



John A. Kelly

May 28, 1929 - May 9, 2012

John Arthur Kelly, 82, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away suddenly at his home on Wednesday, May 9, 2012. John was born to Mabel and James Kelly on May 28, 1929 in Kansas City, Missouri. While in the United States Air Force for 20 years, TSgt. John A. Kelly was a corrections supervisor for the 507th Air Police Squadron. He served his last 13 years in the USAF at Kincheloe AFB. During that time, he was a member of the color guard for the dedication of the Mackinac Bridge, the dedication of the U.S. Post Office in SSM, and he was present at the dedication of Kincheloe AFB. After retirement from the USAF, John and his family settled in SSM where he began a 22 year career as a Deputy for the Chippewa County Sheriff Department. He served under 5 sheriffs during his tenure. John is survived by two daughters, Patricia (Henry) Lowes of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, and Debbie (Bill) Rose of Pinckney, MI; five grandchildren, Angela and Michael Lowes of Sault Ste. Marie, Allison Rose of Traverse City, and Kelly and Rebecca Rose of Pinckney; three great-grandchildren, Elaina, Jordan, and Jada; a brother-in-law and sisters in-law Tom and Laureen Jarrett and Jackie Jarrett and many nieces and nephews. John was preceded in death by his wife, Geraldine E. Kelly, on December 21, 1999; he was also preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law, Art Jarrett. Visitation will be held 11:00am until 1:30pm Saturday May 12, 2012 at Clark Bailey Newhouse Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be 1:30pm Saturday May 12th at Clark Bailey Newhouse Funeral Home with Pastor Roy Case officiating. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Hospice of the

EUP Building Campaign in memory John's wife, Geraldine.

Tribute Wall



“ *John A. Kelly*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *John A. Kelly*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *John A. Kelly*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Debbie- My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of sadness. Although I did not know your dad, I know he was a wonderful man from the stories you have shared and because he raised a kind and loving daughter like you. He will be missed by his family and friends, but I know he is enjoying his breakfast in a diner with an amazing menu surrounded by mom and all those whom he loved. Love and Peace to you. Beth*

Beth Mergel - May 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are so sorry to hear about the loss of your father. Uncle John was an amazing man and lived a full and happy life. He set examples for the rest of us to follow and he was the kind of man people wanted to emulate. We wish to extend our heartfelt condolences and let you know you are all in our thoughts and prayers. The Sweet Family*

Larry & Maria Sweet and Family - May 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM