



John Rushing

May 20, 1918 - July 12, 2014

John Boyd Rushing, age 96, a resident of rural Simpson, Illinois, passed away Saturday evening, July 12, 2014, at 10:05 PM at Hillview Health Care Center in Vienna.

John was born May 20, 1918 at Simpson, Illinois. He was the son of Lewis & Eula (nee) Rushing.

On July 5, 1941, John was united in marriage to the love of his life, Mary A. Harrison at Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Together, John and Mary enjoyed 65 years of marriage prior to her passing on May 23, 2007.

John is survived by: his children – Ron & Helen Rushing of Shawneetown, Dan & Verna Rushing of Metropolis; and Ellen & Bill Broom of Simpson; 8 grandchildren – Ronda Duckworth, Chandra Stanley, Paul Maynard, Chelli Hardison, Robert Maynard, Ryan Rushing, Kyle Broom, Ashley Broom; 15 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren; a sister – Carrie Wise of the Glendale community; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to his parents and wife, John was preceded in death by 4 sisters – Helen Phelps, Mildred Palmer, Mary Gaynelle Scarborough, and Faye Faulkner.

John was a graduate of Robbs High School. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1942 until his honorable discharge on January 6, 1946. John attained the rank of sergeant and was assigned to the 90th Bomb Group serving in the Pacific theater of operation. John was a former member of the Beggs-Gurley VFW Post # 5222.

John was a lifelong farmer. He loved the land and working with his cattle. John served as a member of the Johnson County Farm Bureau Board for 46 years and the Johnson County Soil & Water Conversation District Board for 42 years. John was among a group of cattlemen who was instrumental in promoting the IPLA (Interstate Producers Livestock Association) sale barn at Robbs, Illinois.

Additionally, John served as postmaster at the Simpson Post Office for many years, prior to his retirement on June 29, 1985.

John was a 50+ year member of Gurney Masonic Lodge # 778 AF&AM at Simpson. He had served as the lodge secretary for 46 years.

John was a faithful and devoted member of the Glendale United Methodist Church where he had formerly served as a member of the church board.

John will be remembered as a man who was devoted to his family and community.

A Celebration of the Life of John Rushing will be conducted Thursday morning, July 17, 2014, at 11 AM at the Glendale United Methodist Church. Pastor Mike Shearer will officiate. Interment will be in the Glendale Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be accorded by the Beggs-Gurley VFW Post # 5222 and the Illinois National Guard Burial Honors detail.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, July 16, 2014, from 5 PM – 8 PM at the Glendale United Methodist Church. Masonic rites will be accorded at 8 PM Wednesday evening.

Memorials may be made to the Glendale United Methodist Church or Cemetery, c/o Charlotte Benard, 45 Cedar Grove Road, Simpson, IL 62985.

Cemetery Details

Glendale Cemetery

IL State Route 145
Simpson, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *John Rushing*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Carol Trovillion Cheek lit a candle in memory of John Rushing*



Carol Trovillion Cheek - August 22, 2014 at 01:47 PM



“ *I am so sorry I know you dad was a great guy. I got to hear many stories from Scarborough. Sorry I could not pay my respects in person I was out of town.*

Robin Harper-Whitehead - July 30, 2014 at 11:12 AM



“ *Carmen Breeden Wells lit a candle in memory of John Rushing*



Carmen Breeden Wells - July 27, 2014 at 09:37 AM

KD

“ Condolences to all of John's family and loved ones. It sounds like he had a very full and interesting life. And, we share the same birthday! Again, sorry for your loss, and my thoughts are with you.

Krissy Klabacha (Jim's daughter) - July 20, 2014 at 01:05 PM

JB

“ Jim & Pat Blankenship lit a candle in memory of John Rushing



Jim & Pat Blankenship - July 20, 2014 at 06:48 AM

GH

“ Ron & Helen, Dan & Verna, Sorry to hear about your Dad. I remember you talking about him when we worked together and I am sure you will miss him. You will be in our prayers.

