



John Anthony Meister

February 5, 1923 - October 31, 2017

John Anthony Meister, 94, of Grand Island died Tuesday, October 31, 2017 at Good Samaritan of Grand Island.

Mass of Christian burial will be 10:00 a.m. Friday at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. Celebrant will be Father Marty Egging. Burial will be in Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery.

Visitation will from 4-6 p.m. Thursday at the church with a Vigil Service at 6:00 p.m. All Faiths Funeral Home is serving the family.

Mr. John Meister was born February 5, 1923 in Greeley County to Peter and Mary (Nealon) Meister. John grew up and received his education at Elsie, Nebraska. On August 28, 1944 he married Patricia Ann Nealon in O'Conner, NE, at the Church of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Following their marriage they farmed in Greeley County before moving to Grand Island in 1953. John owned and operated Meister Brothers Sand and Gravel with his brothers. He then worked for Hall County Highway Department for 15 years until his retirement.

John was a member of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Eagles and Knights of Columbus. A talented musician, John could play nearly any instrument. He and two of his brothers comprised "Meister Brothers Band", playing bluegrass music at nursing homes and hospitals throughout central Nebraska for a number of years.

Those left to cherish his memory include his nine children, Mary Ann (Ron) Garver of Saratoga, WY, John (Patti) Meister, Tom Meister, Robert Meister

(Jean Mohnike), Frank (Donna) Meister, Renee (Kerry) McGrath, Jim (Tracy) Meister, all of Grand Island, Maggie (John) Iliff of Leesburg, FL and Annette Dugan of Lincoln; sister, Anna "Annie" Maser of Green River, WY; sisters-in-law, Esther "Sally" Meister of Grand Island, Lois Ann Meister of Grand Island and Eileen Meister of Laramie WY; and brothers-in-law, Leonard Deschene of Windsor, CO and Gene Nelson of Cheyenne, WY.

He is also survived by 27 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren and 10 great great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Patricia; infant daughter, Jeannette; parents; brothers, William, Francis, James and Robert; sisters, Marie Smollen, Marguerite "Marcy" Deschene, Emma "Bobbie" Kratzik and Roberta "Berkie" Nelson; son-in-law, John Dugan Jr. and great great-grandchild, Ruxten Patrick Meister.

Memorials are suggested to Central Catholic Schools or Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Memorial Park

Grand Island, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 2. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
518 West State Street
Grand Island, NE 68801

Vigil Service

NOV 2. 6:00 PM (CT)

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
518 West State Street
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Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
518 West State Street
Grand Island, NE 68801

Tribute Wall



“ *John Anthony Meister*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *To all of the Meister family, may God comfort you and ease your sorrow at the loss of John. He and Grandma Pat we such a wonderful part of our daughters life when they cared for her as a baby and toddler. Kailey loved "Grandpas" music and "Grandmas" baking skills! And we can't forget the love they gave her too. Please know that you all are in our prayers.*

Shauna and Daniel Rock

Shauna Rock - November 03, 2017 at 09:55 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of John Anthony Meister.*



November 03, 2017 at 11:47 AM

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“ John,

No matter the age it is hard to lose a parent. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

*Pat and Linda Wenzl
Stevens Point Wisconsin*

Pat & Linda Wenzl - November 02, 2017 at 12:06 PM