

## **Kerry Lea Wilcox**

A Celebration of Life: 2pm Saturday March 25, 2023  
Gilman Funeral Home

Visitation: one hour prior to services and reception to follow



**Kerry Lea Wilcox** (Tripping Turkey), 69, of Gilman, WI passed away on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at his home from natural causes. He was born on August 31, 1953 in Duluth, MN the son of the late Kenneth and Pauline (Privett) Wilcox. Kerry's family moved to Wausau, WI as a young teen, graduated from Wausau West High in 1971 and was married to his former wife, Barb (Marone) Wilcox for 36 years. He owned Northland Wood Floors and worked as a volunteer First Responder/EMT for many years before attaining his nursing degree from NTC, all while helping raise his family on pancakes, undercooked rice dishes and a sense of humor. He worked in several facilities as a nurse, but had a special gift for working with the elderly. After his "retirement" he moved to South Dakota and started a leather business, Double T Leather. Eventually he moved to Gilman in 2019 where he has lived since. He developed many friendships while bartending at Grand Central Station Bar & Grill - Gilman. Kerry enjoyed fishing, kayaking and rocking on his back porch swing. He spent many years reenacting, telling stories to anyone with ears and creating a business out of anything he could craft, particularly leather and woodwork. He played the mountain dulcimer and a mean radio. He is survived by his two daughters, Kathy (John) Hannie of Wausau and Becky (Lucas) Olli of Stratford; 6 grandchildren (Tressa, Tyler, Makayla, Summer, Marshall and Mitchell); 3 great grandchildren (Jeremy, McKenzie and Apollo); his mother, Pauline Majchrzak; his step mother, Clarine (Doug) Hollowell-Wilcox; his siblings, Keith (Wendy) Wilcox, Tim Majchrzak, Barb (Lyle) Gehrke, Diane (John) Luse, Suzanne Ching, Kenny Wilcox; his beloved dog, Mitzi as well as multiple nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his second love of 11 years, Bemadette Peterson; father, brother, Dan Majchrzak; sister, LuAnne Klemme; and nephew, Corey Wilcox.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Gilman Funeral Home at 2pm on March 25, 2023.

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*The family would like to thank all the Gilman First Responders and Grand Central Station Bar & Grill for their efforts and kindness.*