



John F. Neville

February 12, 1921 - January 6, 2012

Visitation for John F. Neville, 90, of Bourbonnais, formerly of Bradley, will be from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Monday at Maternity BVM Catholic Church, Bourbonnais. The Rev. Richard Pighini will officiate.

Burial will be in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood. Memorials may be made to Provena Our Lady of Victory or to Hospice of Kankakee Valley. He died Friday (Jan. 6, 2012) at Provena Our Lady of Victory.

Mr. Neville was retired from Mobil Oil and was a former employee of E.F. McDonald. He was born Feb. 12, 1921, in Chicago, the son of John F. and Ella L. Johnson Neville. His wife, the former Annabelle M. Callahan, whom he married April 25, 1943, in Walnut Ridge, Ark., died Dec. 12, 2010. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps, serving during World War II. He was one of the founding members of the Vintage Squadron. He had been inducted into the Military Aviation Hall of Fame of Illinois in 2002 and was on Honor Flight Chicago in August 2011. He was a former member of the Elks, the Moose, the Bradley VFW and the Bradley Senior Citizens.

Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, John Jr. and Michelle Neville, of North Chelmsford, Mass.; two daughters and sons-in-law, Karen and Dan

Wilken, of Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Pat and Randy Chaplinski, of Bourbonnais; six grandchildren, Lisa and Jeff Haas, Elizabeth and Michael Knuth, Dr. Michael Neville, Allison and Bryan Belville, Claire Chaplinski and her fiancé, Michael Saineghi, and Scott Chaplinski; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one grandson, Jeffrey Wilken.

The family would like to thank the staff at Provena Our Lady of Victory, Hospice of Kankakee Valley, and the office at Dr. Keith Moss for their dedicated care and support.

Memorials may be made to Provena Our Lady of Victory - www.provena.org/ourlady/
or Hospice of Kankakee Valley - www.hkvcares.org/

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

JAN 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church
308 E. Marsile
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-8285
<http://www.mbvchurch.org/>

Tribute Wall

MH

“ Thank you for calling me about John's death. His grandmother and my grandfather were brother and sister and lived across the street from each other. Although we were in the same generation in our family he was 20 years older, so did not see each other much. My husband and I were glad we had a good visit with him last September.

Marcia Pearson Herath - January 09, 2012 at 08:59 PM

JN

“ To John's Family,
I sit here thinking of how God works his magic. When I moved into the house on Pheasant Drive next to John and Annabelle I am sure they were nervous. I was 24 years old and I am sure they thought me to be the party animal. I did not know then how much fun we would have together. John said he had a custom car. The "Bon" was missing from the word Bonneville. The day I started to side my home made John a bit nervous. He did not want me on the ladder without him home. That was his caring father side being reflected to me. When I started to feed the neighborhood rabbits while John was attempting to raise a garden got me the title Rodent Queen. Moving away was one very sad day, however the beautiful. wonderful memories and my Rodent Queen mug keep the Neville neighbors with me always. John was definitely someone special.

In my prayers,
The Rodent Queen
A.K.A. Jenny

Jennifer Nourie - January 09, 2012 at 10:57 AM

SS

“ *Stephanie Schwartz lit a candle in memory of John F. Neville*



Stephanie schwartz - January 08, 2012 at 10:39 PM

SS

“ *John was a great man! He was always in a good mood! Always smiling,He will be missed by all! Loved taking care of him when he lived at Bickford!*

Stephanie Schwarz and debroh Hopkins-CNAS

Stephanie schwartz - January 08, 2012 at 10:39 PM

SS

I always enjoyed talking with John,he always made us laugh!

Stephanie schwartz - January 08, 2012 at 10:40 PM



“ Dear John, Pat & Karen

My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family for the loss of your father. I have many fond memories of growing up in Marycrest and spending time with your parents. Both your mother and father always welcomed me into your home and made me feel like one of the family. What I remember most about your father was that he was a man of great integrity and compassion. He will be missed by all.

Sincerely,

Alan Benoit



Alan Benoit - January 08, 2012 at 08:28 PM

SP

“ *My name is Shirley Pearson from Watseka and sometime in 1989 I had the privilege of taking a real estate course with John. We always sat together and shared our concerns about being older and our ability to still learn. We both did very well but only once did I receive a higher test score than John. Gradually I learned of his military accomplishments. He was proud but humble. We talked a few times in our real estate careers but never put anything together. Now over 20 years later I am about to retire from real estate. I certainly consider it an honor to have known John and extend my sincere sympathies to his family. Sincerely, Shirley Pearson*

Shirley Pearson - January 08, 2012 at 10:52 AM

JS

“ John and I met at Our Lady of Victory. I was there visiting my mother and we struck up a conversation. After walking around the home for over two years with Mom, I had many occasions to speak to this fine example of a war hero. He was probably the proudest veteran I have ever had the fortune to speak with. We spent time talking about all kinds of things over the last two years including one day spending time talking about stamp collecting. He was positively amazing how he could recall details of stamps that were made over 60 years ago. He and his daughter Pat will really be missed by me as I continue nightly walks with my 89 year old mother. John, may you rest in peace and may your family hear from others, what a terrific man their father was to them and all the other people he came in contact with. It will take me a long time to stop looking for him in his room at Our Lady of Victory.

Jeff P Smith, SR.

Jeff P Smith, Sr. - January 07, 2012 at 05:57 PM