Gary and Janice Hall

Gary & Janice Hall - July 17, 2014 at 10:14 AM

DR

“ john rushing will be deeply missed as a relative of his I remember some of the old stories at the family reunions . he help me when I started dating my wife Brenda of simpson ,which he was post master at the time . he was my dad 1st cousin , he well be deeply missed and our prayer are with you all. you see him again in heaven

david rushing - July 16, 2014 at 05:36 PM

SH

“ Steve & Jeannie Housewright lit a candle in memory of John Rushing



Steve & Jeannie Housewright - July 16, 2014 at 09:11 AM

CW

“ ClearonandJane Wright lit a candle in memory of John Rushing



ClearonandJane Wright - July 15, 2014 at 11:05 PM



“ Mr. Rushing was a gentleman of the old school. I usually only saw him yearly, but always took time to visit and learned a lot about local history from him. He was the type of person who made you feel special. The world is richer for his having lived in it.

Michael Moore - July 15, 2014 at 11:03 PM

WF

“ Wanda Sharp Florey lit a candle in memory of John Rushing



Wanda Sharp Florey - July 15, 2014 at 10:56 PM

RH

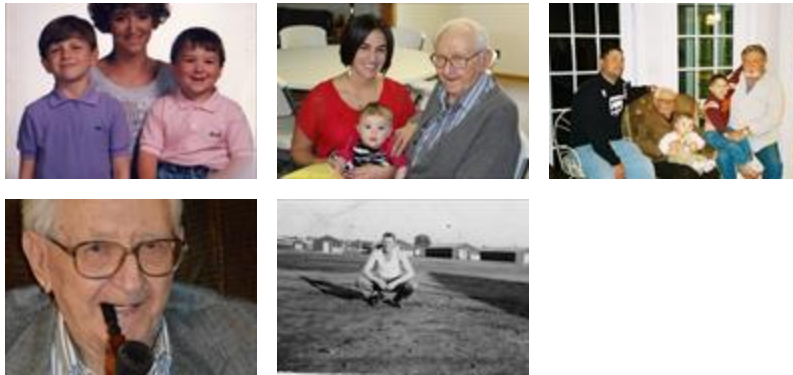
“ Roxanne Hall lit a candle in memory of John Rushing



Roxanne Hall - July 15, 2014 at 03:28 PM

RD

“ 147 files added to the album New Album Name



Ronda Duckworth - July 15, 2014 at 02:46 AM

RD

“ 29 files added to the tribute wall




Ronda Duckworth - July 15, 2014 at 02:29 AM

RD

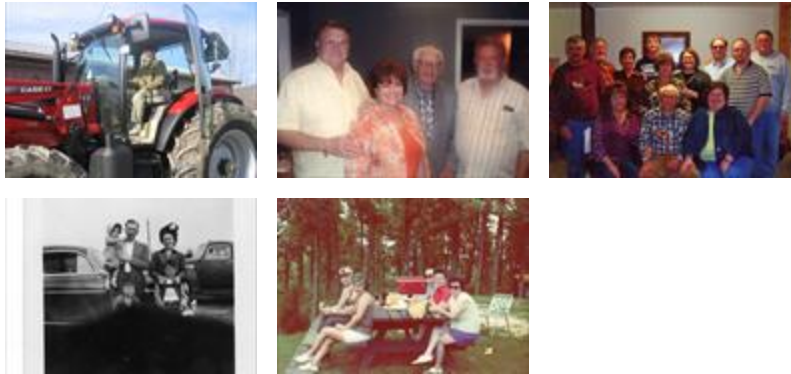
“ Ronda Duckworth sent a virtual gift in memory of John Rushing



