



## Gregory K Skarstad

November 15, 1945 - September 14, 2020

Gregory K. “Greg” Skarstad, 74, of Herscher, passed away Sept. 14, 2020 at Miller Rehabilitation Center after a long illness.

He was born in Urbana, Il. Nov. 15, 1945. He was the son of Everett Fuoss and Barbara (Jones). At age 5 he became the son of James Skarstad and Barbara (Jones). They precede him in death. He married Wendy Underdahl Aug 15, 1966. They lived in Champaign, Il.

Greg’s first job was as a brakeman on the Illinois Central Railroad. In 1969 he was employed at RR Donnelley & Sons in Dwight and moved to Herscher at that time. He worked there 37 years. His next job was at Leiser Furniture in Herscher. He loved working there as he was a real “people person”.

He loved to golf and after retirement spent many days playing golf with his great group of “old guys” at High Point Golf Course in Essex. He was an avid Bears and Cubs fan. He was on the Herscher Labor Day parade committee for over 40 years.

James Skarstad was a career Air Force man and Greg’s travels started at a young age with his first trip on the Al-Can highway driving to Alaska. He and Wendy met in England when both of their Air Force dads were stationed there in 1963. They were avid travelers and went to all 50 states and most of Europe and Canada. They had many exceptional travel experiences.

He is survived by his wife, Wendy, his brother Kim Fuoss (Phyllis) of Gibson City, his sister in law, Diana Masters (Dave) of Laguna Woods, Ca. He is also survived by niece Pam Fuoss Adkins and nephew Craig Fuoss of Gibson City, Il and nephew Mark Wilson (Maria) of Aliso Viejo, Ca. and Scott Wilson (Katri) of Saudi Arabia.

He is proceeded in death by his daughter, Stacy, his son, Christopher and his canine sidekick, Bubba.

Per his request, cremation rites will be accorded and a celebration of Greg's life will be at a later date due to Covid restrictions.

Memorials may be made to Ronald McDonald House at Comer Children's Hospital or Uplifted Care/Hospice of Kankakee River Valley.

Please sign his online guestbook at [schrefflerfuneralhomes.com](https://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com).

# Comments

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“ a yellow leaf

touches the green ones

as it falls.....

Jim and Danya Tomlinson

**Danya Tomlinson** - September 21, 2020 at 05:19 PM

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“ Dear Wendy,  
So sorry to hear of the loss of your Greg! You are on my heart. May each new day bring you peace  
Love always,  
Beth Schafer

**Beth Schafer** - September 19, 2020 at 10:57 AM

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“ Greg has been a friend since 1963-'64 when we were all in high school in Lakenheath, England. He was one of the nicest, kindest people I have ever known. I loved his sense of humor and friendly nature. He will surely be missed.  
Wendy, I am so sorry for your loss. Please accept my sincerest sympathy. I so enjoyed following Greg and your traveling adventures.  
God bless you. I'm here if you need me.

**Dianne Lewis** - September 19, 2020 at 12:41 AM

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“ I attended Lakenheath High School with both Greg and Wendy. I have many memories of Greg during the Class trip to Rome in 1964. I was only a sophomore but was able to go along. He, Lani Skousen , and my sister Dianne Lewis shared a lot of time together on that trip.  
He was a one of the good guys.  
May he rest in peace.  
Prayers and thoughts and hugs to you Wendy and the rest of the family.

Sanra Lewis Schwartz

Sandra Lewis Schwartz - September 17, 2020 at 10:06 PM

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“ I'll always be so grateful for Greg's support and willingness to help out on my documentary projects. He was such a good sport doing take after take playing his role as a dinner party host. My condolences.

Tom Desch - September 16, 2020 at 05:18 PM

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“ Our hearts are with you Wendy. We will fondly remember Greg's sense of humor and mischievous smile and picture him with Bubba by his side.

Linda Rathjen - September 15, 2020 at 08:12 PM

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“ Way too soon, my friend. I always hoped we'd be the last of the LHSers, and that we'd still be telling anyone who'd listen that we'd known each other since 6th grade. We had some great times over the years with visits in Herscher, Chicago, Milton and at LHS reunions all over the country. Will miss you, my friend.

Greg Rathjen - September 15, 2020 at 07:50 PM

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“ Our condolences to you Wendy and all of Greg's friends and family. He always had a joke to share and we had so much fun seeing you two. Much love to you Wendy!!!  
You will always have a special place in our hearts.  
Mitch & Kathy Mastalsz

Kathy Mastalsz - September 15, 2020 at 05:38 PM



“ Rest in peace and watch over us now with all our other angels. You are my second big brother. Your smile, humor and zest for life will be missed but will always be in our hearts and memories.

**Marsha Dunlap** - September 15, 2020 at 04:36 PM

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“ Mariann Jones lit a candle in memory of Gregory K Skarstad



**Mariann Jones** - September 15, 2020 at 04:11 PM



“ Rest In Peace, Gregory.

Joe and I will always remember you and cherish our last trip together in June 2017 in Colorado Springs and Durango. Love you always!

**Donna Shugrue** - September 15, 2020 at 04:20 PM



“ Greg, you will be missed. to many great times together to count, a life well lived.

**Rich Jones** - September 15, 2020 at 09:16 PM



“ Sorry for your loss Windy and family and friends, Prayers of comfort to all,RIP Greg.

**Bobby and Dana Warhurst** - September 15, 2020 at 11:51 PM



“ Just short of 60 years of good memories, Greg. You and Wendy are in our hearts.

**Les Dyer** - September 16, 2020 at 10:47 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to Wendy and the family. Greg was a terrific guy! May he RIP.

**Jim Jarrell** - September 17, 2020 at 02:30 PM



“ High school was a special time for us and Greg and Wendy were an integral part of my fond memories. We Air Force brats really partied in Rome on our senior trip! I'm glad we reconnected at the LHS reunions. Greg was a good classmate, a friend to everyone, and he became a good man whom we lost too soon. Bob and I are so sorry, Wendy.

**Judy Bennett Might** - September 18, 2020 at 01:15 PM



“ You have born more than your share of sorry with such grace and resilience. This is so unfair. May you enjoy the memories you made together and find peace. We are so sorry for your loss.

**Chris Ashman** - September 19, 2020 at 11:27 AM