



John Frances Caster

July 21, 1934 - December 28, 2020

John Caster, 86, passed away on December 28, 2020. He was born July 21, 1934 to Eugene and Madge Caster. He is survived by his wife Marjorie Caster, daughter Betty Bartholow, son Larry Caster, granddaughter Jonni Ruffin and grandson-in-law Anthony Ruffin, grandson Casey Bartholow granddaughter-in-law LaShell Bartholow, granddaughter Laurel Caster, grandson Logan Caster and great-grandson Arilian Lawson. He is preceded in death by his son Jeffrey Caster, brother Bill Caster and son-in-law Brent Bartholow. The family will be holding a private memorial.

John led a long and fulfilling life having married the love of his life at the age of 19 and raising three children. John was a successful businessman known for being a tough negotiator. He had an extended network of close friends and family spread throughout the United States and overseas who would all attest to John's wit, acumen and kindness. To know John was to know that you had a true and genuine friend for life. Never missing a choir practice, he was an active member of the Baptist Church. John was loved by many and will be greatly missed.

Tribute Wall

LT

“ *It is with great sadness that just today (June 20, 2021) of John's death. My mother, Norma Jean (Yeater) Tilton is his cousin. She and I had been recently trying to contact him to see if he and Marge could join us for lunch sometime soon.*

Just last week mom took my brothers (Tim & Mack) and our collection of spouses on a two day trip to Albany and New Hampton to show us our family history. We saw several headstones with the Caster name on them and we all shared stories of John and Bill as well as the rest of the Caster family.

John took a life with humble beginnings and made it into a jewel. I have several memories of him: his dealership on Wornall Road, he helped me buy a couple of cars through the years, looked me up at the Walnut Valley Festival in Winfield to say hi, and he and Bill coming to my mom's 92nd birthday a couple of years ago.

John was a class act. He had excellent stories, high energy, a great sense of humor, and was always interested in what is going on with our lives.

Our lives are diminished with his loss. God bless Marge and his family & all of us left behind with saddened hearts.

Linda Tilton

Linda Tilton - June 20, 2021 at 10:47 PM

MS

“ Our beloved Uncle John. The city boy who married into a big family of Ozark country folk. My late father once told me that he and his brothers used to say that John Caster wouldn't amount to much when he married their sister. Then my dad laughed and said, "Boy, did we eat them words. He did better than the rest of us put together!" Uncle John not only made a good life for his family with his business successes, he had a tender heart, a beautiful devotion to his wife, our wonderful Aunt Marge, and you could listen to him talk for hours. He was that interesting. Many years ago, when he gave up smoking, he gave me one of his pipes, which I still display in my hutch. He took me on adventures, driving me around the KC area to show me places I had lived when I was very little. He is well deserving of the rewards that await him. I cannot express how much I will miss him, as we all will.

Mitzi Smith - January 12, 2021 at 04:24 AM

NC

“ I'm not sure there are words to adequately express the grief I feel regarding my beautiful Uncle John's passing. He is half (his "bride" the other half) of what I consider one of the greatest influences in my life. Always in my corner. Always encouraging. Always loving. I don't know where I would be without his constant, unwavering support. I type this with grief, a little anger at what COVID has destroyed, and a whole bunch of love and gratitude. He was a great man, not just in size, but a GREAT MAN. I love you. I will miss you.
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Noelle Caylor - January 11, 2021 at 10:52 PM

 Cheryl
Smith-
Enochs

“ *Uncle John and Aunt Marge were there for me a long time ago and I know they would help me again. He will always have an extra special place in my heart.*



Cheryl Smith-Enochs - January 11, 2021 at 10:38 PM

CM

“ *A real man. A true gentleman. Loved and admired by all that knew him. Intelligent, witty, and one helluva businessman. He inspired success in so many of his nieces and nephews with his knowledge and generosity. I will miss him and love him, forever.*

Catherine E Maples - January 11, 2021 at 10:29 PM