



John Russell Merriman

May 31, 1933 - June 29, 2011

John R. Merriman, 78, of Oxville passed away Wednesday, June 29, 2011 at the Passavant Area Hospital in Jacksonville. He was born May 31, 1933 in Oxville, the son of Archie and Nina Morris Merriman. He married Vicky Hostetler June 17, 1983 in Oxville. She preceded him in death Jan. 4, 2010.

Surviving is three daughter, Teresa Hopping of Oxville, Nena (Donnie) Rickard of Naples, and Dani (Brian) Scott of Oxville; four grandchildren, Ricky Jr. and Morgan Hopping, Racheal (Adam) Thompson and Rusty Rae Rickard; and several brothers and sisters.

John was a member of the Oxville United Methodist Church. He farmed in Oxville area. He worked as an engineer for the Norfolk and Southern Railroad. John served in the Army during the Korean Conflict and was a member of the Bluffs American Legion. He enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren and eating chocolate.

Funeral services will be held 10:00 a.m. Saturday at the Mackey Daws Funeral Home in Winchester. Visitation will be held Friday after 3:00 p.m. with the family meeting friends from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Hillcrest Cemetery near Bluffs. Memorials are suggested to Oxville United Methodist Church and Meredosia-Bluffs Rescue Squad. Condolences may be left online at www.mackeydaws.com.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

Bluffs, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *John Russell Merriman*

January 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ *For Dani, Teresa, and Nina.*

*If you could write a story
It would be the greatest ever told
Of a kind and loving father
Who had a heart of gold*

*If you could write a million pages
But still be unable to say, just how
Much You will love and miss him
Every single day*

*You will remember all he taught everyone
You will hurt but won't be sad
because he'll send down the answers
And he'll always be YOUR DAD*

*Love,
Michelle Summers*

Michelle Summers - June 30, 2011 at 11:57 AM