

Donald P. Zuege "Zinc"

March 12, 1945 – May 4, 2025

Donald Patrick Zuege "Zinc", 80, Kewaunee, passed away unexpectedly on May 4, 2025. Born on March 12, 1945, in Kewaunee, to the late Sylvester and Mabel (Koskubar) Zuege, Don was a beloved figure in his hometown, known for his warm spirit, sense of humor and strong sense of community.

Don devoted many years to the city as a dedicated street department employee, remembered by many driving in the street sweeper, and helping ensure Kewaunee's roads were safe and well-kept. While he took pride in his work, it was the simple joys of life that truly defined him.

Don was proud of being a member of the Kewaunee Fire Department for over 25 years.

He was a passionate fan of classic television, particularly enjoying episodes of "Gunsmoke" and "Bonanza." On weekends, you could often find him cheering on his favorite NASCAR drivers or driving in a stock car himself in Luxemburg in his younger years. Don enjoyed playing baseball in his youth, looking like he would be recruited to play professionally until an injury prevented him continuing. Later he enjoyed time spent watching the Milwaukee Brewer games on TV.

An enthusiastic bowler, Don celebrated many happy moments and won many awards on the lanes with friends and family. He loved to share laughter and stories, often accompanied by the lively tunes of polka music.

Don is survived by his daughter, Lynn (Kevin) LaCrosse; grandchildren, Katelyn LaCrosse (fiancé Devon), Calista LaCrosse, Camille LaCrosse; brother, Roger (Linda) Zuege; sister-in-law, Margret Zuege; as well as by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and his special friends at the garage.

He was preceded in death by his son, Scott Zuege; parents, Sylvester and Mabel Zuege; and brothers, Thomas Zuege, and Kenneth (Sandy) Zuege.

Family and friends are invited to pay their respects during the visitation, which will be held from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Thursday, May 15, 2025, at Kinnard Funeral & Cremation Services in Kewaunee. A closing service with the local firemen will take place at 7:00 PM. Online Condolence messages may be shared at KinnardFCS.com.

