



KEWAUNEE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

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Kewaunee County Board Supervisor Among Those Deceased in Plane Crash

KEWAUNEE, WI – Kewaunee County has been made aware that the victims in an Indiana plane crash were Kewaunee County Board Supervisor John Pagel and his son-in-law Steve Witcpalek.

Kewaunee County Board Chairman Robert Weidner and Administrator Scott Feldt have released the following joint statement:

We wish to convey our personal heartfelt sympathies to the Pagel and Witcpalek families, while the Kewaunee County Board and the Kewaunee County government join us in expressing our sincere condolences at this tragic moment. Our thoughts and prayers are with those family members and friends.

Few men can claim to have had a greater impact on the county, the region and indeed the nation than John Pagel, who was an unparalleled leader in his industry. John's legacy will be evident in what he has done for Kewaunee County and all of the people he has touched. We have much to learn from John's achievements and will no doubt look to his legacy for inspiration for years to come. Kewaunee has lost a leader; the dairy industry has lost a strong advocate; and most importantly we have lost a father and a friend. There is simply no replacement for what Mr. Pagel represented and what he contributed to our county and to the dairy industry. We have a lot to be thankful for because of John. He is a loved and respected man, and he will be missed by many.

We ask that the media please respect the family's privacy during this time of mourning.

The Kewaunee County Administrator's Office will not be conducting interviews at this time.

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