and he retired from Printron Engravers. He enjoyed the outdoors and loved fly-fishing for trout and musky fishing. He enjoyed playing cards with friends and going to the gym with Tom. Jan was a member of Grace Lutheran Church and had an extremely strong faith. Jan always loved a good party and dancing, even though he could not conquer the "Chicken Dance." Jan truly loved and embraced life.

Jan is survived by his loving wife, Thelma; sons: Jon (Stephanie) Regal of Appleton and Matthew (special friend Beth McCarthy) Regal of Menasha; grandchildren: Tenley, Allyson & Jordan; sisters-in-law: Mardie Paalman, Nancy (Harley) Lyons, Gail VanPrice; brothers-in-law: Larry Johnson, Kenneth Johnson; special friends: Larry (Jeri) Gauerke, Ken (Edna) Warnke, Terry Hawley, John Warnke, Tom VanderWielen and Joyce Drephal and family. He is further survived by many other close and special relatives and friends.

Jan was preceded in death by his parents; his father-in-law and mother-in-law: Arnold & Thelma Johnson; sister-in-law: Kathy Graham; brother-in-law: Jon Johnson; niece: Chris VanderWielen; and special friend: Bob Steinberg.

Services for Jan will be held on Monday, August 11, 2008, at 3 p.m. at Valley Funeral Home with Pastor Judy Deckert officiating. Visitation for Jan will be on Monday, August 11, 2008, from 12 (noon) until the time of service. Interment will be at Highland Memorial Park.

In lieu of other expressions of sympathy, memorials may be given to Grace Lutheran Church in Jan's name.

Jan, you were the boy next door, my best friend and one true love for over 40 years. I will miss you more than you could ever imagine. God had a plan for us- we did too- I have to believe that God's was the better plan even though it didn't match ours completely. I love you honey and always will.

Love, Cook.

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