



John D. Rogers

January 8, 1948 - November 27, 2024

John D. Rogers, 76, of Topeka, passed away at 5:17 a.m., on Wednesday, November 27, 2024, at OSF-St. Francis Medical Center, in Peoria. He was born January 8, 1948, in Peoria, Illinois, to John David and Virginia (Stennett) Rogers. He married Kathryn Lynn Wooding on March 16, 1990. She survives. Mr. Rogers is survived by his wife of 37 years, Kathy, of Topeka; daughter: Sierra (Jake) Trainer, of Topeka; son: Andrew Rogers, of White Deer, Pennsylvania; three grandchildren: Harper, Brayden, and Kallie Trainer, of Topeka; brothers-in-law: Greg (Jonni) Wooding, of Pekin, and David Wood of Florida; as well as many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, John, his mother, Virginia, and two sisters: Caroline Joanne Wood, and Betty Hanson.

John had many jobs throughout his life; some being Keystone Wire and Steel, Federal Warehouse Companies (as a truck driver through Allied Van Lines), semi driver for a local farmer; and finally as a cashier at County Market, in Havana. He graduated from Limestone High School in 1966 and then served in the US Navy, in VietNam, from 1967 – 1968. He was a lifetime member of VFW Post #6408, in Havana and was a retired member of the Teamsters Union.

John lived his life to the fullest. He had many hobbies. His most favorite pastime was being with family and friends, laughing and smiling and enjoying life. John absolutely loved good music and was always dancing and singing. Throughout his younger years, John was an avid flat track motorcycle racer,

and could have gone on to Pro Racing. He enjoyed his motorcycles and classic cars, having more than a few over the course of his life. John made a homemade go-kart track in his yard, in 2020, and that became his favorite hobby. He rode his go-kart, mini bike, and dune buggies almost everyday, always with a smile on his face.

Per John's request, there will be no services. Condolences may be sent to Maas-Hurley Funeral Home, in Manito. Memorial contributions may be made to the John Ritter Foundation for Aortic Health. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Maas-Hurley Funeral Home, in Manito, is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

TB

“ I had the pleasure of meeting John, he was a nice guy, great sense of humor, fun to be around, also got to see him riding his go cart and having so much fun..that was truly his go to everyday..he will be missed . God bless him , tammy baldwin

Tammy baldwin - December 05, 2024 at 12:47 PM

CK

“ I send my condolences to my dearest and oldest friend in her great time of grief losing her best friend and husband John. I remember John having a keen sense of humor and a ready smile. I know that he was dearly loved by Kathy, Sierra and Harper. I wish them healing and knowing that they were his everything and they gave him a wonderful life. God bless them and John as he will surely rest in peace in heaven.

Cindy Wade Kelly - December 04, 2024 at 05:22 PM

TH

“ Our deepeet sympathy, Kat
Tarry & Teri Hoeft

Tarry & Teri Hoeft - December 03, 2024 at 09:40 PM

ML

“ Melody A Lynn lit a candle in memory of John Rogers



Melody A Lynn - December 02, 2024 at 02:35 PM

C.

“ Only knew John for a short time but it was long enough to figure out he was a fun loving guy and a big kid underneath it all. He had a contagious smile and was a happy soul. Hang in there my friend, I'm always here for you Kathy. Love you. C.Fowler

C.Fowler - December 02, 2024 at 04:09 AM

FA

“ John, I can't express how much you will be missed. Not just by my myself but my husband and 4 kids as well. We moved into town just a few years ago and without hesitation, made us so welcomed and loved. What started off as complete strangers John and Kat became papa John and grandma Kat to my small children and mom and dad to my husband and me. We love you so much and are so grateful to have got that time with you! You're an amazing father, husband, and friend. You will forever be missed.

Forrest and Ashley - December 01, 2024 at 09:45 AM

PS

“ So sorry to hear of John's passing. I'll miss him at County Market.

Patsy Sarnes - November 30, 2024 at 03:34 PM

GP

“ So, So, Sorry For Your Loss...

George Pote - November 30, 2024 at 12:28 PM

JS

“ So sorry for your loss. Lifting you up in prayer during this difficult time.
Jerry&Jackie Schier

Jerry & Jackie Schier - November 30, 2024 at 11:27 AM

LH

“ Larry and Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of John Rogers



Larry and Mary Hundt - November 30, 2024 at 08:52 AM

KB

“ John was one of the sweetest men I've ever met. He always greeted me with a smile and “Hey kid, how are you?”. We used to talk motorcycles when I first met him then as I'd see him at County Market our talk turned to family and how life was treating us. My deepest condolences go out to all of his family and friends. He will be truly missed. My prayers are with you all.

Kendra Braden - November 29, 2024 at 07:48 PM

DW

“ Dan And Chris Wilson lit a candle in memory of John D. Rogers



Dan and Chris Wilson - November 29, 2024 at 04:17 PM

JS

“ Jody Smith lit a candle in memory of John Rogers



Jody Smith - November 29, 2024 at 02:45 PM

DJ

“ John was always nice and in a great mood. I saw him at County Market a few days before he went into the hospital. He gave me a hug, like he always did, but this hug was like he hadn't seen me for a long time. What a great last memory of John. He will be missed.



Diann M Jellissen - November 29, 2024 at 02:26 PM

DM

“ Kathy, I am so sorry for your loss. You and John had been through so much and now he is at rest from all his suffering he went through for so long.. Hugs my friend..



Dottie Miillar - November 29, 2024 at 12:57 PM