



John E. Jourdain

November 20, 1936 - February 9, 2019

John Eugene Jourdain age 82, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 9, 2019 at home surrounded by his family. He was born the son of Archie and Dorothy (McFarland) Jourdain on Nov. 20, 1936 on the family farm near Clare. John married Janice McClintic on April 30, 1960 and she survives him. He was a farmer by trade, as well as a carpenter. He had great pride in the several homes that he built or remodeled. He also was civic minded and was involved with the Isabella County 4-H and served on the Isabella County Fair Board for several years. He was also a member of the Moose Lodge. Family was first and foremost for John, but he also enjoyed deer hunting, dancing, a neighborhood Pepper Club, or just playing cards with friends and family. John is survived by his wife Janice, his children, Christine (Bill) Barker of Hartland, MI, his son, Greg (Lisa) Jourdain of Clare, his grandchildren, Jessica (Coty Sowle) Jourdain, Katie Jourdain, and Jordan Barker, step-grandchildren, Elyse (Dustin) Thren, Alana and Cole Keene and his sister, Joyce (Gene) Pety of Lake Isabella. He was preceded in death by his brother Jerry.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Feb. 16, at 11:00 AM at the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Cherry Grove Cemetery. Friends may meet with his family at the funeral home on Friday from 4 to 8 PM. Memorials may be directed to the Isabella County Fair, PO Box 28, Mt Pleasant, MI 48804. On-line guestbook at www.stephenso n-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

Cherry Grove Cemetery

1000 Cedar St.
Clare, MI 48617

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **15**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)
1005 North McEwan St.
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Tribute Wall

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“ I saw John on an episode of "The Incredible Dr.Pol." He seemed to be a man of such obvious goodness that it came through on camera. The way he complimented Dr. Emily Thomas, DVM, after she pulled a calf from a cow in distress gave me chills. John reminded me of my grandfather the way he referred to Dr. Thomas, respectfully, as a "little gal" when admiring how hard she worked to save the calf and mother. Maybe modern feminists may not understand that compliment, but I did. He was genuinely impressed with her skill and power. I, too, have been inspired by watching Dr. Emily and the rest of the Vets give their all to help animals and the people who love them.

John reminded me of my father in law, also a farmer, who exudes the same kind of kindness that comes from working hard with your hands to build and grow things, as opposed to so many who take, destroy and disparage today. God bless John and his family. When goodness comes through the TV screen prompting a Google search, well, you must be a pretty good soul. I'm sorry my Google search resulted in John's obituary, but I am glad to have the read about his life. Your husband, father and grandfather was the type of person who made this country great.

Brett Smith - December 30, 2022 at 08:15 PM

JJ

“ McFarlanE Not McFarlanD

John J - March 04, 2022 at 05:52 AM

TC

“ *Teresa Mester Carlson lit a candle in memory of John E. Jourdain*



Teresa Mester Carlson - February 17, 2019 at 12:48 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of John E. Jourdain.*



February 14, 2019 at 05:15 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John E. Jourdain.*



February 14, 2019 at 11:33 AM

TA

“ *The Washington State Snowmobile Association purchased the Heavenly Light for the family of John E. Jourdain.*



The Washington State Snowmobile Association - February 13, 2019 at 08:53 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of John E. Jourdain.*



February 13, 2019 at 05:25 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of John's passing. I will remember all the 4H meetings at your house and the woodworking he helped our kids with. I still have the sign's they made for the steers. You guys were the greatest friends ever. He will be missed. My love to you and your families. Sandie Brewer*

Sandie Brewer - February 13, 2019 at 01:38 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family. He was a very kind man.*

Barbara and Dennis Brown - February 13, 2019 at 07:31 AM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for entire family. Wonderful larger than life man who never met a stranger. The Dows*

Craig and Ongria Dow - February 12, 2019 at 09:38 PM

DA

“ We are so sorry to loose another great friend. We will remember John and Janice at the fair taking charge of the Grandstand Ticket Booth for many years. John was always just a phone call away when there was a job to be done. You will be missed good friend!
Al and Deb Acker

Deb Acker - February 12, 2019 at 09:18 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of John E. Jourdain.



February 12, 2019 at 12:40 PM