



John R. Geel Sr.

August 22, 1935 - November 27, 2016

John R. Geel Sr., age 81, of St. Anne, passed away Sunday, November 27, 2016 at the University of Chicago Hospital.

He was born August 22, 1935 in St. Anne, the son of Epolet & Mary Peszcyake Geel.

John married Patricia Justice on January 6, 1978 in Kankakee.

He was an insurance agent, retiring from Prudential after twenty-four years.

His true passion was farming, working the Geel family farm for over 65 years.

He loved antique cars and tractors. John enjoyed reading, farming, anything mechanical, his dog Zoey, and he especially loved spending time with his family. John had a true gift of gab. He could talk to anyone and bring out the best in them.

He served as a radio teletype operator in the US Army.

Surviving are his wife, Patricia Geel of St. Anne; two sons, Jeffrey Geel of Palm Harbor, FL and John Geel Jr. of Denver, CO; one daughter and son-in-law, Jennifer & Tom Conn of St. Anne; two sisters, Regina Bailey and Annie Callahan, both of Hales Corners, WI; two grandchildren, Jacob Geel and James Geel, both of Oldsmar, FL; and several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Dorothy Geel and Helen Themer.

Visitation will be held 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 1, 2016 at Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home in St. Anne. Cremation Rites will be

accorded following the visitation.

Inurnment will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, December 5, 2016 at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood.

Memorials may be made to the Aroma Fire Protection District, Riverside Heart Failure Clinic, and Kankakee County Humane Foundation.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 1. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Anne - Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home
214 W. Sheffield
St. Anne, IL 60964
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Inurnment

DEC 5. 1:00 PM (CT)

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery
20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Tribute Wall

DH

“ Pat please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. I remember John fondly both personally back to the days of him representing Prudential Insurance and later with the bank. Prayers and thoughts are with you.
Dave Hansing

David Hansing - December 03, 2016 at 09:13 AM

TA

“ Sorry for loss, Friend of Helen, Regina and Annie, Thelma Jackson Larson Alcorn.

Thelma Alcorn - December 01, 2016 at 05:29 PM

PC

“ I'm very sorry for your loss. Pat Martin Chouinard, long time friend of sisters Helen, Regina, and Annie.

Pat Martin Chouinard - December 01, 2016 at 12:34 PM

JM

“ So sorry for your loss. Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.



Jillian Bessette McLain - November 30, 2016 at 07:41 PM

LD

“ We are so sorry to hear that John has passed. We rented a house from John 40 years ago. He helped us buy the house and we are still living here. He was a great guy and would do what he could do to help anyone. Pat, we wish you and your family all the best and that you and John have been remembered with love.
Brad and Linda DeLude

Linda DeLude - November 30, 2016 at 07:20 PM

TD

“ We are thinking about and praying for John's family.
Terry and Toni Diel

Terry and Toni Diel - November 30, 2016 at 06:42 PM

PB

“ I am so sorry about John , I met John back in the 60,s when he was a driver for 7 up when I was working as a helper for another driver !
GOD bless him he was the nicest person you could have ever met !
Phil and Cathy Boehm

Phil and Cathy Boehm - November 30, 2016 at 11:42 AM

PP

“ Pamela J. Powell lit a candle in memory of
John R. Geel Sr.



Pamela J. Powell - November 30, 2016 at 04:39 AM

SN

“ Susan Neeb lit a candle in memory of John R. Geel Sr.



Susan Neeb - November 29, 2016 at 08:43 PM

LV

“ Keeping you in our prayers. Bless the family.
Lori Velma and Alyssa Davis



Lori Velma - November 29, 2016 at 05:50 PM

LW

“ Liz Wirth lit a candle in memory of John R. Geel Sr.



Liz Wirth - November 29, 2016 at 03:00 PM

CC

“ Crystal Clayton lit a candle in memory of John R. Geel Sr.



Crystal Clayton - November 29, 2016 at 01:09 PM

CC

I am so sorry for your loss-I remember lots of fun times at your house, Jennifer, when your dad was joking around with us. And I remember him being really nice to work for too. Hugs and prayers to your family.

Crystal Clayton - November 29, 2016 at 01:13 PM



Tommy, Tiffinie, Mileak and Kiyah Conner send you our love and sympathy at this time.

Tommy Conner - November 29, 2016 at 08:27 PM

MT

“ *Hugs and prayers are with you at this sad time. May God bless you with peace and comfort.* ”



Mary Thomson - November 29, 2016 at 11:37 AM

SF

“ *Scott Themer And Family lit a candle in memory of John R. Geel Sr.* ”



Scott Themer and family - November 29, 2016 at 10:02 AM