



Peter 'Pete' J. Vercauteren

December 30, 1948 - November 25, 2024

Peter James Vercauteren, 75, Green Bay passed away on Monday, November 25, 2024 at home. Peter was born on December 30, 1948 in Green Bay to Harold and Regina (Gerrits) Vercauteren. Peter grew up in De Pere and went to school at St. Boniface Grade School, Abott Pennings High School and Saint Norbert College in De Pere. On September 15, 1973 he married the former Donna Marciniak in Menasha. Peter was a Retail Buyer for several years at many prominent retail stores in the Green Bay area.

Through the years there were many memories that Pete held dear to his heart and some of the ones that he wanted to be known are:

Having his Dad Coach Gary and himself in Little League Baseball.

Playing pick-up Baseball games in the Brown County Fairgrounds until it got too dark to see the ball.

Playing Babe Ruth baseball Games against good teams in Northeast Wisconsin.

Getting selected as the all-conference football lineman of the year in his senior year at Abbot Pennings.

Starting four years at St. Norbert College in the Defensive Line.

Meeting Donna at the WIR Race Track in Kaukauna.

Enjoyed a Retail Career with Treasure Island, Shopko & Fleet Farm as a Buyer/Merchandise Manager.

Traveled to Hong Kong China five times on Buying Trips.

Thankful that my Dad got us interested in Auto Racing at an Early age.

As a family, we covered local Race Tracks for many Seasons. Great Family Anxiety!!

My Brother Jim got me interested in the St. Norbert Men's Hockey Program. Traveled to all of the SNC Men's Hockey National Tournament Appearances. We won five National Titles.

Thankful for all of the care and compassion shown by our friends in my final days.

Pete is survived by his wife: Donna, brother; Jim Vercauteren, 2 sisters and 1 brother-in-law: Diane (Tom) Stepien, Donna Kelly, 1 sister-in-law: Kay Vercauteren, 2 sisters-in-law: Mary Kemps and Toni Marciniak.

He was preceded in death by a brother: Gary Vercauteren, and an uncle-in-law: Tom Taylor.

Gathering of family and friends will be held from 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, November 30, 2024 at Green Bay First Church, 1460 Shawano Avenue. A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 A.M. with Rev. Matt Miller. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations may be made to Green Bay First Church (for Kingdom Builders) for community outreach

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (cst)

Green Bay First Church
1460 Shawano Avenue
Green Bay, WI 54304

Funeral Service

NOV **30**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (cst)

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Tribute Wall

MC

“ I was a fire with peter for seven years. Our officers were right next to each other. We used to meet at a restaurant. Ken always said the same restaurant, the same corner, the same waitress.

Michael Corey - May 29, 2025 at 04:42 PM

PA

“ Condolences to Donna and family. I met Pete in Lacrosse Wisconsin when we both worked for Shopko. He was always a pleasure to be around a true gentleman. He was a very talented buyer and had a knack for being on trend. My fondest memory was going to a race with Pete at Lacrosse Speedway and Dale Ernhart Sr. Was a guest racer . Dale lost the race as the local drivers worked together to block Ernhart! RIP Pete.

Paul Johnson

Paul - December 09, 2024 at 07:31 AM

DR

“ I am truly saddened to hear of Pete's passing. Pete and Donna were great neighbors for over 25 years. Missed talking with Pete over our fence when they moved 2 years ago due to his health. Pete was such a kind man loved having them as neighbors .He always had a smile and positive attitude and loved hearing about his writings and love of racing. Rest in peace dear friend. Sincere condolences Donna and family
Dianne and Richard Roffers

Dianne roffers - December 01, 2024 at 02:11 PM

MW

“ I got to know Pete through our mutual love for St. Norbert Hockey. Driving through the night with him and Scott to Lake Placid to witness their first National Championship was among my most cherished memories. It was great to visit Pete in late summer so we could revisit it one more time. This season as his health was declining it just hasn't been the same without him. There is definitely a hole in our community. I'm sad I will be unable to attend his service to honor him, although since it's to support my son playing high school hockey I'm certain Pete would understand. Prayers for Donna in this very difficult time and God Bless Pete and his kind and caring soul.

*Mark Wafle
De Pere, WI*

Mark Wafle - November 27, 2024 at 11:34 PM

KB

“ My Dad (Ken) and I met Pete through St. Norbert hockey in the late 1990s. The two are synonymous for us. We always enjoyed our visits at the Cornerstone over the years, or in Stevens Point when I was in college, or at MSOE when I moved to the Milwaukee area and Pete would travel for the team's away games. I'll miss his emails on how the team looked each week throughout each season. Our favorite memory was back in 2006 when my Dad and I rode out to Elmira, NY in the back of the Suburban with Pete and three other guys for SNC's NCAA championship run. It was a long 17 hour car ride, but a fun experience. We sure got a kick out of pulling into the parking ramp and hearing "New York Groove" blasting throughout the parking ramp prior to the game. I probably could have done without listening to the NASCAR race on the radio on the ride home though, haha!

I am thankful for the memories. We'll miss you, Pete. #GKP

*Our sincere condolences to Donna and Pete's family and friends.
Kelly (Briggs) & Ken Vant
Fredonia, WI / Shawano, WI*

Kelly Briggs - November 27, 2024 at 08:52 PM

JV

“ I grew up reading every single word and enjoying every picture Pete and his brothers took during the stock car racing revolution in NE Wisconsin in the 1970s and 1980s.

Pete served as a true writing mentor to me - and for that I'll always remain grateful.

Pete was a major contributor with photos and other tidbits for several of my books.

A great guy who'll be missed. Condolences to Donna and the rest of the family.

*Joe Verdegan
Dunbar, WI*

Joe Verdegan - November 27, 2024 at 01:36 PM