



Thurman John Anderson

August 2, 1923 - October 31, 2014

Thurman H. "John" Anderson, 91, of Joplin passed away at his home at 11:55 p.m. Friday, October 31, 2014. John was born August 2, 1923 in Jane, Missouri. He was the son of Millard J. Anderson and Eva L. "Kimbrow" Anderson. John was a longtime Joplin resident. He served in the United States Navy during World War II. John was employed in the grocery business for 42 years in the Joplin area, and continued to work another 20 years after retirement. He was a member of Community Chapel in Joplin. John was united in marriage to Juanita Smith Washington on January 18, 1966 in Goodman, Missouri. She preceded him in death on March 2, 2008.

Survivors include two daughters, Helen Diane Ranz of Joplin and Judith Anne Anderson of Joplin, two step-sons; William L. Smith of Joplin and Ross L. Smith of Kansas City, MO, 9 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and one great great granddaughter. John was preceded in death by one daughter, Sandra Kaye Boehne on December 3, 1965, one brother, Thomas "T.J." Anderson and three sisters; Mae Boston, Clella Maxwell and Ruby McGaugh. Services will be 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 5, 2014 at the Ulmer Funeral Home. Visitation will be 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 4, 2014 at the Ulmer Funeral Home. Burial will be in Park Cemetery. Contributions may be made to Disabled American Veterans in care of the Ulmer Funeral Home. On line condolences may be sent to www.ulmerfh.com. Arrangements are under the direction of the Ulmer Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

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“ He was the best neighbour a young couple could ask for. He absolutely enjoyed the company of our dog "Rusty". Sometimes he would actually sneak him in his house and keep him for a couple days or a week even *giggles*. I really didn't mind it at all. There where plenty of times within the two years of being John's neighbour I would bring over cinnamon buns and biscuits and gravy, Which he thoroughly enjoyed. I do miss his smiles every chance we saw each other. And the waves I got before heading to work.I have been blessed to have the privilege to meet Mr Anderson. He truly was a joy to be around and a honest man at that. Rest in love and peace John. You will be missed by us, your neighbours.

christine atkinson - November 04, 2014 at 10:36 PM

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“ Papa Shelbie and I will miss you very much. We always looked forward to coming to visit you in March every year we will be by to visit you at your final resting place very soon. You will always have a special place in our hearts.

mary patterson - November 04, 2014 at 10:25 PM

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“ Precious Memories!! Dad's passing has left such a huge void in my heart, as I'm sure it has for all who knew and loved him. May The Lord comfort all in this time of such great loss.

Larry Martin - November 03, 2014 at 09:35 AM