



John George Gunkel, III

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Obituary of Mr. John George Gunkel, III

Mr. John George Gunkel, III of Rehoboth Beach, DE and formerly of Westview Park Catonsville, MD passed away on Thursday, April 22, 2021 at Cadia Health Care Renaissance in Millsboro. He was 95 years old.

John was born in Baltimore, MD to the late Elmer and Edna Gunkel on March 19, 1926.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his wife Marian H. Gunkel in 2015.

He retired from Baltimore City Fire Dept as acting Lt. after 31 years of service. He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Catonsville, MD, a member of Masonic Lodge in Catonsville, MD and was also a US Navy Veteran serving on USS Bryce Canyon serving during WWII and the Korean War Era. He received the American Theater Ribbon and the victory Medal. In his free time, he enjoyed reading, gardening, playing cards, and duck pin bowling. John was known to be honest, dependable, loving, caring, a good friend, and a dedicated & staunch patriot. He knew how to hold his ground and make a stand when necessary. He adored his daughters and will be dearly missed.

He is survived by three daughters Kate Kane of Elverson, PA; Robin Camponeschi (Gary) of Perry Hall, MD and Melanie T. Gunkel of Rehoboth Beach, DE. He also leaves behind a sister Delores Palmer (Fred) of Bear DE; special friends Charles "Buck" Hicks and Jack Ward as well as four grandchildren Jason Brooks, John Kane, Jr. Rebecca Kane and Laura Kane and 10 great grandchildren, 5 great grandsons and 5 great granddaughters. He loved his eleven dogs and cats. Nine have preceded, Geordy and Kodiak survive him.



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A chapel service with Military Honors will be held at 2:00 PM on Friday, July 16, 2021 at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 26669 Patriots Way, Millsboro, DE 19966.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Psalm 23: 4

Arrangements provided by Watson Funeral Home, Millsboro, DE.

Letters of condolence may be emailed via

www.watsonfh.com



Tribute Wall

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Ronald Brown Jr. lit a candle in honor of John.

Prayers and sympathy for John and his family. I had the pleasure to work with John in the Baltimore City Fire Department. My father also worked with John. He was the nicest person. I also meet his lovely wife many years ago. John was a great Fire Fighter that you could always count on at Engine 53. He loved coming to work. I also remember him being a great painter. He was always so kind to me and I am glad that I knew him. Ronald H. Brown Jr. and Family

July 17 at 8:00 PM



Anonymous lit a candle in honor of John.

April 25 at 8:00 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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