



Frederick L. Braun Jr.

June 12, 1948 - October 4, 2020

Frederick L. Braun Jr., 72, of Sturgeon Bay, WI, died on Sunday, October 4, 2020 in the Javon Bea Hospital – Riverside, Rockford, IL.

He was born on June 12, 1948 in Rochester, MN, the son of Frederick and Hazel (Boschi) Braun Sr. Fred was a member of the Beloit Catholic High School class of 1966.

Fred started working in the automotive field at Bud Weiser Motors, Beloit, WI. He started Eagle Automotive, South Beloit, IL working out of his home. He later purchased Brunton Motor Parts, Beloit, WI in 1974 and has remained active in the business until his passing. His passion for auto racing started with drag race cars, running a 1955 Chev B/Gas at Byron, IL and Union Grove, WI. He later switched to road racing, driving the popular Chevrolet Camaro with his racing partner and long-time friend, Scott Shadel of Janesville, WI. Together they raced various Camaros in Sports Car Club Assoc. (SCCA), International MotorSports Assoc. (IMSA), and Trans-AM series. A racer to the end, Fred was currently helping his son as they ran a Camaro in the Sports Vintage Racing Assoc. (SVRA) travelling the country.

His passion for motorsports also shined through with his primary roles in the Greater Beloit Grand Prix which was started in 1993 by Beloit Rotary and later carried on by the Beloit Noon Lions.

Fred was a past member of Downtown Beloit Association (DBA) board, and current member of the Blackhawk Valley Region of SCCA board.

For the last 8 years, Fred had found a love of nature, and wood working. Building a log home in Sturgeon Bay, WI, his spare time had been dedicated to teaching himself the art of woodworking and furniture making.

Survivors include his children, Sonja (Matt) McCarty of Oklahoma, and Jason Braun of South Beloit, IL, Darin Van Fleet, Scott Van Fleet, both of Roscoe, IL; sister, Frances (Manuel) Morris of Oklahoma; grandchildren, David, Cameron, Cody, Madison, Megan, Cayden, Darin, Kaytie and Lexi; nephews Dan Dudek II, of Florida, Mark Morris of Oklahoma; great-nieces and nephew, Halee Jo Morris, Kala and Cody Teel of Oklahoma; great-great niece, Dempsey Gray Teel of Oklahoma; a special Aunt, Margaret Boschi of Beloit, WI; and many cousins.

He was predeceased by his parents and a grandson, Matthew.

The family would like to thank Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN for their many years of service. Visitation of remembrance will be from 2 to 6 p.m. on Sunday Oct. 11, 2020 in the Daley Murphy Wisch & Associates Funeral Home and Crematorium, 2355 Cranston Rd., Beloit, WI.

Funeral Service will be at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 in the St. Peter Catholic Church, 620 Blackhawk Blvd, South Beloit, IL, with Father Thomas Doyle officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Thabor Cemetery.

Cemetery

Events

**Mt. Thabor
Cemetery**

2222 Shopiere Road
Beloit, WI,

OCT Visitation 02:00PM - 06:00PM

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Daley Murphy Wisch & Associates Funeral Home and
Crematorium

2355 Cranston Road, Beloit, WI, US, 53511

OCT Service 11:00AM

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St. Peter Catholic Church

620 Blackhawk Boulevard, South Beloit, IL, US

Comments



“ Jason, I attended Beloit Catholic High with your wonderful father in the late 1960's. He was always better behaved than I was and he never seemed to get in trouble with the nuns. A smart man indeed.

I do remember that he was keenly interested in the hot muscle cars of the period from the Plymouth hemi to the GTO. Nobody was surprised when he landed on Board St. and became a leader in the business and in community events.

Perhaps more importantly Fred was a friend to everyone and you would never hear a negative word by or toward him.

He is missed.

David Luebke - October 16, 2020 at 10:48 PM



“ Brother you are a huge hole in my heart, you have been my “Big Brother” protector forever, mainly since Dad passed, I feel lost without you, you loved me unconditionally as you did many others. Fly high brother, I know you will be watching over me from above, I will never forget our weekly talks on the phone sometimes 2 or 3, we laughed, cried, you listened to me scream and yell, but at the end of the call I always got a “I Love You Sis”. I will be sad forever until I meet you at the family reunion in heaven above. Until then I'll see you later, I Love You Brother.

Fran Morris - October 12, 2020 at 10:35 PM



“ Saddened to hear of your father's passing Jason. Always enjoyed talking and hearing his thoughts and current projects. May you and your family find peace in your memories.

Doug and Mary Eddy



Mary Eddy - October 12, 2020 at 01:21 AM



“ So sorry to hear of Fred's passing. Enjoyed his race stories and being on BVR board with him. We'll miss him.

