

## Obituary – Dr. William John Kuchler

Dr. William John Kuchler brother of the Rev. Kathryn Rust passed away peacefully on February 22, 2018 at the age of 68. Bill grew up in Elm Grove and taught at Lakeland (College) University in Sheboygan, where he held the position of Athletic Director for several years, coached basketball and golf and was on the faculty. Bill graduated from Carroll (College) University and played on the basketball team. He signed a two-year contract to play basketball for the New Zealand Basketball team. He received his Masters from University of WI – Milwaukee and his doctorate in Sport Management from the United States Sports Academy. He was on the faculty of other Colleges/Universities in Wisconsin, Virginia and North Carolina. Bill was passionate about golf and taught/mentored numerous people on the finer points of golf. Two years ago, he retired to Memphis, TN across the street from a golf course and played weekly.

He is survived by his beloved wife Luanne (nee Bailey), loving father of Adrienne Kuchler-Eldridge (Jason) and Kirstin Kuchler, proud grandpa of Hudson Eldridge. Additionally, he leaves sisters Jean Waid, Margaret (Keith) Bell-Pignolet and James Kuchler (Kris Nichols). Brother in law of Barbara Keen (Richard) and Margaret Goff (David) Also survived by Kyle Turcotte(Starla) Colin Turcotte(Katie) and Ian Turcotte. Also survived by Aunt Joanne Koehn, cousin, Charlie (Sarah) Koehn, family friend Nancy Patterson, and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He also leaves his loving dogs. Preceded in death by his parents Alene and Robert Kuchler. There was a Celebration of his Life at his beloved golf course on Feb 25, 2018. He was very much loved.

Memorials may be directed to U.S.Kids Golf-The First Tee.