



John J. Jorgensen

November 5, 1924 - September 6, 2016

John J. Jorgensen (1924-2016)

CEDAR FALLS – John J. Jorgensen, 91, of Cedar Falls died Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at the Cedar Valley Hospice Home in Waterloo.

He was born November 5, 1924 in Chickasaw County, son of John and Marie (Paulsen) Jorgensen. He graduated from New Hartford High School. John married Virginia Clabough on November 23, 1943 and they later divorced. He married Susan White in 1967 in Galena, Illinois.

John served in the Army Air Force as a Nose Turret Gunner on a B24 Liberator in Europe during WWII. He was a Life Member of the Cedar Falls AMVETS Post 49. He owned Gaslight Mobile Home Park and Jorgensen Construction.

Survived by: his wife, Susan of Cedar Falls; two daughters, Linda (Ron) Risting of Dike and Deborah (Greg) Sarandi of Scottsdale, AZ; three sons, Fred (Susan) Jorgensen, Robert (Wendy) Jorgensen, and Matt (Melissa) Jorgensen, all of Cedar Falls; three step children, Cindra (Art) Cellini of Grand Junction, CO, Douglas (Jennifer) Larsen of Farmington, MN, and Gina (Rodney) Mott of Penryn, CA; 22 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; and a sister, Ruth Kjaer of Iowa City.

Preceded in death by: a sister, Alice Hering; a brother, Donald Jorgensen; and a brother in infancy.

Family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Richardson Funeral Service, Cedar Falls. The AMVETS Post 49 Honor Guard will present full military honors at 6:30 p.m.

Memorials may be directed to Cedar Valley Hospice or the Cedar Falls AMVETS #49 Honor Guard.

Previous Events

Receiving of Friends

SEP 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Richardson Funeral Service
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Cedar Falls, IA 50613
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richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com
<http://richardson.funeralplan2.com>

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Tribute Wall

KH

“ To the family of John Jorgensen, I was saddened to hear of John's passing from Matt. It was a privilege to know him and to work for him many years ago. He had the biggest heart and always willing to help in anyway. Spend many nights playing pool with John at his home and enjoyed his wonderful outlook on the world and life. I will miss him very dearly and wish the family peace and comfort.
Kim Hager

Kim Hager - September 27, 2016 at 11:45 AM

JK

“ Johnny gave my dad and I a good start in construction. My dad always spoke very highly of Johnny. Johnny was one of the good guys, too far and few any more. Jeff Koch

jeff koch - September 09, 2016 at 07:19 PM

SI

“ Matt, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family that with time you will find peace and comfort.

Sue Ilax

Sue Ilax - September 09, 2016 at 04:52 PM

SF

“ Sending loving thoughts to you Linda. My condolences to you and your family during this difficult time.

Suzette Faser - September 09, 2016 at 09:55 AM

KA

“ John you will be missed.. So many memories of Cindra and I through High School and our apartment right around the corner from you and Susan. We stold so much food from your house and from my parents you would have thought we were HyVee .. LOL so many found memories of you for the past 40 years of my life ... With my forever Best Friend for life Cindra.. Missing you

Kimberly Anderson-Felga

Kimberly Anderson-Felga - September 08, 2016 at 08:43 PM

TH

“ Thank you for asking the Cedar Falls AMVETS Post #49 - Honor Guard Unit to conduct full military rites for John's funeral. It was our privilege to honor his service to our country in the Army-Air Force.

*Honor Guard Unit
Cedar Falls AMVETS Post #49*

tom hagarty - September 08, 2016 at 04:53 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of John J. Jorgensen.



September 08, 2016 at 04:33 PM

WL

“ With love from, Henry and Tammy Long purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John J. Jorgensen.



With love from, Henry and Tammy Long - September 08, 2016
at 04:00 PM

DS

“ I'll sorely miss my good neighbor and friend, John. Especially the countless times I'd come around the corner hoping to find John sitting in the garage..usually to borrow something or ask how to fix something. We solved many of the world's problems and definitely saw eye to eye on many things. :) (sometimes to Susan's dismay). I'll always remember your kindness, John, and thankful that you are no longer struggling here on earth, but rejoicing in heaven. May God's grace surround you and keep you forever.

Dan Schofield

Dan Schofield - September 08, 2016 at 03:08 PM

AR

“ My first memory of John was him sitting on our davenport in our little house on Valley Park in Cedar Falls with my aunt Virginia. I was in bed and every so often I could hear John's distinctive laughter. That's the memory I'll carry of him.

