



John V. Stark

October 18, 1924 - November 6, 2011

John V. Stark, 87, formerly of Stratford, Iowa and currently of Des Moines, passed away at the Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines on Wednesday morning, November 2, 2011. He was born on October 18, 1924 in Stanhope, Iowa the son of Glen and Myrtle (Egland) Stark. On February 21, 1947, he married Ilo Wahman at the 7th Street Methodist Church in Kansas City, Kansas. John graduated from Stanhope High School. He was a veteran of World War II serving in the Navy aboard the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Siboney. After returning from service, he farmed in the Boone, Hamilton and Webster county area until his retirement in the 1980's. The couple moved to Des Moines where they were currently living. John was a member of the Avery Tractor Club, International Tractor Club, the American Legion Frederick Sonksen Post #576 of Stratford and the VFW Post #9668 of Urbandale, Iowa. His parents; sister LaVonne Kramer; and brother Leon "Bud" Stark preceded him in death. Survivors include his wife Ilo of Des Moines; 2 sons Steven Stark of Winterset, Iowa and Doug Stark and wife Judy of Coralville, Iowa; 3 grandchildren Kasey Stark and Whitney Stark both of Parkland, Florida and Angie Eubanks of Waukee, Iowa; 3 great-grandsons; a brother Sterling Stark and wife Harriett of Mesa, Arizona; nieces and nephews. Services will be held on Monday morning, November 7th at 10:00 a.m. at the Calvary United Methodist Church in Stratford, Iowa with Rev. Gina Spohnheimer officiating. Interment will be in the Oakwood Cemetery north of Stratford with military honors conducted by the American Legion Frederick Sonksen Post #576 of Stratford. Friends may call at the Calvary United Methodist Church in Stratford on Sunday afternoon from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. with the family present during that time to greet friends. Visitations will continue at the Church on Monday morning from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service. Those wishing to express their sympathies through a memorial may direct their gift to the American Legion Frederick Sonksen Post #576 of Stratford, Iowa or the VFW Post #9668 of Urbandale, Iowa.

Comments



“ Please know that our hearts and prayers are with you now and always. Know that the Lord has Johnny with Him and he is free from all pains and sorrows.

Ron & Lyn Harris - November 06, 2011 at 12:41 PM



“ Ilo, Steve & Doug-- I am so sorry to hear of John's death. I lost my Dad this year, as well, so I know what you're going through. Please know that my thoughts & prayers are with you.

Patty Sorenson McLaughlin - November 04, 2011 at 08:19 PM



“ Ilo, I'm sorry to hear of your loss. Sandy let me know of John's passing. I live in Tarkio Missouri now, Remarried 17 years ago to a wonderful man. 20 years in Air Force, he is still working at Offutt AFB in Bellevue, commutes everyday. I'm self employed. Passed through Polk City one day and wondered if you still lived there. Guess not. Daughter and family live in Cambridge. will not be able to make JOhn's funeral as i have one in TArkio on Sunday as well. I remember alot of pinochle card playing at mom and dad house, while doug and curtis bergman played hide seek outside. alot of picnics and camping. It has been many years since i've seen any of you. Tell Doug and STEve hello from me. My prayers will be with your family. John lived a full life. It has been 1980 that dad passed and 1997 for mom. Miss them always. Please take care. sorry to communicate only at a time like this, but that is what it seems life leads us to all the hecticness.
Sharon/Peterson/Moller/FRuechtenicht

Sharon(Peterson) Fruechtenicht - November 04, 2011 at 08:03 PM



“ Johnny,

I love you, and I'll miss you. I've always enjoyed our conversations. You and Ilo are such special people. thanks for being so wonderful, both of you.

Greg

Greg Egland - November 04, 2011 at 04:14 PM