



## Norb Pischke

March 8, 1926 - February 8, 2020

Norbert Edward Pischke, 93, of Venetian Village and Lake Villa, IL passed away on Saturday, February 8, 2020.

He was born in Chicago on March 8, 1926, the third of twelve children of the late Martin and Rose Pischke. Norb graduated from Kelvyn Park High School in 1944 where he was active in basketball and golf and was elected Vice President of his graduating class.

In 1946 he entered the Army and was awarded a WWII Victory Medal as well as an Army of Occupation Medal after serving in South Korea.

He later started working for Illinois Tool Works in Chicago (where he met his beloved wife Betty). Holding various positions from Designer of Metal Cutting Tools to Manager of Quality Control, Norb was very proud of his contributions to ITW and would always remind people that "You are never more than a few feet away from a product of ITW." After 38 years of service, he retired from ITW at age 57.

Deciding that he was not quite ready to fully retire, he started working at Lake County Management Services in 1983. There he held various positions but when he retired in 1992 he was Manager of Map Services.

Norb served 10 years (one as president) on the Grayslake Community High School Board of Education. He also served on the Venetian Village Civic Association (as president for two years).

His Christian faith was very important to him. He was a charter member of St. Mark Lutheran Church in Lindenhurst, IL since 1961. Over the course of many years, he helped the church grow by holding various positions such as Sunday School Teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, Treasurer, Council Member, and President of the Congregation.

Norb loved all sports but really enjoyed playing ping pong with his church buddies up until

his mid 80's.

One of the recent accomplishments that he was so proud of was completing his book "A Historical Overview and Echoes from Three Lakes and a Village."

He is survived by his loving wife of 68 years, Betty Helen Pischke (nee Nurnberg); children Holly (Nick) Azzone, Mark (Melonie) Pischke, and Jon (Julie) Pischke; grandchildren Kim Stepp, Michael (Heather) Sooley, Shannon (Jeffery) LaPuma, Sara (Mike) Lewis, Amanda (Billy) Anderson, Kristin (Mike) Rosendahl, Nick (Tiffany) Azzone, and Owen Pischke; great-grandchildren Mason, Hadly, Aaron, Jacob, Chase, Ava, Megara, Clio, Anthony, Camden, Giuseppe, and Giuliana; and by his siblings Robert (late Corrine) Pischke and Audrey (Dan) Kwiatkowski.

He was preceded in death by his sons Neal (late Judith) Pischke and Rex (Linda, surviving) Pischke, and by his siblings Martin (late Rose), Lawrence (late Laverne), Marlis (George, surviving) Pleickhardt, Roland, Rosemarie (late Frank) Bigden, Dorothy (late Earl) Kelly, Donald, Arthur, and Raymond (Sorrell, surviving).

Visitation and viewing will be 9 - 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 15, 2020 at St Mark Lutheran Church, 1822 E. Grand Ave, Lindenhurst, IL 60046. A funeral service will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday at the church. Cremation will take place privately.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **15**. 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Mark Lutheran Church  
1822 E. Grand Ave.  
Lindenhurst, IL 60046  
(847) 356-8140

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Norb Pischke*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Norb Pischke*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM

WD

“ *Norb was a great man that my family was honored to know for so many years!  
Our deepest sympathies to the Pischke family.*

**Wayne & Karen (Stockland) Dahl** - February 13, 2020 at 03:40 PM

DO

“ *Dr. Michael & Renee Klass and dental office purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Norb Pischke.*



**Dr. Michael & Renee Klass and dental office** - February 13, 2020 at 02:59 PM

JJ

“ *Jeff, Karen, Andy & Matt Jones purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Norb Pischke.*



**Jeff, Karen, Andy & Matt Jones** - February 13, 2020 at 12:54 PM

BK

“ I would see Norbert and Betty every day when I came to work. Betty would listen to me talk about my granddaughter Ella that has a rare type of juvenile rheumatoid arthritis She's 4 years old. Norbert would say I'll pray for Ella I just want you to know that Norbert and Betty are true caring couple. Betty and I cried together. I told Betty that She Was my adopted mother. Since my mother had been gone for 28 years. I love Norbert and Betty. . And my prayers are with you. . And I just want you to know with all the praying and people that Victory likes my granddaughter is better and I thank God and I thank God for Norbert and Betty.

Becky Kegley - February 13, 2020 at 06:30 AM

VO

“ We send our deepest sympathy to you, Betty, and family. I will always remember "Mr. Pischke" as a gentleman's gentleman in his mannerisms. He was so dedicated to the GCHS board and managed to attend all of his children's music activities that our music department sponsored. We hold you in our prayers during this difficult time. Victor and Joan Ottolino

Victor & Joan Ottolino - February 12, 2020 at 11:36 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Norb Pischke.



February 12, 2020 at 02:02 PM

LL

“ Norb and I rode to work when we worked at the courthouse. I learned so much about him and what a wonderful person he was. I truly miss our talks. When it would rain when we were ready to get out of the car, he would say, "wait a few minutes. it will let up and we can go." Sure enough it would be just a drizzle and off we would go. Loved him so much.  
Linda Lindbloom

Linda Lindbloom - February 12, 2020 at 01:12 PM

BA

Thinking of you all today and send our love to you. Bev Alfredson and family ❤️🙏

Beverly Alfredson - February 15, 2020 at 08:49 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Norb Pischke.*



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February 12, 2020 at 11:05 AM

BN

“ *Truely an example of a life well lived. Uncle Norb was loved by so many and brought such light into this world. He set such a wonderful example of how we should live.*

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**Barb Nurnberg** - February 12, 2020 at 08:03 AM

KA

“ *All love and condolences to the Pischke family in the passing of uncle Norb from Barbara and Ken Alfredson. We live in Florida and we send our Thoughts especially to Betty, our beloved aunt. For KEN he remembers all the good times at the lake and all the family Christmases, celebrations and fun with NORBERT. All the memories, all the laughs and all the good times shared will be an inspiration to our family for many my years to come.*

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**ken alfredson** - February 10, 2020 at 09:04 PM

DS

*What a beautiful life Norb. And an incredible legacy you've left behind....one of faith, family, and love. To be relished, shared, and passed on to the next generation. You can rest In peace knowing that you did well, and you will be missed. All our love to the Pischke families and your loved ones. Our hearts and prayers are with you.  
The Sirakides Family*

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**dianna sirakides** - February 12, 2020 at 01:27 AM