

## Al Vrana Passes Away

Albert G. Vrana, president of the Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association in 1975 and 1976, died Wednesday, March 13, 1996 in Bella Vista, Arkansas. Al was the golf course superintendent at Meadowbrook Country Club in Racine while he was president.

Al was born in Racine on December 2, 1922, and retired from Meadowbrook in 1986 and moved to Arkansas. He and another well known past president of ours, Woody Voigt, were neighbors in their retirement. Woody sent me Al's obituary, along with the touching letter that follows:

Dear Monroe,

Thought you would be interested to know Al died. There might be a few old timers left who would remember him. Al had a massive heart attack and died on his way home after playing cards. His wife, Mary, was driving and they were right in front of the fire station so she had help right away. Mary thought he died instantly. The medics worked on him and then they took him to the hospital but he never came around. Al had been in ill health for some time.

I will miss him. He lived next door to us and we saw each other almost daily. We often talked about the good times we had with the WGCSA. We both enjoyed THE GRASS ROOTS and read it cover to cover to keep track of what was going on in Wisconsin.

Tell the old timers we think of them often.

Sincerely,

Woody

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