



## John E. St. John

May 11, 1946 - October 27, 2022

John E. St. John was born on May 11, 1946 in Rolla, Missouri. He was adopted into the loving arms of Clyde Newton and Ruby Alice (Crawford) St. John soon after his birth. He was united in marriage to Linda Lea Kurtright on June 17, 1966 and to this union two children were born, Shannon E. St. John and Joey Janelle St. John. John departed this life on October 27, 2022 at home in Salem, MO.

John is survived by his daughter Joey (St. John) Crossgrove and husband Roger of Salem, MO; beloved granddaughter, Madison Grace Knight of Springfield, MO; and daughter-in-law, Laura (Smith) St. John of Salem, MO.

John is preceded in death by his wife, Linda Lea St. John; his son, Shannon E. St. John; his parents, Clyde and Ruby St. John; and his father and mother in-law, James and Maxine Kurtright.

After graduating from Southwest Missouri State University with a BS in Business, John enlisted in the US Army and served his country in the Vietnam war. Upon returning home, he worked in the family business, St. John Tire, alongside his father, Clyde; John and Linda were married for 39 years before her death in 2005. After retirement, John enjoyed traveling with Roger, Joey, & Maddie, playing in golf tournaments with Shannon, supporting the Salem Lady Tigers in softball and basketball, enjoying his daily lunch at the cafe, sharing

dinners with friends & family, and watching sports, game shows, and the Western channel.

John will be remembered for his kind and loving heart, his giving and generous nature, and the many long-winded stories he loved to share. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Memorial Services for John E. St. John were held Tuesday, November 1, 2022 in the Wilson Mortuary Salem Chapel with Roger Crossgrove officiating. Song selections played were "Sea of Heartbreak" and "My Way". Military Honors was provided by the Missouri Honors Team and American Legion Post 99. Arrangements were under the direction of Wilson Mortuary of Salem, Missouri.

Memorial Contributions may be made in memory of John St. John to the Spring Creek Golf Club Swimming Pool Fund or Warm My Heart and left with Wilson Mortuary. Memorial Cards will be available.

Online condolences may be entered at [www.wilsonmortuary.com](http://www.wilsonmortuary.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 1. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Mortuary - Salem  
1000 West Scenic Rivers Blvd.  
Post Office Box 45  
Salem, MO 65560  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



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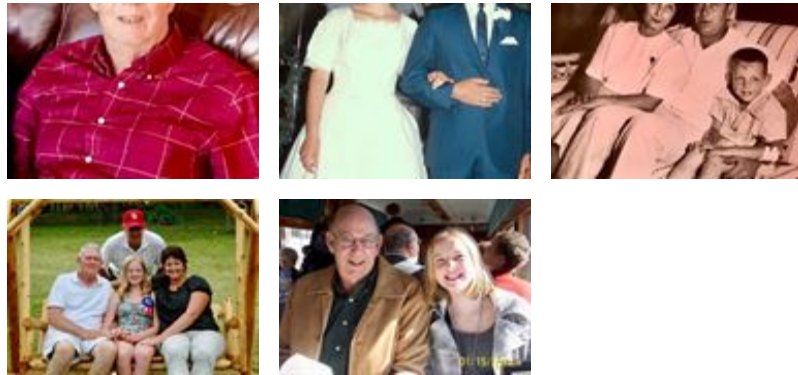


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**Wilson Mortuary** - November 01, 2022 at 04:58 PM



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**Wilson Mortuary** - October 31, 2022 at 08:58 PM



“ A true treasure of a man that will truly be missed by many. May the reunion of those precious 3, Bub, John and Linda, bring a smile to those left behind.

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**Teresa** - October 28, 2022 at 06:11 PM

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*Sending my sympathy to Joey and Madison, and family. We were classmates and Johnny was always witty and fun. Back in the day when people (kids) hung May baskets on doors of friends, his parents drove him to our house...in the country, and hung a May basket for me. He will be missed.*

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**Barbara Pickering-Brooks** - October 28, 2022 at 06:19 PM

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“ *Glad to call him friend! RIP a with Linda & Shannon!*  
*Much love and prayers for Joey, Roger, Maddie and all who loved him!*



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**Jan** - October 28, 2022 at 02:11 PM