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WALL OF FAME

Inducted September 21, 2019



MARIE MAGNIN

Marie Magnin was born on September 6, 1942 to Leo and Helen Wendt. She graduated from Oconto Falls High School in 1960. Marie was co-owner and operator of the family business, Magnin Hardware, in Oconto Falls.

Marie's involvement in the community was endless. Marie was a charter member who helped establish River Island Golf Course. She also helped establish the Love Lights Program that later evolved into the Avenue of Lights that our community continues to celebrate and support today. In addition, she served on the local Oconto Falls FBLA, Hospital Foundation, and the Cemetery Board for many years. Marie was also involved with the Holiday Hope program that started in the 1970's. Her Bridge Group would sponsor needy families in the area for Christmas to make sure they would have a wonderful holiday. Marie was an active member of the Boat Club and also the Sno-Jokers Snowmobile Club. She led the efforts to bring the first Snowmobile Drag Races to Oconto Falls. The Mini-Series became the World Series where Marie served in prominent positions.

Marie also organized the Friends of Oconto Falls Fire Department in 1996. Along with many volunteers, they started the annual Spaghetti Dinner held every March. Proceeds from the dinner support the Oconto Falls Volunteer Fire Department with needed lifesaving equipment. To date, the Friends have raised over \$100,000.00 for the fire department. As a member of the American Legion Auxiliary 302, she took on many lead roles. Her most recent project, started in 2011, was the Veterans Monument. She wanted to honor area veterans including her late husband Orrie "Chub" Magnin. Marie wanted to make sure her husband and other veterans would never be forgotten for their dedication and the sacrifices that they made for our country. Marie spent her life promoting and improving Oconto Falls. She made countless contributions which make Oconto Falls a better place to visit, work, and reside.

Marie is survived by her two sons, Bart and Tim along with five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.