

Resident Spotlight



Eugene was born and raised in Beaver Dam, WI. While in school he was in the Glee Club and played the clarinet. After graduating he started working for Green Giant in the plant. After a couple of years he was drafted into the Army where he drove a 3/4 ton truck and was also a cook. The Army also sent him to school for Advanced Leadership

Training. When he returned home he reunited with his sweetheart, Junita, and they started their family of three - twin boys and a girl. Gene went back to Green Giant and quickly worked his way up the ladder to Warehouse Forman, and then Plant Supervisor. He finally retired after 41 years! Gene enjoyed going on vacations with his family. He was also active with his church and was on the Finance Committee there, and also sang Tenor in the church choir. Gene was also a member of the American Legion for over 69 years! He enjoyed gardening and loves to play cards. We are glad you are here, Gene!

Resident Testimonial



Phyllis G.

“I love living at Emerald Bay because I don't have to do anything except hold my coke at Happy Hour! I don't have to cook, clean, or do laundry. The staff is really friendly and I get help with everything I need. I enjoy many of the fun activities, especially exercise class and Bingo.”



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February Birthdays at Emerald Bay!

Happy Birthday!

February 3rd– Bill M.

February 10th– Harry R.

February 13th– Corrine C.

February 20th– Eileen A.

February 20th– Marlene K.

February 23rd– Pam M.



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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Happy February! I hope everyone has a great month and enjoys the weather as it hopefully starts to warm up. We have a lot of fun activities happening throughout the month so make sure to join in and enjoy yourself!



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Meet Our New Residents!



Dick was born and raised on his home farm in Pulaski, WI. After he graduated he drove a gravel truck for a couple of years and then joined the Army where he served for about 2 years. When Dick returned he went to Badger Business College in Green Bay for Accounting. He and his wife, Mary Ann, raised six wonderful children. During his career he worked in accounting for Karcz Ford for over 19 years, and then for the Green Bay Packers for just as long. After retiring, he and Mary Ann would often spend their winters in Florida. He loved to volunteer for the Pulaski Senior Center, Meals on Wheels, and also help drive elderly residents to their appointments. Dick was active in his church, and was also a member of the American Legion in Pulaski. Some of the residents might have seen Dick in the past few years as his legion comes to Emerald Bay for the Veteran's Day Ceremony to do the 21-Gun Salute. Dick loved to play golf and bowl. He also loves to play cards, especially sheepshead. Welcome Dick!



Barb was born and raised in Oconto Falls, WI. In high school she sang in the choir and was on the girl's basketball team. During and after high school she worked for her father's drug store and pharmacy in Oconto Falls, and then went to pharmacy school in Madison. She then returned to Oconto Falls and married a wonderful man, John, and they started their family of four. While raising her children she continued to work at her dad's store, and also worked part time for a friends furniture store. Barb enjoyed volunteering for the local food panty and library. She also worked with the Brownie's and Girl Scouts for many years. Barb started golfing with her father when she was seven years old and was also a golf coach for high school students. She also enjoys reading, bowling, and was in the choir at her church. Welcome Barb!



Ed was born and raised on a farm in Angelica, which is part of Pulaski, WI. After he graduated he worked for a couple of years for the sewer and water department in Pulaski. He was then drafted in to the Army where he served for a couple of years, first under General McArthur in North Korea, and then in Southern Korea. He returned to his old job for about a year and then married his sweetheart, Beatrice, and they started their family of eight. Ed worked for DeCoster Construction all over Wisconsin for over 25 years. He loves to fish, hunt, and is a big fan of western movies. Ed admits that one of his favorite pass times is drinking beer! Welcome Ed!

Kim lived in Gillet, WI, most of her life. In school she played Alto Sax in the band, and also played the organ in church sometimes. She was also active in the Brownie's, Girl Scouts, and 4H Club. In high school she was voted Best Looking and Best Smile. Before graduating she started working part time for OJ's Midtown Restaurant. After graduating she continued waitressing and also worked part time for Schneider National while she attended NWTTC for Secretarial Science. After tech school she stayed with Schneider for 17 years. She then took a job at American Express Property Casualty Insurance for 7 years. She also worked a season at JC Penny, and for 3 years for APAC doing customer service. She is married to her high school sweetheart, Tom. When they were younger they loved to travel and took several cruises and went on trips to the Bahama's and many other islands. Welcome Kim!

