



John J. Gilmore

March 14, 1939 - April 7, 2019

John J. Gilmore, 80, of Bourbonnais, passed away Sunday (April 7, 2019) at his home.

He was born March 14, 1939, in Cicero, the son of William and Amanda Moisant Gilmore. John married Marilyn Kirchner on May 23, 1959, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Kankakee.

John was a retired employee of Commonwealth Edison, where he had worked at the Zion and Byron Nuclear stations. He was a graduate of St. Patrick Central High School and Coyne Electrical School in Chicago.

He was an 11-year veteran of the U.S. Navy, where he served on nuclear submarines.

John loved to golf. He enjoyed his winters for the last 25 years in Foley, Ala., and Harlington, Texas. He had traveled extensively through Europe and Asia. He was a member of River Valley Christian Fellowship.

Surviving are his wife, Marilyn Gilmore of Bourbonnais; sons, Timothy Gilmore, of Kenosha, Wis., and John Jr. and Cheryl Gilmore, of Kenosha, Wis.; daughter, Terrie and George Golwitzer, of Bradley; sister, Carole and Don Gaide, of Le Grande, Ore.; seven grandchildren, Amanda & Jonothan Dykstra, George Golwitzer Jr., Joseph Golwitzer, Samuel Golwitzer, Cassandra Plutchak, Amanda Ouimette and Melanie Gilmore; along with nine great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents; two brothers, William and Thomas; and two sisters, Doris Whitehead and Joyce May.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Cremation rites will be accorded after the visitation. Inurnment will be held at a later date in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley or the Kankakee Veterans Assistance Commission.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 9. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
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Tribute Wall

JW

“ John was a great leader, although soft-spoken and a cut to the chase type of manager. I remember his words, "work hard and play hard". RIP John and thanks for your USN service.

Jim Wennerholm - May 02, 2019 at 12:31 PM

CS

“ John was such a mentor for everyone who knew him. He always followed the rules even if he had to invent a new way to make things work in the endless paper mill we all had to follow. He was dedicated to the safety of everyone. He has left us too soon. He was always gracious and kind, even under pressure. What a teacher he was. We will miss him and always think of him in our stories and memories. Larry & Corrine Simon

Corrine Simon - April 09, 2019 at 08:06 PM

RC

“ It has been a pleasure to know John and Marilyn in Foley, AL for about 12 years. Our condolences to his family. John and I also shared our mutual power generating plant experiences from Zion and Kankakee, IL. and our Kankakee/Bourbonnais roots.

RICHARD CLAY - April 09, 2019 at 02:45 PM

JS

“ So sorry for your loss



Jerry Shreffler - April 09, 2019 at 10:31 AM



“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



George Golwitzer - April 09, 2019 at 08:24 AM

MM

“ MR MRS sent a virtual gift in memory of John J. Gilmore



MR MRS - April 09, 2019 at 08:23 AM



“ Dear Marilyn and family... We have so many wonderful memories of our winters in Alabama. LEO Club meetings were held often (Let's Eat Out). Ice Cream was consumed regularly. Movie nights and game nights involved much laughter. John always gave the Best Hugs! Rest in Peace John...you will be missed. Mike and Vicky Bealer

Vicky Bealer - April 08, 2019 at 06:25 PM

JL

“ Marilyn and family, Our sympathies go out to you at John's passing. I will always remember John as a colleague and as my Supervisor. He taught me many things about nuclear power, the Zion plant and how the ComEd management systems work. John was a great mentor for me. May he rest in Peace. Jim (&Karen) Lafontaine

Jim Lafontaine - April 08, 2019 at 12:29 PM