



John Matthew Vranjes

June 8, 1941 - March 5, 2016

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Brewster, WA

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John was born June 8, 1941 and passed away suddenly in his home on March 5, 2016. John was born and raised in Los Angeles, California. After high school and a short time in college, John served briefly with the military and then was relieved and entered into the small business at his 76 Station in downtown LA. That was where he met Sue Terry and they married July 27, 1968. Together and in love they celebrated over 45 years and raised three children. They decided to move to Washington State in 1986 after selling their businesses. They moved built a beautiful home and spent 30 active years in the Brewster and Bridgeport communities. Although John retired in Brewster, he decided to give farming a try. He planted 3.5 acres of cherries and was self-taught at how to work his crop. He maintained that orchard for over twenty five years and only ever had to hire pickers to harvest his crop. He had great pride in his work and just had finished pruning his trees this year with assistance for the first time. His hobbies outside of work included: camping, USC football, cars, and his ultimate passion was golf. John lived a healthy, active, and full life.

He is preceded in death by his father, Sam Vranjes and mother, Ruth Vanna-Vranjes; along with his only brother, Sam Vranjes; and his loving wife, Sue, who passed away in 2013. He is survived by his children: Terry Matthew Vranjes and Traci Jo Vranjes-Phillips; a son-in-law, Dan Phillips; and two grandchildren, Ethan and Carlyn; a stepson, Stephen Timothy Wapato and stepdaughter, Jennifer Dobbs; a nephew, Sam Vranjes and niece, Antoinette Vranjes; and a cousin, Rose Ann Areu; also a close friend Judy Clipp; and his golfing friends who he felt were family. Friends may visit and view, Thursday, March 10, from 2pm-5pm. A memorial service will be held, Friday, March 11 at 11:00 am at Jones & Jones – Betts Memorial Chapel, 302 9th Street, Wenatchee, WA. Interment will follow at Evergreen Memorial Park, 1301 10th Street NE, East Wenatchee, WA. Flowers may be purchased from Apple Blossom Floral, (509)884-7838.

Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at jonesjonesbetts.com.

Arrangements are by Jones & Jones – Betts Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 10. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (PT)

Jones & Jones ~ Betts Funeral Home
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Jones & Jones - Betts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Matthew Vranjes



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - March 11, 2016 at 03:45 PM

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“ Terry, Traci, and family,
We are so sorry for the loss of your Father. The neighborhood will not seem complete without him. I always enjoyed stopping and visiting with him as I rode my bike by his place. He was either working in the orchard or walking his little dog. He had such a great sense of humor.
Thank you for the pictures you shared.
With thoughts and prayers,
Dan and Kim

Kim Webster - March 14, 2016 at 11:19 AM



“ 92 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - March 10, 2016 at 05:28 PM



“ *The world has lost a wonderful man. Kind and with a ready smiles, he was always such fun to be with. We spent many days camping at Foggy Dew and Loup Loup sharing time with friends and family. Our best times were the hours and hours we spent played pinochle with John and Sue. They were the best friends anyone could ask for. Will miss you JV !!!*

- Gary and Janie Cooper

Janie and Coop - March 09, 2016 at 08:05 PM



“ *I will always fondly remember the fun times we had camping with John & Sue. John was such a good friend to Tim, and to watch the two of them together, I was never sure who enjoyed their back and forth joking around more! And their cribbage games were something to witness as well. We will both miss him very much.*

Carlee Lawless - March 09, 2016 at 01:40 PM