



William O. Skaggs

April 21, 1948 - March 21, 2026

William O. “Bill” Skaggs, age 77, passed away on March 21, 2026, at Aurora Medical Center.

Bill was born in Racine on April 21, 1948, to the late Hassel and Anna “Louise” Skaggs. He was a proud graduate of Horlick High School and went on to serve his country honorably in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Bill was a life member of V.F.W. Post 10301.

Following his military service, Bill dedicated 35 years of hard work to S.C. Johnson, where he built a lasting career before retiring in 2005. On August 17, 1974, he was united in marriage to the love of his life, Susan “Sue” Stogny, with whom he shared 51 wonderful years.

Bill had a passion for working with his hands and was truly a “jack of all trades” who could fix just about anything. He especially enjoyed building and restoring his 1955 Chevy, attending classic car shows, riding his Harley, and collecting and restoring vintage gas pumps. He was happiest in his garage, always tinkering and fixing things.

He was well known for his Saturday “Garage Gatherings” and for hosting annual pig roasts for the Johnson gang, bringing friends and family together with laughter and good food. Bill also cherished time spent with his family—

watching his grandchildren swim and play, relaxing at his place up north, and enjoying winters in Florida.

Bill will be dearly missed by his loving wife, Susan; his children, Ryan (Amanda) of Waukesha and Kelly Skaggs of Sturtevant; his beloved grandchildren, Annalee and Addison; his siblings: Brenda (Edward) Vite of Kenosha, Corrine (the late Steven) Etchison of Racine, Mary J. Skaggs of Racine, and Robert (Margaret) of Milwaukee; his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, John and Nancy Stogny of Minnesota; as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, and Aunt Jackie.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Randall "Joe" Skaggs.

In accordance with Bill's wishes, cremation will take place and no formal services will be held.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, P.O. Box 50, Memphis, TN 38101.

Tribute Wall

WB

“ To Bill's family we are sorry for your loss. Bill was a great guy, we had many laughs and good times in and out of work. Loved to see him at the auto shows. Bill and my wife (LeLar) became very close as they worked together at Johnson's. She often called him her protector. He will be missed. RIP good buddy.
Will & LeLar Beadles

Will Beadles - March 29 at 09:40 PM



“ Bill was a friend of my Dad, Wayne Coey. I remember going to parties with my Dad at Bill and Sue's house at the bottom of Chicago St Hill. Bill had a 1968 Chevelle SS that he sold to my Dad. He sold it back to Bill, he ended up crashing it. What a car! I started working at Johnson Wax in December 1989, that's when I met Bill again. My cousin Terry worked with Bill on Bldg 60 dock until Bill's retirement. Bill always had a great sense of humor and was a great story teller. Peace be with you! Sc

Shannon Coey - March 29 at 08:15 PM

KW

“ I love how Bill would make me laugh. That infectious smile and love he had for everyone he came across - friends or family. Cousin Billy, you will definitely be missed. Until we see each other again, I hope your wings a shining as bright as the sun. Please give all of our loved ones a big hug now that you have a seat at their table. Maybe a special hug for our son Michael 💕💕

Love you Billy

Karleen Winkelman - March 26 at 01:52 AM

JS

“ This memory is from 60 years ago. Bill and I would go smelt fishing by Wind Point. It was good time, good talk, good fishing, and good Boone’s Farm. The only bad part was going home at 2 a.m. and cleaning a 5 gal. Bucket full of smelt.

John Stogny - March 25 at 02:08 PM



“ Going to the Jefferson car show/swap meet, enjoying Big Bar ice cream bars and grabbing hamburgers at a small stand in town .

Ron Meyer - March 24 at 08:42 PM



“ My favorite memory of my cousin Bill was my very first motorcycle ride on his chopper when I was 12 years old. I have loved riding my whole life thanks Bill. Rest in Peace Love Vickie

Vickie Sabo - March 24 at 06:40 PM