



John Edward Barnhill

January 28, 1939 - April 8, 2014

John Edward Barnhill was born on January 28, 1939 in Valley, Nebraska to Frederick & Hazel (Oldham) Barnhill. He was preceded in death by both his parents.

John is survived by his brothers and sisters: Frederick (Clarice) of Elkhorn, NE, Betty (Charles) Carlson of Oklahoma City, OK, Rodney (Maxine) Barnhill of Fremont, NE, and Cherie Barnhill of Fremont, NE, a special niece, Jane & Keith Lawson & family, plus many other nieces, nephews, and friends.

John grew up in Valley and attended Valley Schools, graduating in 1956. He was involved in all sports while in High School. As the quarterback on the football team, John was named a co-captain for his senior season, and was named to the All-Conference team of the Ak-Sar-Ben Conference. On the basketball court, John set a season high for points his senior season. In 1957, he began volunteering for both basketball and football games at Valley High school. He started working the chains, and moved up to running the clock. John also was a wrestling coach and he was a member of the Valley School Board for 24 years. John was a quiet person.

John served in the United States Army from 1961 until his Honorable Discharge in August 1967. He worked for Western Electric from 1965 until his retirement in 1999. He was baptized and a member of United Faith

Community Church in Valley.

John loved all sports and spent a great deal of time at Valley High School helping the Coaches with practices, etc. He loved the kids and never missed a school function. He was also a big fan of Big Red Football.

John died on April 8, 2014 at Golden Living Center-Valhaven in Valley, Nebraska at the age of 75 years, 2 months, and 11 days.

John E. Barnhill, age 75, of Valley, NE, died 4/8/14. Survived by brothers and sisters: Frederick (Clarice) of Elkhorn, NE, Betty (Charles) Carlson of Oklahoma City, OK, Rodney (Maxine) Barnhill of Fremont, NE, and Cherie Barnhill of Fremont, NE, and special niece, Jane & husband Keith Lawson & family, plus many other nieces, nephews, and friends.

Funeral service 10:30 AM Saturday at the funeral home in Elkhorn. Interment Prospect Hill Cemetery, Elkhorn with military honors by Valley American Legion Post #58. Visitation Noon to 8 PM Friday at the funeral home with family receiving friends from 5-8 PM. Memorials to the DC West football and wrestling programs or Pathways to Compassion Hospice, Omaha.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Edward Barnhill*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *He was a big part of Valley and he a touch on so many that went through Valley High or D.C.West.I sure hope he new what he meant to everyone for many many years.His Mom shared her birthday with me all my life,now he's home with her.Good Good People!*

Linda and Roger Fallon - April 12, 2014 at 10:06 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss, I know that Uncle was much more than and Uncle to all of you. You are all in my prayers*

Cindi Hansen - April 11, 2014 at 07:20 PM



“ *John will be dearly missed. John was such a wonderful friend when I was growing up. When I was in school John helped me so much with tennis, football, basketball, baseball and bowling. He was just a such a natural. He was always so friendly and would do anything for you. When I was a high school senior he even loaned me his nice Chevy so I could go to prom. He helped so many younger kids in school to be better athletes. He would take us down to Lincoln and get tickets in the Knot Hole sections. He helped my boys when they were growing up in football and wrestling. He did so very much for the youths of Valley that I could go on with things like this for ever. We will not be able to attend the services for John, but we want to give the family our condolences*

Dick & Pat Rowe - April 11, 2014 at 11:18 AM

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“ *The thoughts and prayers of John's co-workers at Western Electric and Lucent Technologies are with his family at this time.*

Omaha Works Retiree Group - April 10, 2014 at 03:55 PM

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“ *I have such wonderful memories of a smiling "Uncle" always supporting Jane, her sisters, and the entire family. He was such a strong, guiding presence in your lives, and the lives of all who he touched. Bless you all as you mourn his loss. But celebrate the new life he leads and the reunion you will have with him someday.*

Jennifer (Phillip) Shatel - April 09, 2014 at 11:55 AM