



John W. Ritchey

September 13, 2021

John W. Ritchey, 84, passed away on Monday, September 13, 2021, at Fulton County Medical Center, in McConnellsburg, PA. Born in Everett, PA, John was the son of the late Theresa and Rush G. Ritchey and the loving husband to Mary A. Strait Ritchey for 35 years before her passing in 2000.

He served honorably in the U.S. Army as Military Police and after he came home was a dedicated employee at Commonwealth Telephone Co. for 50 years before his retirement.

John's compassion, and willingness to give will be missed dearly by his family and friends who remember him as a gentle giant. He was a very social guy who knew most people. He enjoyed relaxing on Sundays. John truly loved nature, hunting, being outside, and sitting on his cabin's porch, where he spent his final days. His cat named Kitty was very special to him.

John is survived by a son, Joseph L. Ritchey, Robertsdale, PA, a daughter Heather L. Ruble (Rob), Peach Bottom, PA, grandchildren Joseph A. Ritchey, Jocelynn M. Ritchey, Anthony L. Ritchey, Darian N. Ruble, Chase R. Ruble, Alexis M. Ruble, Madison L. Ruble, Corey R. Ruble, along with numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brothers George Ritchey, Frank Ritchey, and sisters Susan Foor, Kathryn Cassey, Anna Deshong, and Elsie McDonald.

Family and friends are invited to a Graveside Service where his body will be returned to the ground on Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at 1 p.m. in Riverview Burial Park, Lancaster with Pastor Randy Hershey officiating.

Memorial donations in John's name may be made to American Legion, P.O. Box 361624, Indianapolis, IN 46236-1624.

Cemetery Details

Riverview Burial Park

South Duke Street
Lancaster, PA 17603

Previous Events

Graveside

SEP 22. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *John W. Ritchey*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *From the Bill Kipp family, our deepest condolences -- he was a GREAT guy. He'll be remembered by us a happy and loving guy. He was very special to our family.*

Karen Kipp for the Bill Kipp Family

Karen Peiffer - September 19, 2021 at 02:52 PM



“ *Will never forget each and every time I would hear "Hey Sadie" I knew it was John Ritchey. Growing up around him was a blessing. Love and prayers for all the family.*

Cathy Pierce

Cathy Pierce - September 18, 2021 at 05:37 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. Pop"John" always had a special place in my heart. I adopted him as my Pop many years ago. He and I enjoyed sitting outside and having coffee, of course sharing childhood memories and stories with one another. I did my best to look out for Pop, especially when he lived alone. Now he has gone home to be with the Lord, he will no longer suffer and finally rest in peace.*



Donna Church - September 18, 2021 at 12:37 PM