



DAN BOETTCHER

Dan Boettcher was born in Oconto Falls in 1948, the middle child of Eldo and Kaye Boettcher. He attended grade school at St. Anthony's and high school at OFHS graduating in 1966. Dan enjoyed sports and participated in football, basketball and golf in high school, earning seven varsity letters. Following high school he entered college at UW Oshkosh from the fall of 1966 to the end of the 1968 school term.

He was drafted into the US Army in 1969. He was assigned to the 1st Cavalry Division and served in Viet Nam during 1969 and 1970. During that time he earned the Combat Infantry Badge, Viet Nam Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Republic of Viet Nam Campaign Ribbon w/ Device and the Army Commendation Medal.

Following his discharge from the military, he returned to the Oconto Falls area where he met and married his wife, Cathy. Together they have raised three daughters, Kelli, Jennifer and Megan. The girls graduated from Oconto Falls Schools, furthered their education and have families and successful careers. They have gifted Dan and Cathy with seven grandchildren.

Dan completed his college education with a BS Degree in Accounting from University of Wisconsin Green Bay and began his business career. In 1982, Dan along with two partners, purchased the assets of the Mirrocraft boat business from Mirro Corporation in Manitowoc and moved that business to Gillett, Wisconsin under the new name of Northport, Inc. The company's growth provided jobs and economic impact for many local businesses. Thousands of boats were manufactured and shipped nationally and internationally during that time. He and his partners operated that business until they sold it in 2003. Dan stayed on with the company until 2012 when he helped employees return the ownership to local people.

Dan has continued to be an active board member of Community Memorial Hospital which is now St. Clare Memorial Hospital, part of the Eastern Division of the Hospital Sisters Health System (HSHS). This change provided financial stability for the surrounding communities for local quality health care. He is a trustee at St. Anthony's Parish, member of the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Knights of Columbus and serves as Vice President on the Kingdom Come Food Pantry Board.

During Dan's 30 years in the boat business, he has worked side by side with his wife, Cathy. They are currently partners in retirement.