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John Julian Brophy loving husband, father, grandfather and brother passed away Thursday, April 21, 2011 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Born on his mother's birthday, February 23, 1927 in Morris, Illinois to Charles J. and Julia E. Brophy. The family moved to Des Moines, Iowa where John attended Dowling High School. John joined the Navy and served in WWII with the joint communications in the mountains on Guam. Graduated Drake University in 1949. He married his wife of 60 years, in 1950, Gretchen, whom he met on a blind date. John and Gretchen enjoyed traveling, trips to Branson and spending time with family and especially their grandchildren. John retired as the owner of Blind Ambitions in 2010. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Survived by his wife, Gretchen and their seven children. Bob Brophy and his wife Sherri and their daughters, Meagan and Kelly; John L. Brophy and his wife, Laura and their sons Patrick and Andy; Peggy McKnight and her husband Alton, and her children Troy and Gretchen; David Brophy; Tom Brophy and his wife, Kym and their daughters Amelia and Olivia; Chris Brophy; Jenny Herman and her husband Dean and their sons Luke, Joshua and Jacob and four great grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister Mary Olson and her husband Vern. He is preceded in death by his parents, Charles J. and Julia E. Brophy; his brother, Edward E. Brophy; his sister, Joanne I. Brophy; and grandson, Michael L. Brophy.



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SL

Sister Donata Landkamer posted:

Mary sent me the link to this obituary. You are all in my thoughts and prayers during this time of loss. Jack's Dad and I met in Des Moines when I was stationed there. A cousin was working on a genealogy of the Brophy side of our family. I was asked to check on the Brophys in Des Moines to see if they were related. I found that Charlie and Dan were distant cousins and we had a great time visiting. I met John when he came to visit. Charlie always included me in get togethers with family. They became my family away from home. May the Lord give you comfort and peace.

April 29 at 8:57 AM

CH

Carlette Harris posted:

Jenny, I am so sorry for your loss. I enjoyed working with your dad. He was a wonderful man. Prayers for you and your family.

April 28 at 2:42 PM

KA

Keith Austin posted:

Mrs Brophy and Family I am sorry I missed the services for Mr Brophy, I just learned of his passing. I can say I loved Mr Brophy. He saw the potential in me as a young man and always had time to visit with me about life and Business. My time working for you all was instrumental in any additional success I have enjoyed. I could tell Mr Brophy was proud of me and appreciated my contribution to business. Every young person could benefit from the opportunity to Mentor with such a wise man. Pam and I truly mourn with you. With All My Affection Keith Austin

April 27 at 10:37 AM

BW

Barbara And Bill Wright posted:

John was our neighbor for many years. He was a wonderful man. He will be missed by many. May God bless Gretchen and John's family and friends as you grieve this fine man.

April 26 at 5:49 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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