BAKA presents **EMERALD BAY** RETIREMENT COMMUNITY & MEMORY CARE **Dates to Remember** Events happening in February

February 2nd– Cavin Fever Bus Ride

February 9th– Make Valentine Fresh Flower Arrangements

February 14th- Valentine's Tea Party

February 15– Resident Council & Root Beer Float Social

February 16th– Genesis Activity, Pizza Party and Music

February 23rd– Cooking with Matt



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Emily is originally from Freedom but now lives in Seymour. She has worked here at Emerald Bay for about four months now. Her favorite part of her job is making the residents laugh and smile along with their families! For fun Emily enjoys, crocheting, carpentry, crafting, and hanging out with her dog Whiskey. Whiskey is a Bloodhound and means the world to her! We are so glad you are apart of our team, Emily!



GENESIS REHAB SERVICES

Heart disease is the leading cause of death and a major cause of disability in the United States. About 600,000 Americans die of heart disease annually. This represents almost 25% of all U.S. deaths. To raise awareness of this disease, February has been recognized as "American Heart Month".

Some conditions, such as high cholesterol, high blood pressure, and diabetes, as well as lifestyle factors, such as unhealthy diet, obesity, physical inactivity, and alcohol and tobacco use, can put people at a higher risk for developing heart disease. A tendency toward heart disease can cluster in families; thus, family medical history offers important information for identifying risk in individuals. Such histories can capture the effects and interactions of shared genetic and environmental factors that lead to disease in a family.

Several genetic disorders are associated with increased risk of premature heart attacks. A relatively common disorder is familial hypercholesterolemia, which causes high levels of "bad" cholesterol (low density lipoprotein, or LDL cholesterol). About one out of 500 people in the United States inherit this condition. Early detection of this disorder can help reduce the burden of heart disease in the person with hypercholesterolemia as well as in their family members. In the future, genetic testing to determine personal risk estimates for heart disease may also prove useful, but this approach has not yet been scientifically validated.

The chance of developing heart disease can be reduced by taking steps to prevent and control factors that put people at greater risk. Individuals can help prevent heart disease by eating a healthy diet, maintaining a healthy weight, exercising regularly, limiting alcohol use, and not smoking. If you would like to inquire about an individualized exercise program please contact your onsite therapy provider, Genesis Rehab Services at 920-600-8583.

References: <https://www.cdc.gov/genomics/resources/diseases/heart.htm>



~Remembering Our Friends~



Aurelia R. Nowak, 91, Hobart, passed away peacefully, January 15, 2022, at Emerald Bay Memory Care Facility, Hobart, with her nieces at her side. The daughter of Peter and Frances (Wisniewski) Nowak was born September 4, 1930, in Angelica. Aurelia grew up in the Pulaski area and graduated from Pulaski

High School with the class of 1949. Following high school she worked at the Pulaski Shoe Factory and Green Bay Packaging in Green Bay. Aurelia moved to Milwaukee in the 1960's. She worked and lived there for over 50 years, working at George Meyer, Milwaukee Resistor, and in the school cafeteria until her retirement at age 76 in 2006. Aurelia loved watching cardinals, crocheting, listening to Lawrence Welk, tending her flowers, and making an occasional trip to the casino. The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the Emerald Bay Memory Care staff, especially Jalynn, and the Heartland Hospice Team for the outstanding care provided to Aurelia. They would also like to thank Chaplin Josh and Fr. Matt for guiding her spiritually.



Mary Ann Wudtke, 80, Sobieski, passed away peacefully, Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at Aurora Baycare Medical Center, Green Bay. The daughter of Richard and Bernice (Niemczyk) Oshefsky was born August 20, 1941, in Green Bay. Mary Ann graduated from Gillett High School with the class of 1959. On July 8, 1961, she married Virgil "Woody" Wudtke at White Clay

Lake Church. Mary Ann was a homemaker until her daughters grew older, then worked as a sales clerk for Fleet Farm for 27 years, until her retirement in 2004. She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church, Pulaski. Mary Ann enjoyed making candy and canning. She loved her flowers and her cats, especially, Sadie. After her retirement she enjoyed going on bus trips with Virgil.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Aurora Baycare, Emerald Bay Assisted Living, and Rennes Rehab Center for the wonderful care.



Barbara Lee Sponenburg, 71, Hobart, passed away peacefully, Monday, January 17, 2022, at Aurora Baycare Medical Center, Green Bay. The daughter of William and Ruth (Christenson) Aaron was born, July 13, 1950, in Waukegan, IL.

Barbara was a graduate of Waukegan High School with the class of 1968. She married Robert Sponenburg on May 23, 1970, in Kenosha. Barbara stayed at home with their children until they were older then worked as a cashier at Palmen convenience store, Super Ron's and Festival Foods until her retirement in 2014. She was a 4H leader in Kenosha and was a member of Assumption B.V.M. Parish in Pulaski. Barbara was an avid reader and Packers fan. She enjoyed watching sports on tv, an occasional trip to the casino, going out for lunch with her friends and visiting Shipshewana, IN with her friends Gary and Nardine. Most of all, she loved spending time with her grandchildren.

The family would like to thank the staffs at Emerald Bay and 2nd floor at Aurora for the wonderful care given to Barbara.

~Remembering Our Friends Cont.~



Margaret Rose Morris, 94, of Green Bay, passed away Friday, January 21, 2022. She was born on December 29, 1927, to John and Myrtle (Gilbert) Brittnacher. She grew up on the family farm in Greenleaf where she learned the values that she carried throughout

her whole life. Margaret graduated from Wrightstown High School in 1945. After high school she worked several jobs finishing her career at Fort Howard Paper Company. Margaret married Robert Morris on June 29, 1953.

Margaret had an amazing outlook on life. She was the anchor for her family and loved to care for her grandchildren. Margaret had a way to make everyone feel special, loved, and cared for. She always saw the best in everybody.

She was very active her whole life. Margaret enjoyed gardening and canned her harvest – she made the best salsa. She loved to cook, and her large Sunday dinners were a staple in her home. She loved being outdoors working in her yard, watching the birds, going to garage sales and camping. Margaret loved her coffee and sweets and enjoyed reading a good book. Margaret always worked out, enjoyed walking and Tai Chi, even teaching yoga in her younger years.

Margaret was a woman of strong faith, and she lived this faith in all aspects of her life. She enjoyed reading the Bible and attending Mass. She volunteered at St. Vincent de Paul and truly would help anyone in need. She took in many relatives that needed help. Her family and friends knew what a saint Margaret was to so many people and what a blessing she was to all.



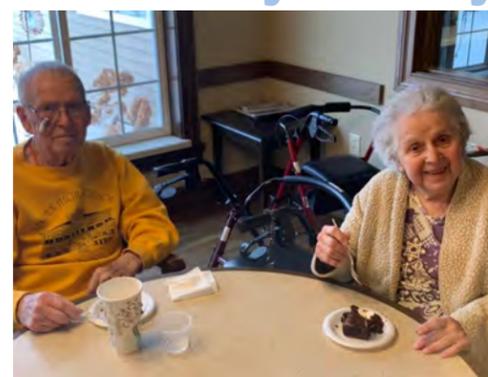
Franklin S. Fontaine, age 80, former Upper Michigan resident passed away Sunday January 16, 2022 at Emerald Bay Assisted Living in Hobart, WI surrounded by his loving family.

Born, April 8, 1941 in Marquette, MI, a son of Alfred and Dorothy (Spear) Fontaine. Frank was a very proud member of the United States Army where he was stationed in Germany. Germany is where his driving career started along with his love of cars. After he returned from Germany he continued his path of driving. He was a member of the Teamsters Union, he drove logging trucks, he drove many years for MJ Electric, he has also been an over the road truck driver for some time, a car salesman, and in his later years he drove motor coach for Lamers Bus Lines. His favorite trip to make with Lamers was to Estes Park, Colorado. He had a love of mountains. It's where he found peace.

Frank had the privilege of owning many cars over the years and it was definitely his passion. In any conversation with him it was inevitable that the type of car he was driving at the time would come up in any story. Known by many friends and family as "Frankster the Gangster" Frank's sense of humor was second to none. His laugh was incredible and through his final weeks he continued to bring everyone around him laughs and smiles. Humor was how he got through the hard parts in life. He also found incredible joy in helping people when he could. He was proud of the Hobart-Lawrence Police Department K9 program. He wanted to do what he could to give back to his community.

Our sincerest thank you to Emerald Bay Retirement Home, Heartland Hospice, and Ryan Funeral Home for all they've done for Frank over the last few weeks.

Fun Times in January Emerald Bay Memory Care



Social Hour



Live Entertainment



Kerplunk

~ Remembering Our Friends Cont. ~



Kenneth George Verheyden, 77, Pulaski, passed away Friday, January 28, 2022. The son of Earl and Geneva (Gerrits) Verheyden was born on February 2, 1944, in Green Bay.

Ken grew up in the Kunesh area and graduated from Pulaski High School. He married Patricia Ann Thyges on October 17, 1964, in Flintville, at Ss. Edward & Isidore Church. Together they operated a farm in Kunesh. Ken worked at Industrial Engraving for 44 years. He also worked a second job at Slezewski Gas Station.