Ed Cheek - October 10, 2020 at 11:13 PM



“ Jason our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Brian could never say enough about how knowledgeable your Dad was. He also really looked up to him. Heaven gained a wonderful man We look forward to seeing him again in heaven sending love and hugs.
Brian and Nancy Holmes



Nancy Holmes - October 10, 2020 at 02:52 PM



“ Jason, I'm so sorry you lost your father. Sympathies to you and the family.

Gene Shep.... - October 09, 2020 at 09:31 PM



“ Dear Fred: It's tough to wright this because I don't want to believe your gone! We first met in about 1962 at Budweisers. I needed a clutch and you knew what would work. Over the years you helped me with many things in life, what ever problem I had, you had a solution . You were a sincere friend. I'm sure God needed another motor man, you and Smokey and Grumpy will have some great discussions. You couldn't have left a better young man to follow you, I could tell how proud you were of Jason. Rest In Peace my Friend. Steve Coon

Steve Coon - October 09, 2020 at 06:22 PM



“ We are so sad for all your family. Freddy was a dear and very special cousin. We have so many fond memories growing up together and looked forward to being together in recent years for many family celebrations. Our hearts are heavy but we know heaven is a lot brighter with Freddy smiling down on us. Much love to all of you. He was a great, great man. John and Mary Frances Boschi Nordlie and Frank Boschi

Mary Boschi Nordlie - October 11, 2020 at 12:28 AM



“ RIP Fred! You'll never be forgotten, I feel fortunate to have you as a friend!!!



Gary Glaser - October 09, 2020 at 06:10 PM



“ Don & Tara Tinder lit a candle in memory of Frederick L. Braun Jr.



Don & Tara Tinder - October 09, 2020 at 05:41 PM



“ Paul Hormig lit a candle in memory of Frederick L. Braun Jr.



Paul Hormig - October 09, 2020 at 04:16 PM



“ One day I met Fred(just like so many, many others) and we became friends forever. He was such an amazing Wonderfull complete person. Fred will always be remembered and missed...

Paul Hormig - October 09, 2020 at 04:22 PM



“ He was one of the smartest people I have ever met. He was knowledgeable in so many different areas. He was always ready to help anyone who came thru the door. He was a community leader who never asked for or cared about personal awards. He ran the downtown go cart races for years, entertaining thousands.
Congratulations
Fred Braun you had a great run. RIP Fred my boss and friend. Because of the pandemic
we will not be attending services.

So sorry to the family,

Love, Jim and Sandy Conery



James R. Conery - October 08, 2020 at 03:24 PM



“ Thank you Jimmy, Brother appreciated all your years of loyalty

Fran Morris - October 09, 2020 at 08:24 AM



“ Freddy, you left too soon! The world will forever miss your caring ways, your good-natured laugh and devotion to both family and work. Your strong resolve to carry on during the hard times will continue to serve as an example to the rest of us. Peace to you,
my friend.

Jeanne Boschi

Jeanne Boschi - October 08, 2020 at 11:00 AM



“ Judith K. Palmer lit a candle in memory of Frederick L. Braun Jr.



Judith K. Palmer - October 08, 2020 at 10:57 AM



“ So so damn sorry to have to say good bye to a great friend and greater person. We bumped along thru life and did not see each other for many years but that did not matter, one day or ten years, you were always there to help later in life. You were more like a brother even with all your problems you would ask me how the family was doing and the after 5pm talks were the best. My Codolences to Family!



Pat Jan Mockus - October 08, 2020 at 10:44 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Sonja McCarty - October 08, 2020 at 01:34 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Sonja McCarty - October 08, 2020 at 01:19 AM



“ 7 files added to the album Dad



Sonja McCarty - October 08, 2020 at 12:38 AM



“ Condolences to Jay and family from Bob & Kim (Kades Bumper to Bumper)

Kimatha Phillips - October 07, 2020 at 09:28 PM



“ May this candle shine forever. Our Love Bob Vicki Ciarpaglini



Vicki Bob Ciarpaglini - October 07, 2020 at 05:17 PM



“ Growing up as First Cousins was so special and fun. We had lots of cousins and neighborhood friends. As we grew older and matured we shared our Italian Pasta dishes that we remembered from our parents. We both loved cooking and eating. Now you're one step ahead of me and enjoying all the good times and memories with our loved ones in Heaven. I will always remember our fun times growing up. You will be so missed. Please give hugs to everyone in Heaven. Love you and save me a place at the table.

Vicki Ciarpaglini - October 07, 2020 at 05:11 PM



“ Jason and family.....so very sorry to learn this, my deepest condolences, Fred was an inspiration to me in any ways automotive wise and beyond

John Strom - October 12, 2020 at 11:44 AM