



John Gillespie

February 10, 1922 - May 9, 2010

John G. Gillespie, of Bloomington passed away May 9, 2010 at Bloomington Hospital. He was 88 years old.

Born February 10, 1922 in Bloomington, he was the son of Orine and Elizabeth Jane (Ducker) Gillespie. He was a 1941 graduate of Ellettsville High School. John was a proud veteran of the US Navy serving aboard the USS Colorado during World War II. He married Marjorie M. Schneider on August 2, 1947. He retired from the Midland Cut Stone Company in 1984 where he had worked as a planerman. He was active in the Boy Scouts serving as a Scout leader for over 36 years and was a recipient of the Silver Beaver Award. He was a member of the Journeyman Stonecutters Association of Indiana and a member of the West Second Street Church of Christ.

John is survived by his children, Judy Zabel (James) of Brownstown, IN, John F. Gillespie of Bloomington, IN, Janice Conder (Larry) of Bloomington, IN and Margo Miller (Donald) of Mt. Vernon, IN; a sister Barbara Cala (Nobel) of Indianapolis, IN; fifteen grandchildren, Jill Zabel, John David Zabel (Lindsey), Jeffrey Zabel (Jennifer), Jamie Leugers (Eric), Laura Gillespie, Leslie Gillespie, Kelly Terrell (William), Michelle Vincent (Travis), Jason Conder, Jessica Chandler (Troy), Travis Conder and fiancé Chelsie Fox, Danielle Miller, Rebecca Miller, Donnie Miller and Emily Miller; seven great grandchildren, Cody and Wyatt Vincent, Lydia and Camry Conder, Kiley Zabel and Camryn and Mia Zabel, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Marjorie M. Gillespie on January 9, 2009, his parents, and six brothers and sisters, Catherine Mood, Charles Gillespie, Mary Browning, Herman Gillespie, Clifton Gillespie and Virginia Medley.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, May 12 at 11:00 a.m. at Allen Funeral Home, 4155 S. Old State Rd. 37, with Brothers Russell Minett and Mike Davis officiating.

Visitation will be on Tuesday from 2:00-8:00 pm at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hoosier Trails Council of the Boy Scouts of America in care of Allen Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.allenfuneralhome.org.

Tribute Wall

PA

“ John,
I'm sorry to hear about your Dad's passing. I could not be at the funeral home because of previous school commitments. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Pat Babcock - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

SW

“ *It is with the greatest sadness that we learned of John's passing. He was such a gentle and caring individual, and it has been our great joy to have been his and Marge's neighbors these last several years. While there are no words to lessen the grief you all must be sharing, please know that we are praying that God may be with you in a special way during this very painful time.*

With deepest sympathies,

Stephen Chambers & David Wade

Stephen & David Chambers & Wade - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

KA

“ *Dear Margo and family,
I was sorry to read of your Dad's passing. My prayers are with all of you. A trustful faith in God and His promises will help relieve your sorrow.*
Karen

Karen Easterday - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

GP

“ *The Gillespie Family:*

It was with a great sense of loss when we heard of John's death. We wanted to let you know that you have our greatest sympathy, and our hearts are truly saddened.

John was more than just a wonderful person; he was always so kind and considerate to us and we always welcomed seeing him at every opportunity.

Our sincere thoughts are with you.

With our deepest sympathy,

Bree, Karina, Phyllis

Garden Villa - Senior Flex Bree, Karina, Phyllis - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

MS

“ *We are thinking about all of you and praying for your strength in this time of sorrow.*

We are out of state visiting my 92 yr. old aunt and will not get back in time to come to the funeral. Our thoughts will be with you all.

Milton and Sandra

Milton & Sandra Sater - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

B(

“ Margo, Rick, Judy and Jan. I will always remember your dad popping pop corn at Armstrongs for the 4th of July. How much fun I had working with him at the fair for Paul. I know how it feels to lose both parents with in a year of each other. My prayers are with all of you.
Barbie

Barbara Johnson (Martin) - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

TE

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I just found out about this last night. John was a great man!! He was definately someone that kept me on my toes. We never did get the chance to go to "art class" together!! I will miss being hearing him say, "Hey Georgia Peach"! My prayers are with you all during this time.

Teena Smith - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

TD

“ Margo and family,
We are so sorry about your loss. All of you are in our thoughts and prayers that God may give you comfort during you times of sadness.

Love,
Tom and Debbie Edwards

Tom and Debbie Edwards - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

C(

“ To Judy, Jan, John, and Margo and Families,
I was so sorry to learn of the loss of your father. I'm sorry to say that I was not aware that you had lost your mother last year as well. Please know that I am thinking about all of you in your time of sorrow. I remember staying overnight at your house in grade school and I felt welcomed by both your mom and your dad. Through my school years, I remember your dad being very active in scouting; he was still a legend even when my own boys were part of the Boy Scouts which came many years later. Through the years, as I became a teacher and took my classes to Peden Farm each year, I would see your parents there being active and eager participants, still working with children and sharing their time and knowlegde. Your parents will be missed by the whole community in Bloomington. Both your mother and your father will be remembered warmly.

Connie Giles (Freeman) - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

GI

“ To the Gillespie family, we are sorry to hear of your loss. We know John, the son through softball and volleyball, what a great man. We are firm believers that a father is reflected in his son. Therefore, John G must have been a truly remarkable man himself. May God be with you all in this time of sorrow and may memories warm you always. By reading the things he chose to do in life, serving his country and work with youth, I am sure he impacted many people in his 88 years. God Bless. Gina Ingram

Gina Ingram - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

BJ

“ Jan,

My prayers go out to you, and your family. It is so very hard to lose a loved one...especially a parent. Let your precious memories get you through this very trying time.

BJ

BJ McElroy - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

MI

“ *To the family:*

Before moving to Indiana in 1988, acquaintance with JOHN and MARGE existed due their acquaintance with my parents. For the past twelve years, it has been such a pleasure to know them as faithful brethren in the service of Christ. They both made my work with West Second Street much more enjoyable! Now, they rest together, and their works follow them (Rev. 14:13). Thank you for sharing these two wonderful people! I shall miss them!

Mike

Mike Davis - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM