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**J**ohn H. Rice, 84, of Frazeytsburg, Ohio, formerly of Zanesville, Ohio died Saturday evening, March 29, 2014 at the home of his daughter, Debbie Miller in Frazeytsburg.

Born June 20, 1929 in Newark, Ohio he was the son of the late Herman B. and Violet M. (Ashcraft) Rice and was a 1948 graduate of Hanover-Toboso High School. Mr. Rice served as a member of the Army National Guard and he retired in 1986 after 30 years of service as a heavy equipment mechanic with Shelly & Sands Company. He was a member of Mt. Pleasant Christian Church and the Operating Engineers Union.

Surviving is one son, and daughter in-law, Ron and Karen Rice of Zanesville; two daughters and sons in-law, Debbie and Bob Miller of Frazeytsburg and Becky and Alvin Schockling of Zanesville; six grandchildren, Andy (Chrissy) Rice of Zanesville, Jessica Rice of Hilliard, Ohio, John (Jennifer) Miller of Elmore, Ohio, Adam (Beth) Miller of Hampton, Virginia, Nicole (Dave Coon) Schockling of Frazeytsburg and Ryan (Kara) Schockling of Zanesville; three great grandchildren, Brady Rice, Tyler Rice and Evelyn Miller.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his loving wife, Wilma L. (McKee) Rice, whom he married March 24, 1951 and who died February 23, 1999.

In keeping with John's wishes, there will be no calling hours and private family funeral services will be conducted with the Rev. Robert Mesnard officiating. Burial will be in Frazeytsburg Cemetery.

John's family would like to give a very special thanks to his caregivers, LeAnne Prouty, Kayla Blair and Debbie Robinson.

Memorial contributions may be made to Genesis Hospice, 713 Forest Avenue, Zanesville, Ohio 43701 or to Mt. Pleasant Christian Church, care of: Mrs. Ralph Nethers, 8491 Church Road,



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## Tribute Wall

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TJ

**Tim & Jody Cox** posted:

Bob, Deb & family, you have our deepest sympathy. You're in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless.

April 2 at 5:39 AM

BS

**Bill Shaw** posted:

As a child, I remember your father as a happy, and very outgoing man. I always thought he was one of those people who always thought "The Glass is Half Full" rather than half empty. I remember the racing banners in the garage, and the talk of how to make a car go fast. I remembered how excited he and Wilma were when they found through the Ashcraft family, that they were related to us on my mom's side of the family.

April 1 at 5:35 PM

DS

**Dianna Johnston-Sotomayor** posted:

Thoughts and prayers to all of your families.

April 1 at 8:41 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Debbie, Becky and Ron, Please accept our heartfelt sympathy for the loss of your father. Who can ever forget Johnny's smile? God Bless you all during this difficult time. Ken, Keith, Kirk & Kathy (the Chaney kids)

April 1 at 6:54 AM

DH

**Dave & Yvonne Hood, Mike & Les Bebout, Bob & Ida Lewis, Don & Robin Hood** posted:

Bob, Debbie and family, You will be in our hearts and prayers. We send you love and pray for God to wrap His loving arms around you all as you say goodbye. May the many wonderful memories with your dad continue to bless you until that day when you are all back together again.

April 1 at 5:41 AM



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SG

**Steve Galloway** posted:

Ron, Debbie, Becky, & the Rice Family, So sorry to hear about your Father. He was a great guy and always made you laugh. I will always remember the great times we had has kids growing up together. My thoughts and prayers are with you. God Bless...Steve Galloway

April 1 at 4:36 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Such happy memories of John and Wilma, living across the road from my grandparents Orville, and Alice Bunting. My thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this difficult time. Sincerely, Lisa Bunting Turner

March 31 at 5:17 PM

MD

**Mike Dunkle** posted:

I worked with John for many years at Shelly & Sands and he was a great mechanic and and even greater man. We had a lot of good times together and I will miss him and that smile. Prayers go out to the Family of John Rice and may you R.I.P. my friend

March 31 at 3:23 PM

MW

**Mike Wright** posted:

Debbie, I am so sorry. I bet he was just as nice as you are. Hugs from the Wright's. I salute his Service as well.

March 31 at 11:41 AM

FW

**Fred And Diane Wolford** posted:

Debbie, So sorry to hear of the loss of your father. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers

March 31 at 9:28 AM



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**Valli Kirkbride** posted:

Becky and family, My sincere and deepest sympathy in the loss of your father. What a wonderful man with a great sense of humor. May the memories you shared remain forever in your hearts and may God provide Peace and Comfort for your family during this difficult time.

March 31 at 9:13 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Ronnie, Debbie and Becky, My sincere sympathy on the passing of your dad. Thinking of you. Denice (Dady) Ford

March 31 at 8:10 AM



**Skeet Hatfield** posted:

Gone but not forgotten

March 31 at 7:14 AM



**Tom Tyson** posted:

So sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. We will have you in our prayers Isabel and Tom

March 31 at 6:35 AM



**Cindy Rice** posted:

to the Rice Family, so sorry to hear of John's passing. he was a wonderful funny man. our family enjoyed many good times with him and Wilma. Cindy, Katie, Jonathan Rice and family. (Shelba Rice and family)

March 31 at 6:32 AM



**Jim And Fran Boetcher** posted:

Anyone who knew John has a heart filled with happy memories of him. Our Seneca Sams' campouts will never be the same without John Rice there with us. He was loved and will be missed by all.

March 31 at 6:17 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

The Rice family has our most sincere sympathy. Wilbur & Nancy Hale; Harlingen, Texas

March 31 at 5:35 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Debbie, Becky, Ron, and Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Rita Tom-Harper

March 31 at 5:10 AM



**Tom Miller** posted:

We were sorry to hear of John's death. He was always fun to be around and loved life. May you always enjoy your wonderful memories of him. Love, Tom and Sally

March 31 at 3:43 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

To Ron And Family, Sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Bob and Betty Batteiger

March 31 at 3:08 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Debbie, Becky, and Ronnie Our prayers and thoughts are with you. Rita Tom-Harper

March 31 at 2:52 AM



**Doug. Judy Elekes** posted:

We were so sorry to hear of the loss of the love of your life. Remembering your great love story today and always.

March 31 at 1:51 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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