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## Harold T. Trusky March 8, 1949 - April 25, 2018



Was born to eternal Life on April 25, 2018, at the age of 69, due to a long yet courageous battle against ALS(Lou Gehrig) disease. Harold passed peacefully with his family by his side, at home, on his farm in Fredonia, WI, where he had been a resident for these past 22 years. He was also a former resident of Mequon, WI, for 18 years, and Marco Island, FL for 7 years.

Harold was born in Philadelphia., Pa, March 8th, 1949, to the late Frank and Adele Trusky. Harold grew up in the Hatboro, PA suburbs and he graduated from Hatboro-Horsham High School, in 1967. Following graduation, Harold enlisted in the US Navy, following in his father's and uncle's footsteps. Harold served proudly on the USS Bristol and the USS Puget Sound. Harold mentioned on many occasions that his military service is what readied him for his hard work ethic and dedication to the career that lie ahead. After his military service Harold worked for Philadelphia Gear Co, in King of Prussia, PA. He married his high school sweet-heart, in May of 1971, In Hatboro, PA. He was blessed with two wonderful children, a terrific daughter-in-law, and a future son-in- law. And blessed with five adoring grandchildren. All of which reside in WI, which made Harold very happy,

he loved having them close, and he never tired of their wonderful hugs, kisses and laughter, playing games, and reading to them. He was so very proud of them all.

In 1978, Harold was hired by Milwaukee Gear, Co, WI, as the Operations Manager. He was later promoted to President of the company. He loved his job and especially the wonderful people he worked with. After, 30 years with Milwaukee Gear Co, Harold retired as their CEO and Chairman of the Board, he felt very fortunate to be able to stay in touch with so many wonderful employees.

Upon retirement, Harold was ready to continue his travel's with family and friends. These trips included Hawaii, Alaska, Italy, Ireland, France, Great Britain, Germany, India, the Arctic Circle, British Columbia, Austria, and Holland. His travels through the years took him to almost all of the 50 United States.

Harold had many hobbies, he was an avid reader ,gardener, farmer, great lover of all genres of music, theater, and going to the movies .He loved to eat and he loved to cook.

Harold loved the outdoors and enjoyed almost every sport and pastime WI has to offer. Whether it was fishing, hunting, golfing, trap shooting, fly fishing, hiking, skiing, snowmobiling, or boating, he loved the activities, but more importantly, he loved the family and friends that shared the experience with him. There have been some wonderful tales told around that "old pot belly" stove. The Fredonia Farm where he and Patti resided for the past 22 years was his" favorite place". "How Lucky and Blessed are we", he would always say, to live on this land.

Harold is survived by his beloved wife of 46 years, his high school sweetheart, Patti-Lynn (Wagner) Trusky of Fredonia, WI He is further survived by his daughter, Melanie L Anzia, her fiance Rob Steinhorst, her children, Angelina M. Anzia, and Alexander J. Anzia all of Mayville, WI. His son Matthew R. Trusky, his daughter-in-law, Sarah E.(Darbyshire) Trusky, their children Elena L.Trusky, Jase E. Trusky and Theo H. Trusky of Fredonia, WI. And further survived by his brother Frank L. Trusky, of Silverdale, Pa, and his sister, Gale M. Trusky, of Cheltenham, Pa. And by many brother-in-law's and sister-in-law's, niece's and nephew's and many, many, dear friend's.

Harold was a dedicated, loving, generous, hard-working, husband, father, grandfather, brother, brother-in-law, and friend. He was always willing to lend a hand, share his experience, and make us laugh. You will be missed by many, but your spirit will always be with us and guiding us. Our dear memories of Harold will make us smile, and make us laugh, and help us all try to follow his example. We will always remember how he helped each of us live a very full life. "No Matter What"! God be with you all!

The Trusky family would like to thank the ALS group at the VA center and Dr Barkhause, for their kindness, and support throughout Harold's long illness. And a heartfelt thanks you to nurse Jamie, and the other caregivers at Compassionate Care Hospice, who cared for Harold these many months. Also, to Linda at the Paralized Veterans Milwaukee Group, and Mary at the ALS, Milwaukee Chapter, Support Group and their staffs.

Thank you to all of Harold's dear family and friends who gave constant support, love, and prayers, by visiting, calling, texting, sending cards, and hugs. He loved seeing you all and your visits always lifted his spirits. You are all the true meaning of "family and friends".

Visitation at the Funeral Home on Wednesday, May 2nd from 10:00 AM until time of Celebration of Life at 12 noon.

In lieu of flowers, a donation, to honor Harold, may be made to the ALS Association, www.alsa.org, or a charity of your choosing in Harold's honor.