



John (Jack) W. Poston

July 18, 1941 - August 22, 2025

IN MEMORY OF:

John (Jack) W. Poston

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – CAPE GIRARDEAU

829 North West End Boulevard, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

John W. Poston, 84 years old, died on August 22, 2025, at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, after being in a care center before being admitted to the hospital. He battled illness that included dementia, and difficulty with normal breathing and eating, leading to organ failures.

John was born July 18, 1941, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, to Lynn and Virginia Poston. His childhood was spent with his family who resided on West Rodney Lane in Cape. John graduated from Notre Dame High School in 1959 and then joined the Navy, serving four years, with active duty in the Mediterranean Sea on a United States Navy oiler for one year. An oiler was a naval ship designed to support combatant ships and other naval operations. John then served three years in Washington DC for the remainder of his tour of duty. After honorably completing his Naval service, he was honorably

discharged and attended and graduated from Southeast Missouri State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business.

He took a trip to Germany while his brother, Jim, was stationed there in the Air Force, and they toured that country together, creating many fond memories. He worked in the state of Florida for several years before returning to Cape Girardeau to live.

John was never married, but later in life he spent many years with his partner, Billy DeGrant, who passed away in May of 2024. John was an avid reader and also enjoyed watching sports, particularly tennis, on television. He had a dog named Betty that he and Billy enjoyed as part of their family. He enjoyed visiting with extended family and often brought tasty dishes, along with home-made yeast rolls made by Billy, to holiday dinners. His dry wit and comments often injected humor in those family gatherings. John was a member of the St. Vincents Council 1111 of Knights of Columbus for many years.

Survivors include three of his brothers, Thomas Poston of Omaha, Nebraska. Larry Poston of Austin Texas; and David Poston of Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Also he was uncle to several nieces and nephews, Tracy Shows, Sean Poston, Brett Poston, Lori Poston, Krista Malmquist, Anthony Poston, and Casey Poston. He was preceded in death by his parents, his long-time partner, Billy; and his older brother, Jim Poston of Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

No services will be held at this time.

The cremation of John (Jack) W. Poston will be personally handled by the staff of Crain Funeral Home.

Crain Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Cape Girardeau is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Cemetery

Perry Ave.
Cape Girardeau, MO

Tribute Wall



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