



## John V. Eilers

August 12, 1927 - July 23, 2016

John V. Eilers, 88, of Kearney, died Saturday, July 23, 2016 at Mother Hull Home.

A memorial service will be held at 11 am Friday, July 29th at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home. Rev. Dean Pofahl will officiate. According to his wishes John was cremated.

Memorials are suggested to the Wounded Warrior Project. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com).

John Victor Eilers was born on August 12, 1927 at West Point, Nebraska to Victor and Mary (Kamphus) Eilers. He grew up in eastern Nebraska.

John was united in marriage to LaDonna J. Schleeter on April 24, 1946 in Kearney, Nebraska. The couple made their home in Kearney. John and LaDonna recently celebrated their 70th Wedding Anniversary.

He is survived by his wife, LaDonna of Kearney; two sons, John and wife Lorrie of Aberdeen, WA and Ron and wife Jo of Kearney; grandchildren, Brad Eilers and wife Karla of Aberdeen, WA, Joely Eilers of Olympia, WA, Jon Eilers and wife Linny of Lincoln, Aaron Eilers and wife Melinda of Arthur, NE and Adam Eilers and wife Misha of Kearney; 11 great grandchildren; special

friends, Gene and Twyla Simpkins of Kearney; and special niece, Janice Utecht of Papillion, NE.

John was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, many nieces, nephews and cousins.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL **29**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *John V. Eilers*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Sharon K Green lit a candle in memory of John V. Eilers*



**Sharon K Green** - July 30, 2016 at 10:26 AM



*i worked with John and he allways had a smile on his face.I must add that his Son Ron and wife are friends I Miss Seeing them Since I had to retire! So sorry for your Loss Heaven now Has Another Angel Smiling on us!!*

**Sharon K Green** - July 30, 2016 at 10:36 AM



“ *Raymond Schroer lit a candle in memory of John V. Eilers*



**Raymond Schroer** - July 30, 2016 at 08:18 AM



“ So sorry for your loss!!! I worked many years with John at the Walmart in Kearney. He will be greatly missed!



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**Stephanie Leibhart Kruse** - July 29, 2016 at 08:32 PM

BE

“ LaDonna and family sending my thoughts and Prayers for you at this time. I always enjoyed our shared words at work. John always had something to say that brightened the day. Betty Wintermote

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**Betty** - July 29, 2016 at 08:12 PM

RS

“ You know John liked you if he gave you a bad time! We will miss the times when we worked together at walmart and all of the campouts! RIP John, until we meet again will miss your sense of humor.



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**Roger and Renee Swearingen** - July 29, 2016 at 11:16 AM

EH

“ Uncle Johnny was a treasure. Loved him so much. Love to all the family. Richard and Elaine Hansen

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**Elaine Hansen** - July 28, 2016 at 10:51 PM

JD

“ I enjoyed being on the bowling team with John and a couple of trips to McCook to a tournament, He worked for my dad at the Kearney Laundry for years and always had a smile on his face. He will be missed by many. Sorry I cannot be at the service due to an out of town commitment.

Jim Downing - July 28, 2016 at 02:13 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John V. Eilers.



July 27, 2016 at 11:23 PM

BS

“ Bambi Staab lit a candle in memory of John V. Eilers



Bambi Staab - July 27, 2016 at 01:58 PM

RS

“ Ron Fulmer And Sheri lit a candle in memory of John V. Eilers



Ron Fulmer and Sheri - July 27, 2016 at 09:15 AM

LG

“ *Love Aaron (Eilers), Melinda and Girls. purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of John V. Eilers.*



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**Love Aaron (Eilers), Melinda and Girls.** - July 26, 2016 at 02:44 PM

SM

“ *John was one of the funniest people I will probably ever know. The husbands and wives of the bowling team use to make an annual trip to the Bowling tournament in McCook NE. All I know is he had us laughing all weekend and between him, son Ron and The rest my ribs literally ached on Monday from laughing so hard. Later on in life, he always had a smile and a joke for me when I entered Walmart!!! He was a great guy. Heaven gained an angel and he will be making all them laugh!!!!*

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**Susan Muchmore-Phelps** - July 26, 2016 at 12:02 PM

BR

*So sorry to hear this :(..Uncle John will be so missed..hugs Aunt LaDonna <3 my prayers and blessings always..Bev*

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**beverly reffior** - July 29, 2016 at 08:50 PM

TH

*John was so awesome, I worked very close to him at Wal-Mart. I was the dept manager of Ladies wear and we had very good conversation every day. Thoughts and Prayers to all his family!!! He will be greatly missed.*

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**Teri Hansen** - August 01, 2016 at 06:02 PM

BW

*It was through his son, John (while with KPD), that I met John. I always remember him with a story to tell, his infectious laughter and smile. He was always a pleasure to talk to.*

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**Bob Winqest** - August 02, 2016 at 03:35 PM

NW

*I am so sorry to hear of John's passing. I worked with him at Wal-Mart in Kearney for nearly 10 years. He was such a great guy. Always giving us a bad time. Have not seen him in several years for I moved to Lincoln 7 years ago. He will be missed by a lot of people. He now is an Angel watching over you.*

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**Nadine Westwood** - August 06, 2016 at 05:41 PM