



John Cheray

May 1, 1932 - May 5, 2022

John Lawrence Cheray was born May 1, 1932, to Alphonse and Mary Rilinger Cheray in Seneca, KS. He passed on May 5, 2022, at his home.

John graduated from St. Mary's High School, St. Benedict, KS, in 1950. He served in the United States Army from 1953-1955. He married Mary Lou Tanking on December 29, 1958, at St. James Catholic Church in Wetmore, KS. John was employed in the construction business until 1968. He began working for Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company until he retired in 1994. John was a founding member of Mother Teresa of Calcutta Church.

John was an avid fisherman, going to Minnesota each summer to fish in their lakes. He also loved to do gardening, raising many fruits and veggies. His homemade wine was an enjoyment to him, giving his friends and family a glass of wine when they stopped by.

John is survived by his wife, Mary Lou Tanking Cheray; children, David (Kathae), Stephen (Lois), Sharon Urban (Charles), and Teresa Spaulding (Rick); grandchildren, Cassidy Cheray, Ashlyn Yarnell, Jennifer Thomsen, Eric Cheray, Tanner Spaulding, and Mackenzie Spaulding; and 7 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Joe Cheray, and sisters, Teresa Marie, Juliana McBride and Mary Ann Osterhaus.

Services will be on Tuesday, May 10th, at Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church, 2014 NW 46th Street, Topeka KS 66618. Visitation will be at 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Rosary will be prayed at 10:30 a.m. and Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. with burial to follow at Mount Calvary Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church, Nemaha County Training Center, 12 S 11th Street, Seneca KS 66538, or to Phoenix Home Care & Hospice, 6803 W 64th Street, Suite 101, Overland Park KS 66202.

Condolences may be sent online at www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd
Topeka, KS 66606

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 10. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church
2014 NW 46th Street
Topeka, KS 66618

Rosary

MAY 10. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Cheray



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - May 09, 2022 at 05:07 PM



“ John Cheray

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ David and Kathae - We are so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Praying for God's peace and love to surround you. May your wonderful memories of him be forever in your hearts. Love - Stan and Rachel

Rachel Bachman - May 22, 2022 at 04:57 PM



“ We got to meet John just a couple of months ago on our trip to Kansas to see his son David and Kathae - it was an honor to meet our friend's father. We are praying for all your family. God bless you all Cheray family

Frank Alderete - May 15, 2022 at 11:11 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Cheray.*



May 09, 2022 at 04:56 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of John Cheray.*



May 09, 2022 at 01:59 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of John Cheray.*



May 09, 2022 at 09:57 AM



“ *Cheray family, I am so sorry for your loss. John will be missed by so many. We will miss him at family birthdays and gatherings. May God give you comfort in your time of need. He is with Berneta now and God will keep them safe in His arms. God Bless You All.*

Ann Soule'

Ann Soule - May 09, 2022 at 09:28 AM

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“ *Mary Lou, David, Sharon, Stephen and Teresa: I'm saddened to hear that John has left this life. May you find comfort in your memories and knowing that he lives forever in our heavenly home.*

cindy epperson - May 08, 2022 at 05:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Cheray.*



May 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM

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“ *Mary Lou and family, I'm so sorry for your loss of John. John was a very nice person. GOD Bless.*
Ava Fiene

Ava Fiene - May 08, 2022 at 03:38 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Cheray.*



May 06, 2022 at 09:53 PM

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“ *Your Family at Hall Commercial Printing purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Cheray.*



Your Family at Hall Commercial Printing - May 06, 2022 at 01:20 PM