Our condolences to the whole family at this sad time.

*Annette & Dave Redman
Trey, Veronica & Anthony*

Annette Redman - September 08, 2016 at 02:58 PM

DC

“ I had the opportunity and privilege to take care of John at his home when Sue was at a graduation out of state. I had my mind blown away at his expertise in watching him play at the casino several nights. He was extraordinary! I made him meals and he introduced me to bread with butter and sugar on it. We talked about his life and salvation. In the short amount of time I was able to spend with him, he touched my heart. I am deeply saddened by his passing, but know he is no longer in pain. My heartfelt condolences go out to his family.

DeeAnn Crandall

DeeAnn Crandall - September 08, 2016 at 11:58 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John J. Jorgensen.



September 08, 2016 at 11:49 AM

DH

“ *Jorgensen Family,*

*Sorry to read about John, he is a friend I will always remember. Although we drifted apart the last few years, I would see him on occasion and we always shared a memory. I met John through the card club. He always had his favorite game and loved to see the players squirm when he raised the ante by another 5 or 10 cents. We became partners for trips to the Dubuque dog track. He would call me and ask if I would ride with him some evenings. He must have "worn-out" at least 3 cars during those years. When I reminded him I was still working, he would reassure me that I could always sleep on the way back to CF and he just wanted some company. Some experiences I will never forget!
Condolences to the family.*

Duane "Duey" Hanneman

Duane Hanneman - September 08, 2016 at 09:47 AM

LS

“ *Love, The Wright's, The Bollesen's and Lisa Sammlar purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of John J. Jorgensen.*



Love, The Wright's, The Bollesen's and Lisa Sammlar -
September 08, 2016 at 08:55 AM

JD

“ *The craps table family will certainly miss ole John around the table - he always had candy in his pocket and would share it with Dan and I. We will miss you John and throw two 6s up there in heaven.
Janna and Dan Diehl*

Janna Diehl - September 08, 2016 at 08:26 AM

JB

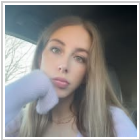
“ Although I haven't seen JJ for a few years-- He always made me smile. He truly helped me to feel comfortable as I was starting in the construction world in Waterloo/Cedar Falls area. My condolences to the Jorgensen Family..

John Benton - September 08, 2016 at 08:21 AM

RI

“ I am an employee at the Isle and always looked forward to seeing Johnny J. He will truly be missed. He always told me I was a good kid and never let anyone tell me otherwise. I shall miss my silent player telling me 'inside up'!My heartfelt condolences to Susan and the family. My he rest peacefully and show the amateurs the game of dice!!

Riyah - September 08, 2016 at 02:14 AM



“ John was the sweetest man ever!! I was a dealer at the isle and he was always my favorite player!! Him and his wife are very sweet and kind people! Thoughts and prayers to the family!!

Taylor Jane - September 07, 2016 at 09:05 PM

DF

“ John was always a nice man! My condolences to Susan and his family! He will be missed!

Dianah Fisher - September 07, 2016 at 07:56 PM

WC

“ *With love, Cindra purchased the A Full Life for the family of John J. Jorgensen.*



With love, Cindra - September 07, 2016 at 06:57 PM

CB

“ *Jorgensen Family,
I've had the privilege of having the Jorgensen family as clients for many years. It has always been a joy to work and visit with them. John was always one to be the first to ask how I was doing, what I had been up to or how my family was doing, but never to focus on him. He always had a smile on his face and twinkle in his eye and I will miss seeing him and having him as a client. My condolences and prayers for the Jorgensen Family.*

Connie Boeding

Connie Boeding - September 07, 2016 at 02:50 PM

SH

“ Jorgensen Family,

Thinking of all of you during this time. John was always so kind to me. I learned so much from him while sharing an office with him! (It was my first "real" job!) I always thought of him as a quiet, yet a very wise man. I enjoyed seeing him in Tama, Waterloo and even in Las Vegas one year at the Monte Carlo. I will never forget the special bet he taught me for the dog track! It was a cheaper bet with good results and not many people knew about it! I still use it to this day and call it John's bet! Ha Ha! I will always have the utmost respect for John J. Jorgensen!

Love,

Shelleen (Lynch) Hatch

Shelleen Hatch - September 07, 2016 at 02:01 PM