Ken also helped organize the Pittsfield Trap Association and was its President for 40 years. He was secretary for 50 years of the Chase Sportsman's club that raised pheasants for release and the required fundraising. He also received recognition (15 years) as a certified Hunter Safety Instructor by the Wisconsin DNR.

Ken enjoyed hunting and fishing, squeezing in 4-6 Canada trips up to Bojo Camp, Sioux Lookout each summer. Family time was spent up the cottage on Crooked Lake. Deer hunting near Crooked Lake was also scheduled for November.

Ken, Pat and friends enjoyed traveling; Hawaii, Jamaica, and Las Vegas to name a few. Ken also enjoyed playing cards cribbage and especially sheephead.

Ken's family is especially thankful to the caregivers and staff of Emerald Bay in Hobart.



Mathew James Nooyen, 94, passed away of natural causes on January 28, 2022, at his home while surrounded by his family. Mathew was born on July 1, 1927, to the late Frank and Alma Nooyen in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Matt was a boy when his father passed away from a heart attack while responding to a fire as a Fire Captain in the Green Bay Fire Department. This tragic loss thrust Matt into the role of "man of the family" and it would shape his values and resolve for the remainder of his life. At 17 he enlisted in the US Navy while World War II was still raging in the Pacific and served his country until he was honorably discharged. He remained an honorable patriot his entire life. Matt was a man of faith and devoted Catholic who displayed the tenets of love, forgiveness and humility every day of his life.

Matt was no stranger to hard work during his life. His early jobs as a young boy with a paper route and in his teen years helping his cousins on commercial fishing boats on the waters of Green Bay set a template for his life of diligence. He was later employed as a proud union worker for the next several decades as he selflessly provided for his family. Work, discipline, frugality and faith were the hallmarks of his life. On February 13, 1954 he married June (Thomas) and they would share nearly 68 years together as they built a family bound together by their shared values and individual talents. June was by his side when he passed away and during his entire period of convalescence as further evidence of their shared devotion and fidelity. They built a wonderful life together and traveled to Hawaii, San Diego, Boston, and, as Matt described it - "a trip of a lifetime" to Washington DC.

Matt was a lifelong resident of Green Bay and proudly loved his city. He would marvel at the changes in Green Bay, particularly around Lambeau Field, a neighborhood where he lived most of his life with his family. He was a true son of Green Bay, working as boy as a pin setter in the bowling alley owned by Packer great Don Hutson and many years later -being one of the fans who attended the "Ice Bowl".

Matt was an avid fan of aviation starting as a young boy captivated by the exploits of the early days of airplane travel. In later years he made his yearly journey to attend the EAA and to view vintage airplanes. This keen interest enabled him to tell the different types of engines of the planes as they flew overhead.

Mathew's family would like to extend their gratitude to the staff of Emerald Bay Retirement Community and of Heartland Hospice for their wonderful care and compassion.

Fun Times in January Emerald Bay Retirement Community



Card Making



Cooking Club



Music by Margaret

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Dates to Remember

Events happening in February Memory Care

February 10th– Goldeen Music

February 13th– Super Bowl Party

February 14th– Valentines Day Social

February 16th– Resident Council

February 23rd– Music with John

February 27th– National Chocolate Cake Day Social



RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT



Lois was born and raised in Green Bay, along with her brother and sister, who she still shares close ties with more than 80 years later. She's called Emerald Bay her home for over two years now! Following her graduation from East HS in Green Bay, Lois married Don, her high school sweetheart. Over the next 10 years, she and Don went on to have three sons and two daughters. They spent the majority of their married life together in Ashwaubenon, where they were charter members of Nativity of Our Lord Parish, as well as huge Packer fans. Lois worked for Schneider National in the HR department for many years. In her spare time, Lois took pleasure in golfing, bowling, seeing movies, and playing cards. Once the children were out of their own it was time for Lois and Don to make the most of their free time. They loved traveling together and even went to Graceland, Las Vegas, DC, Cancun, and Mexico. Family is the utmost importance to Lois and she feels blessed to have such a close family. Following retirement, Lois & Don were able to purchase the cottage they'd always wanted. The one they chose was on Surprise Lake in Townsend. They enjoyed taking guests for pontoon rides along the lake. In addition to spending time at the cottage, Lois enjoyed gardening and had quite the green thumb! She also always enjoyed singing and dancing. Wherever she is, whether it be at home or at an activity, Lois can always be heard laughing. We are so glad you are here, Lois!