



John L. Barnes

July 26, 1951 - January 12, 2014

John L. Barnes, 62, of DeSoto, Illinois, passed away at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, January 12, 2014, at his residence in DeSoto, Illinois.

John was born on July 26, 1951, in Urbana, Illinois, to John Barnes and Louise (Klien) Barnes.

Mr. Barnes had retired from Vogler Ford in Carbondale as a Sales Associate in November. He had began working there over 30 years ago in June of 1983.

He had served on the Blairsville Water Department Board. He was a also a member of the National Rifle Association.

John married Phyllis (Reeves) Neighbors on April 26, 1985, in Jackson, Missouri, and she survives.

Other survivors include two children Travis Neighbors and Candi DeBruin and her husband Nic DeBruin, all of Tulsa, OK;

one grandson Cameron Neighbors of Tulsa, OK;

and three sister in laws and six brother in laws Valerie (Jim) Herring of Murphysboro, Norma (Claude) Neace of Jackson, MO, David (Faye) Reeves

of Murphysboro, Bob Church of Carterville, Norman Reeves of Springfield, IL, and Joe Reeves of Saint Barbara, CA.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister in law Sherry Church.

His body will be cremated and a memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, January 15, 2014, at Pettett Funeral Home with Rev. James Easton officiating. Friends may call from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. For more information, please visit www.pettettfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *John L. Barnes*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Dear Phyllis, I will call you. Words can not express your loss of dearest John. Our heart and prayers are with you. We will call after your family leaves. I consider John a dear friend. My love and respect for him is very sincere. I believe our merciful Lord has set him free from a burden we can not understand. We will call after your family leaves. Our heart reaches out to you with your great loss. Love, Sheff and Jane*

Sheff and Jane Boardman - January 17, 2014 at 09:31 AM



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Sheff and Jane Boardman - January 17, 2014 at 09:12 AM



“ *John will be missed by many.Please take care of yourself*

vicki beckman - January 16, 2014 at 02:00 PM

JS

“ A LIFE HAS VALUE WHEN THERE FRIENDS WHO REMEMBER THEM

John Schneider - January 16, 2014 at 11:51 AM

EM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. John was a really nice person. I remember him from Vogler's working with my son Bill. Every time he saw me he went out of his way to say hi. He always had a smile. He will be missed.

Edith Minckler - January 15, 2014 at 11:04 AM

CH

“ So very sorry for your loss. John will be missed so very much. He always had a smile on his face and was so nice to every one. Every time we saw him he always stopped and talked to us and laughed. He was a special man.

Cliff and Jean Hilliard - January 15, 2014 at 10:55 AM

LH

“ John was my friend for over 45 years. I always looked forward to our visits when I came back to Southern Illinois. He was always kind and considerate. Carolyn and I will be praying for you Phyllis.

Larry Hoffman - January 15, 2014 at 09:54 AM

MV

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to all the family including the Vogler family. John will always be remembered for his caring, friendly, helpful ways. God be with you!!

Mary Beth Varner - January 14, 2014 at 10:03 AM

SJ

“ *Phyllis, I am so saddened to hear of John's death. I have such fond memories of the four of us laughing and enjoying each other's company. Please know that you are in my prayers.*

Sherry Jenkins - January 14, 2014 at 09:51 AM

AC

“ *Hi Phyllis, I was shocked to hear about "Barney", and like most people, have had the unexpected happen in my family, too. For the most part, I got along well with John and always respected his point of view. We both attended CCHS and shared common ground being Terriers and conservative. I'll never forget when I put a "revised license plate" over his VOMOCO 1 plate. John didn't necessarily appreciate my sense of humor that day but never let it interfere with our friendship. During the 4 1/2 years we worked together I was always grateful to have John around reassuring me that there were still a few solid folks around. Take care and God speed John. AC*

andy corderman - January 13, 2014 at 07:57 PM

JL

“ *Phyllis, I am so sorry for your loss. Dee and I really liked John. Our thoughts and prayers are with you through this difficult time. We will miss him.*

Julie Loy - January 13, 2014 at 07:49 PM