Ronda Duckworth - July 15, 2014 at 02:13 AM

 Kyle Broom

“ 15 files added to the album Kyle Broom



Kyle Broom - July 14, 2014 at 01:09 PM

SC

“ Susan Cochran lit a candle in memory of John Rushing



Susan Cochran - July 14, 2014 at 11:03 AM

JT

“ *JACK TRAVELSTEAD lit a candle in memory of John Rushing*



JACK TRAVELSTEAD - July 14, 2014 at 10:05 AM

CM

“ *Our deepest sympathy goes out to the entire family. May God give you the strength to get thru this difficult time and bring peace to you all. Our prayers will be with you.*



Christina Marshall - July 13, 2014 at 10:33 PM

DK

“ *1 file added to the album Don Kelderman*



Don Kelderman - July 13, 2014 at 09:36 PM

DK

My mother (Mae Chambers) is 2nd from left sitting in front row. John Rushing is 3rd from left next to my mother. Mary Rushing is on the other side of John. There are 7 Chambers siblings in this photo, including the teacher (Ray Chambers).

Don Kelderman - July 13, 2014 at 09:40 PM

MC

“ To all the family. Sending lots of hugs and prayers to you during this very difficult time. Love David and Marti Cox and Family

Marti Cox - July 13, 2014 at 05:06 PM

JA

“ Mr. & Mrs. Rushing were our neighbors across the field, just over the county line. I grew up being able to see their home each time I looked to the west from my parents farm. They were also a part of our church family at GUMC. I always looked forward to seeing them each time I came home for a visit. Thoughts & prayers being sent from Branson, MO.
~Jimmy Evitts~

jameslewisevitts - July 13, 2014 at 04:03 PM

JF

“ Joan Faulkner lit a candle in memory of John Rushing



joan faulkner - July 13, 2014 at 12:17 PM

WD

“ A great guy, and always a very warm personality for all that he met.



Wayne Dunn - July 13, 2014 at 11:59 AM

KD

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*
Kathy and Rodger Davis



Kathy Davis - July 13, 2014 at 11:24 AM

NB

“ *Nancy & Ray Breeden lit a candle in memory of John Rushing*



Nancy & Ray Breeden - July 13, 2014 at 11:23 AM

DH

“ *David And Ellen Hill lit a candle in memory of John Rushing*



David and Ellen Hill - July 13, 2014 at 10:44 AM

DB

“ *Debbie Blankenship lit a candle in memory of John Rushing*



Debbie Blankenship - July 13, 2014 at 10:15 AM

KW

“ *Life was always good when I came to visit you and Mary. I will still look for you on the tractor when I come to visit again.*
Kathy Walker, Gig Harbor, Wa.

Kathy Walker - July 13, 2014 at 10:01 AM

MP

“ *Margaret Ann Richeson Patton lit a candle in memory of John Rushing*




Margaret Ann Richeson Patton - July 13, 2014 at 09:45 AM

RR

“ *RIP Peepa and give Meema a big hug for me!*



ryan rushing - July 13, 2014 at 09:42 AM


Chandra Stanley

“ *Chandra Stanley lit a candle in memory of John Rushing*



Chandra Stanley - July 13, 2014 at 09:40 AM

KB

“ Karen And Rich Brumley lit a candle in memory of John Rushing



Karen and Rich Brumley - July 13, 2014 at 08:42 AM

FK

“ Floyd And Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of John Rushing



Floyd and Linda Koehler - July 13, 2014 at 07:33 AM



“ You will never ever know the importance and happiness you brought to my life, Peepa, and to that of Xavier and Ansleigh. I love you so very much and I am grateful you and Meema can be hand in hand once again but this time for eternity. We love and miss you both.

Ellen Broom - July 13, 2014 at 02:31 AM

DH

“ Don, Chelli, Ian, & Vincent Hardison lit a candle in memory of John Rushing



Don, Chelli, Ian, & Vincent Hardison - July 13, 2014 at 01:18 AM

RD

“ *Ronda Duckworth lit a candle in memory of John Rushing* ”



Ronda Duckworth - July 13, 2014 at 12:54 AM