



John Francis Weatherly

April 8, 1927 - October 15, 2019

John Francis Weatherly, 92, of Grand Island, passed away October 15, 2019 at Riverside Lodge Retirement Community. At John's request, cremation was chosen. There will be a gathering of friends and family at the Elks Lodge in Grand Island on Friday, October 18th, at 11 am, to celebrate, honor, and remember John's life. There will be a private family inurnment at Rose Hill Cemetery, in Callaway, NE, at a later date. All Faiths Funeral Home in Grand Island is entrusted with the arrangements.

John, the youngest son of Harry and Regina (Beshaler) Weatherly, was born April 8, 1927 on the Weatherly family farm, six miles north of Oconto. John went to school at Tucker-ville, then his Junior and Senior years were spent at Callaway High School, where he graduated in 1944.

At the age of 18, he enlisted into the United States Army, part of the Blue Devils Division in WWII in Italy, the 349 Infantry Regiment, serving from June 1945 to Jan. 1947.

John married Evelyn Piper on Nov 8, 1950 in Broken Bow, NE. From this union was Linda (Jim) Lempke of Ogallala, Larry (Jo) of Fort Collins, Norman)Bonnie) of Casper, Wyoming, and John Jr. of Hastings..

John worked for the International Harvester Sales Store in Lexington, where they built their first home. He later purchased the International Dealership, renaming it Weatherly Farm Supply, in Callaway from 1955-1963.

In 1963 the family moved to Grand Island, where John became a salesman for the International Dealership for 22 years. In 1987, John Started a small

business selling farm equipment, power units, irrigation trailers, cattle gates, and trailers. He was an agent for Curry Seed Corn. He never officially retired as he continued to sell well into his 80's.

John and Evelyn enjoyed many camping and fishing trips up to the Sand Hill lakes, McConahy, and Glen Elders; several cruises; and gambling trips to Vegas, Alco, and Wendover.

In 2011, John participated on the Hero's Flight from Grand Island to Washington, DC. He was so proud to have the honor of placing the wreath on the Unknown Soldier's gravesite.

John was a member of the Platt Duetsche, Elks, and Legion in Grand Island. He is survived by his children, eight grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, sister-in-law Helen of Corvallis, OR, and many nieces and nephews and their families.

John was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Evelyn; brothers and sisters-in-law Harlan and Wanda Weatherly, Robert and Rita Weatherly; half brothers Oakley and Laretta Weatherly, Ross and Verna Weatherly; brother-in-law, Larry Hearing; sisters-in-law, Louise Prichart, Ruth Call, Shirley Call, and Shirley Criss.

Memorials are suggested to the family for later designation.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering

OCT 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

Grand Island Elks Lodge

Tribute Wall



“ *John Francis Weatherly*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *To John Jr. and all your Family:*

My condolences to you, John Jr. and all your family. It is so difficult to lose our loved ones at any age. Your Dad was blessed to live a good, long life.

Please know that you are all in our prayers.

May God comfort you in your loss.

Mark & Mary Gallagher

Mark Gallagher - October 17, 2019 at 04:52 PM



“ *Dear Linda and Jim,*

A quick note to express my sympathy to you at the death of your dad. Its never easy to let them go, but in the end he's at home with the Lord. No doubt he's putting a deal together in heaven with st Peter! Love and prayers, Fr Bryan Ernest

Fr Bryan Ernest - October 17, 2019 at 11:31 AM



“ *Linda, I'm so sorry to hear about your dad. I wish I could be there to hug you in person. My prayers go out to you and all your family. Love you, my friend.*

Pam Schultz - October 17, 2019 at 07:34 AM