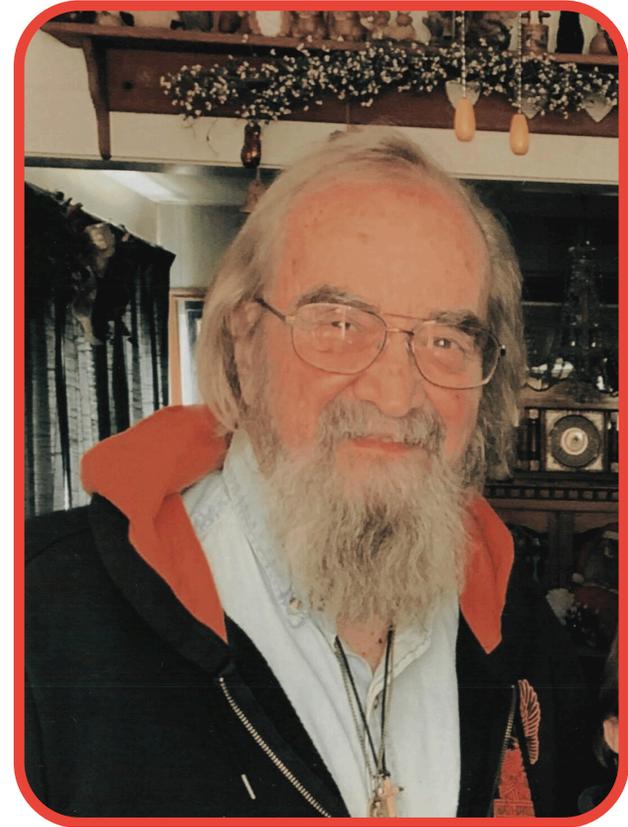


IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF



MAY THE ROAD  
RISE TO MEET  
MAY THE YOU  
WIND BE ALWAYS AT  
YOUR BACK  
MAY THE SUN SHINE WARM  
UPON YOUR FACE  
THE RAINS FALL UPON YOUR  
SOFT FIELDS  
AND, UNTIL  
WE MEET AGAIN  
MAY GOD HOLD YOU  
IN THE PALM OF HIS HAND

MICHAEL "MIKE" J. CULEK

February 28, 1947



May 9, 2025





Celebrating the Life of

# MIKE CULEK

February 28, 1947 - May 9, 2025



Michael "Mike" J. Culek, age 78, of Viroqua, passed away peacefully on Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025. He was born in Bensenville, Illinois on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 1947, to the late William and Corinne (Walsh) Culek. Mike graduated from Fenton High School with the class of 1965. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1966 and proudly served his country. He married Kathryn Neva on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1968, and they later divorced. Mike worked as a mail carrier for a short time before transitioning careers and becoming an over-the-road truck driver. He married the love of his life, Linda Martin, on March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1981. Together they celebrated 44 years of marriage. He retired from trucking in 2000 and then worked at Nuzum's Lumber in Viroqua. Mike's hobby was riding Harley Davidson motorcycles and he loved being in his garage rebuilding cars and bikes.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Culek; his two daughters, Beth Culek and Cate Beech; his grandchildren, Maya Rizwan, Ava Rizwan and Tom Beech; his great-granddaughter, Stella Beech; his siblings, William Culek and Rosemary Kessel; several nieces and nephews; his beloved cat, Oscar; other relatives and friends.

Mike was preceded in death by his parents; sister-in-law, Josephine Culek; and brother-in-law, Herb Kessel.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to St. Mary's Catholic Church in Viroqua are appreciated.

Mike's family would like to thank Dr. David Marinier from Gundersen Health System for the care he provided.



## MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

11:00 AM ~ Friday, May 16, 2025  
St. Mary's Catholic Church  
Viroqua, Wisconsin

## OFFICIANT

Father Joe Richards

## FINAL RESTING PLACE

St. James Catholic Cemetery  
Rising Sun, Wisconsin

## MILITARY HONORS

Viroqua VFW Post #3032  
United States Army Active Duty Honors Team

## LUNCHEON

Following the burial  
St. Mary's Catholic Church Marian Hall

## PALLBEARERS

Bill Culek	Glen Martin
Joe Culek	Merle Martin
Scott Kessel	Leroy Holm

