



John O'Neal Evans

May 9, 1947 - March 30, 2023

John O'Neal Evans was born on May 9, 1947 to Seville and Mary Ellen (Glover) Evans in Blytheville, Arkansas. John passed away March 30, 2023, at Cox South Hospital in Springfield, Missouri at the age of 75.

John grew up in Valley Park, Missouri. In 1965, he joined the Army and served two tours of duty. While in the Army he worked with the Corp of Engineers and rose to the rank of Sergeant.

On November 27, 1971, he was united in marriage to Shirley Elliott and to the union they had one daughter.

John worked in a Quick Crete Company, and later when he moved to the Fair Grove area drove a truck and started a siding company.

John was preceded in death by his parents, and his wife Shirley. He is survived by his daughter: Shannon Hook of Morrisville, Missouri, two stepsons: Scott Moreland of St. Louis, Missouri, and Terry Moreland of Buffalo, Missouri, one brother: Tony Evans of Moore, Oklahoma, one sister: Brenda Swink of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Five Grandchildren: Kaitlyn Viets (Chance Kelley), Samantha Gaal, Preston Griffith, Adrianna Griffith, and Brianna Griffith, and three great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be 10:00 A.M, Wednesday in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Springfield, Missouri with burial to follow. Services are under the direction of the Cantlon-Otterness and Viets Funeral Home of Buffalo, Missouri

Visitation will be from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, 2023 in the Cantlon-

Otterness & Viets Funeral Home in Buffalo, Missouri

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veterans Cemetery

Springfield, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

APR 5. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Missouri Veterans Cemetery

Springfield, MO

Tribute Wall



“ *John O'Neal Evans*

October 09, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ *John O'Neal Evans*

October 09, 2023 at 04:09 AM



“ *John O'Neal Evans*

October 05, 2023 at 11:14 PM



“ *John O'Neal Evans*

October 05, 2023 at 05:41 PM



“ *O'Neal was one of my best buddies growing up in Valley Park, MO. since I was ten, he was twelve. He was a great fisherman and a great hunter. We went squirrel hunting with his Nephew Garry Copper in Springfield, MO. Well, so we got up early and O'Neal Gary and I took off to the woods. Man, we were getting all kind of squirrels. What we didn't know we went into a Springfield city park on the back side. We came back to the house skin the squirrels, that evening we went back and got caught with the police. The police told us we were going to jail. The police took us back to Gary house and O'Neal dad Buck got us out of the jam. Gary knew it was a park all lone. O'Neal I will miss you very much, when you lose someone like a brother memory come back flying at you like bees..*

Steve Thayer - April 03, 2023 at 08:59 PM

BR



brianna - April 03, 2023 at 09:33 PM

TW

Had alot of fun shooting pool and having many drinks together at the Frisco bar, slot of good memories to hold close to my heart my friend, you will be dearly missed May you R.I.P Oneal.

Terry Wideman - April 03, 2023 at 11:26 PM

PA

O'Neal was for sure one of the good guys

Paul - April 05, 2023 at 02:07 AM

ST

“ *Steve and Faye Thayer purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John O'Neal Evans.*



Steve and Faye Thayer - April 03, 2023 at 04:06 PM

SH

“ With a broken heart and sadness in my soul I miss you a little more every day. I love you, but you know that. I find comfort and peace in my heart knowing I will see you again when my time on Earth is over. Some do not understand my reasoning but I will remember you as you once were and only a daughter can. Strong and full of life. Gruff around the edges but a heart of gold. A man of few words but a a wonderful listener. And a patient man. With great joy I remember our family hunting and fishing trips. Weekends of walking river banks and plowed fields looking for arrowheads . It instilled my great love for the outdoors and nature. I remember the long days of cutting and stacking wood for winter, mending fences, and baling hay and planting gardens. It instilled a strong work ethic. You loved to grow watermelons and cantaloupe. You would grow enough to share with everyone and took enjoyment rolling them melons like a bowling ball into the pasture for the horses and cows to gobble up. We would all laugh. In my adult life I now have a fondness for gardening. A collector of little “treasures” always excited to show your latest find. You taught me to enjoy the little things in life. Thank you for being such a wonderful dad and I’m sorry for the thing left unspoken. Give mom a hug for me. Keep my seat warm in that fishing boat. Don’t forget the moon pies and Pepsi.....



Shannon - April 03, 2023 at 07:15 AM

PG



Preston Griffith - April 03, 2023 at 11:44 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John O'Neal Evans.*



April 03, 2023 at 05:24 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



brianna - April 02, 2023 at 11:33 PM



“ *Grandpa we will miss you! I love when you used to take us kids to the breakfast nook and took us on all the fishing adventures. I love when I used to hang out with you at your house watching cartoons as a kid and getting to hold your hand, while you fell asleep in your chair. I love you so much, we will all miss you dearly, and I hope you are doing great! We won't forget you. ❤️*



Adrianna - April 01, 2023 at 03:27 PM



Shannon - April 03, 2023 at 09:27 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John O'Neal Evans.*



April 01, 2023 at 10:40 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John O'Neal Evans.*



March 31, 2023 at 11:58 PM



“ *I love you so much grandpa! 🥺❤️👍👍 I hope you are catching a lot of fish up there. 🎣*



brianna - March 31, 2023 at 11:27 PM



❤️ *catching them catfish*

Preston Griffith - March 31, 2023 at 11:52 PM



Shannon - April 03, 2023 at 09:27 AM

PG

“ Love you Grandpa! Will forever cherish the time and memories with you here on earth. Rest well❤️



Preston Griffith - March 31, 2023 at 01:31 PM

SH



Shannon - April 03, 2023 at 09:28 AM

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“ 14 files added to the tribute wall



Preston Griffith - March 31, 2023 at 01:30 PM