

John Franklin Farmer Jr.

September 28, 1934 - February 20, 2014

John Franklin Farmer Jr., 79, of Murrayville, IL went to be with the Lord, February 20, 2014 at his winter home in St. Cloud, FL.

He was born, Sept 28, 1934 in Ceres, IL, the son of Edith Mae Schutz and John Farmer Sr. He married Wanda Mae VanBebber, June 5, 1960 and they had two daughters. He then married Alice Faye Smith, June 28, 1986.

Surviving is his wife, Alice of Murrayville; daughters, Susie (Rob) Angenendt of Murrayville; Jeannie (Brian) Battefeld of Meredosia; five grandchildren, Erin (Jeff) Cummins, Larissa (Chris) Volk, Tyler (Jennifer) Angenendt, Cody & Kelsea Battefeld; six great-grandchildren; step-daughter, Jean (Todd) Sanders of Jacksonville; step-son, Bruce Smith of FL; step grandchildren, Jade Lowe, Jessica, Adam Withee, Taylor Kirchofer, Morgan, Montana and Amy Smith; eleven step-great-grandchildren; brother, Charlie Farmer of Mattoon and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Lonnie; sisters; Betty Anders and Wanda Akers; step-daughter, Tina Smith; step-son, Mike Smith; and step-grandsons, Joe Fulkerson, Andy, DJ, and Stewart Smith.

John graduated from Winchester High School in 1952; served in the US Army from 1957-1959. He worked at Baker Chevrolet in Murrayville for 25 years. John ran his own repair shop and worked at A/C Humko for 42 years. He

served on the Murrayville Fire Dept. for 45 years, many as fire chief. He was a man of great faith, devoted to God and his family. He loved gospel and bluegrass music. John also enjoyed camping with his wife and friends, working on machinery, and visiting with friends at the gas station. He was very proud of his grandchildren and their accomplishments. Most of all he enjoyed his time with his wife and family.

A celebration of life service will be held, 2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 22, 2014 at the Murrayville, United Methodist Church, with the family meeting friends from 1:00 p.m. until time of the service at 2:00 p.m. with internment following in the Winchester City Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the Murrayville Fire Department.

Cemetery Details

Winchester City Cemetery

Cherry Street
Winchester, IL 62694

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 22. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Murrayville United Methodist Church
Murrayville, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *John Franklin Farmer Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ *John was a very generous, loving, kind and gentle man. He was a wonderful father, husband, step father and grandfather. John will be missed very much. Sending deepest condolences to his children, wife Alice, family and friends.....Dawn & Montana Smith*

Dawn Smith - March 26, 2014 at 03:05 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Alice. Sorry we are unable to attend the memorial service for John today. Our sincere sympathy to all the family. Butch and Ellen Stocker*

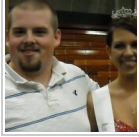
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“ *In loving memory of Papa John - you will be missed greatly. Love, Montana Smith*



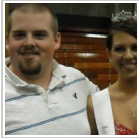
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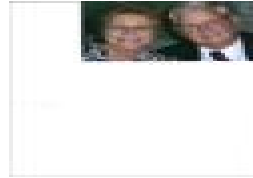
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