



John Vote

July 2, 1940 - September 23, 2018

John Vote, Jr., 78, of Morrisville, MO passed away Sunday, September 23, 2018 at Cox Medical Center in Springfield, MO.

John was born July 2, 1940 near Morrisville, MO to John and Mildred Long Vote. After High School, John went on to serve his country faithfully in the United States Marine Corps. He enjoyed teasing his brothers that in his time with the Marines, he spent more time on ships than they had in the Navy. John loved his time in the Marines, and was able to serve in Hong Kong, Guam, Philippines and Japan. During his time abroad, he especially enjoyed representing the Corp as a boxer.

After being discharged, John moved back to the Morrisville area, where he met Bonnie on a blind date in the fall of 1962 and were married January 25, 1963. He began working at Hormel as a butcher. He worked alongside his brother, Ron as a butcher at Slagle, MO. He worked at Bolivar Meat Locker plant. It was there that he met and trained his good friend, Tom Wilson. He also worked at a meat locker plant in Siloam Springs, AR. He also worked for Bill Grant's Dairy Farm for over 16 years and was known as Bill's right-hand man.

In what little spare time he had, John enjoyed fishing. He was always happy to reel in a big catfish. He was also a big music fan and had an extensive

collection of vinyl records. John also enjoyed putting his farm skills to use in his own garden where he loved to grow tomatoes. Even in a hot year, he could grow up to 80 plants.

John loved his family dearly and leaves behind a legacy of hard work and service to others.

John is preceded in death by his parents; John William Vote, Sr. and Mildred Vote. He is also preceded by his brother, Ronald Leon Vote, and his sister-in-law, Carolyn Sue Vote and Grandchild Baby Hickman.

John is survived by his loving wife, Bonnie Bays Vote of Morrisville, and his children: Ronda Crabtree and husband JR of Willard, MO, Gina Phillips and husband David of Aldrich, MO, Lisa Hickman and husband Lullel of Walnut Grove, Mo, and John J. Vote and wife Julie of Socorro, NM.

John is also survived by his grandchildren; Heather Singell (David), Brian Butler (Codie), Derrick Phillips (Rachel), Rachel Swortwood (M.J.), Logan Hickman, Lacy Jones (Juan), McKenna Kiah (Joey), Emily Vote, Olivia Vote, Angel Guevara, Cody Crabtree (Kelsey) and Holly Crabtree (Danny). He is also survived by his great-grandchildren; Constance, Ivy and Paige Singell, Addison Butler, Amira and Alyah Jones, Caden, Bristol, Carson and Rider Crabtree, Hunter Howerton and the soon to be Gracie Swortwood.

He is also survived by his siblings; Roger Vote and wife Sharon, Jim Vote and wife Loretta, Mary Wytroval, Richard Vote and wife Brenda, Earl Vote and wife Emma, and David Vote and wife Beverly.

And many nieces, nephews, and extended family.

Contributions can be made in John's name to the Veterans' Home in Mt. Vernon.

Visitation will be held Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 10 AM at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO.

Funeral Services for John Vote will be held Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **27**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar
407 E. Broadway
Bolivar, MO 65613
(417) 326-5233
<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *John Vote*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *John Vote*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Jun, was one of the sweetest men I ever knew. He always had a smile and sweet things to say to you no matter how long it had been since you saw him last. He loved Bonnie and his children with all his heart. My heart is broken for them all.*

Beverly Matthews - September 25, 2018 at 07:12 PM



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Ronda - September 25, 2018 at 04:39 PM

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Gina - September 25, 2018 at 12:45 PM

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Gina - September 25, 2018 at 12:43 PM



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John Vote - September 25, 2018 at 11:19 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of John Vote.



September 25, 2018 at 09:57 AM

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Gina - September 24, 2018 at 10:50 PM

GP

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Gina Phillips - September 24, 2018 at 10:41 PM

DJ

“ So sorry for your loss Bonnie, love you and your family . Love
Debbie and Kenny jackson

debbie jackson - September 24, 2018 at 10:05 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of
John Vote.



September 24, 2018 at 09:33 PM

JV

“ *John (Jr.) Vote.*

Is my older brother. I could not have picked a better one.

R.I.P. Jr.

Joe.

Joe Vote - September 24, 2018 at 02:39 PM