



John William Holland

December 18, 1938 - May 28, 2020

Dateline: Alton

John William Holland, 81, died at 8:59 a.m. Thursday, May 28, 2020 at Alton Memorial Hospital. Born December 18, 1938 in Alton, he was the son of John M. and Mary Frances (Cannon) Holland. Mr. Holland served with the Army during the Korean War and retired from Illinois Bell Telephone Company. He enjoyed golfing and bowling. Surviving is a daughter, Julie Tieman of Granite City, a son, Kevin Holland of Las Cruces, New Mexico, four grandchildren, LeeAnn Harris (Jon) of Godfrey, Holland Tieman of Bethalto, J.D. Mathews of Litchfield, and Sgt. Conner Mathews stationed with the U.S. Army in Hawaii, one great grandchild, Phoenix Mathews. Also surviving are two sisters, Delores Copley of Godfrey and his twin sister, Joan Ford of Wood River, and numerous nieces and nephews. Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Kelly M. Holland, and five sisters, Gloria Holland, Oldean Holland, Kathleen Rodes, Charlotte O'Hara, and Shirley Frakes. Private graveside services will be held at Upper Alton Cemetery with full military honors by the VFW Post 1308. A celebration of life service will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to a charity of choice. Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *John William Holland*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *John William Holland*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *So sorry to hear this. I grew up with Kevin, Kelly & Julie in Piasa Hills. John was always such a nice man. I remember him taking us all golfing at Rock Springs & to Six Flags. I can still see his smile & hear his laugh. My condolences to Kevin, Julie & family. Billy Funkhouser*

Bill Funkhouser - July 10, 2020 at 01:57 PM



Love ya!

Julie Holland Tieman - September 21, 2021 at 02:00 PM



“ *John,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, Will miss you on the golf course. I have not been playing much.*

Ed Hill

Edwin Hill - June 10, 2020 at 02:14 PM



I'm sure he's out there roaming around somewhere if you play again, you just might see him out of the corner of your eye, patiently waiting with a bemused look on his face and tan lines from his sissy socks on his legs!

Julie Holland Tieman - September 21, 2021 at 02:03 PM

RG

“ 1 file added to the album Foster Grandparent Program



Rose Glassbrenner - June 05, 2020 at 12:50 PM

RG

“ John volunteered as a Foster Grandparent at the YWCA Child Enrichment after school program earlier this year. I remember when he shared his experience of teaching a young student how to properly play checkers. He was so proud of that moment. John was a no nonsense, loving, and playful person who had a deep love for his family and community. He will be missed dearly.

Rose Glassbrenner (Foster Grandparent Program Director)

Rose Glassbrenner - June 05, 2020 at 12:14 PM

AR

“ Dear Aunts Joan and Dee, Johnny's Children and Grands,
Our sincere sympathy to you all. Family meant so much to him. He surely will be missed.
Roger and Angel Roades Family



Angela Roades - June 03, 2020 at 04:57 PM

DM

“ Joan,
So sorry to hear about your loss, and want to express my sincere sympathy to you and your family.

Dan Manns (High School Classmate)

Dan Manns - May 31, 2020 at 08:38 PM

MH

“ Holland family, so sorry to hear, have known John and Joan since Kindergarten. I always think of them on May Day. Prayers to the family.

Millie Hancock - May 30, 2020 at 12:41 PM

KB

“ John was our neighbor in Godfrey plus his boys played football with our son so many fond memories of our great neighbor hood with pool volleyball plus grill outs our prayers r with u Julia and Kelly Marv n Karen Bock

karen bock - May 30, 2020 at 11:23 AM



Thank you so much for your comment! I just saw this message and I'm sure my father would have loved to have seen that you left this we all have fond memories of Piasa Hills

Julie Holland Tieman - September 29, 2024 at 06:36 PM