



John R. Crisan Jr.

August 25, 1932 - October 14, 2019

John R. Crisan Jr., a longtime resident of Louisiana, MO, passed away at his home on October 14, 2019 at the age of 87. His parents were John and Dorothy (Cernea) Crisan.

He grew up on a farm near Louisiana and graduated from Louisiana High School in 1950. John joined the U.S. Marine Corp after a year at Culver Stockton College. During his two years of service he performed the duties of in electronic tech for the 2nd Marine Air Wing. In 1955 he left the Corp and finished his college education at the University of Missouri in Columbia with a degree in Forestry. Although he loved working in Oregon, he decided to return to Louisiana and joined the Pipefitter's Union to follow in his father's footsteps in the construction of commercial buildings as a pipefitter. For a time, he did work for Armco Steel Company as a sales engineer. Duck hunting and fishing were his passions. He also loved to sing and dance starring in a few productions for the Raintree Arts in Clarksville. He was a member of the Elks, Ducks Unlimited, Local 562, and the American Legions for 50 plus years. John is survived by one son, John Bradly Crisan (Lori) of St. Charles, MO, one daughter, Cindy Fredd (Ralph) of Hannibal, MO, one grandson, Alex Fredd, one great-granddaughter, Marli Fredd both of Hannibal, MO, and one sister, Linda Perrone (Joe) of Eolia, MO.

John lived life to the fullest and was loved by many friends he had made throughout his life. A Celebration of Life will be held for John at a later date. Donations can be made to the Raintree Arts Guild. You may contact Cindy

Logan artlady.cl@gmail.com for information.

Tribute Wall



“ *John R. Crisan Jr.*

November 08, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *John R. Crisan Jr.*

November 08, 2022 at 08:46 AM



“ *Johnny as I have known him was a man of an amazing smile, a great passion for life and such a story teller he liked to help people and loved the company of all people.*

Maad Alcharbaji - February 02, 2020 at 10:36 AM



“ *John or Johnny, as we like to call him, had a rare quality. He combined the exuberance of life and curiosity of a young man with the wisdom of a sage. After a very stressful tour overseas, I came back to visit my parents. Johnny knew that I needed a break so he took me out fishing for catfish. It was a great day and the stress melted off. We didn't have to talk much for there to form a bond.*

Ron Holloway - October 26, 2019 at 05:13 AM

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“ *It always struck me what a renaissance man John was. He had a vast knowledge on many subjects and had so much interesting life experience, that I really enjoyed hearing about. I also enjoyed his humor, tremendously and never tired of his stories. There was always laughter when John was around. What a fun, classy and loving guy he was and a more dependable friend there isn't. Johnnie Crissani, as I liked to lovingly call him, enriched the lives of those he touched, in so many ways. John wasn't a friend, he quickly became family and is very very much missed. I'm so grateful that he graced my life with his beautiful presence. I hope he is singing a Sinatra song and sipping on a Manhattan in Heaven. Love you so much Johnnie!*



Candace Holloway - October 23, 2019 at 04:49 PM

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What a wonderful memory .He was our very own , “ Old Blue Eyes .”Without a doubt , “The Chairman Of The Board”!

Nancy Salinas - October 23, 2019 at 05:18 PM

JA

“ Johnny was an honorary member of our family. He was the most amazing man and humanitarian. He was willing to help anyone in need and had the most fun and loving soul. When my son, Jaden, was small he spent a lot of time in John's company. One day, when he was about 4, he told us John was his teenager, to anyone that knew him this was very accurate. Such a young spirit at any age. I will never forget the sound of his belly laugh or the strength of his handshake (he could make grown men say mercy) Even stronger than his handshake was his love for those he cared for. You just knew if you needed him, he would be there. He had an amazing memory and could tell you the color of the ribbon, of the prettiest girl in his first grade class, the first day of school when he was no doubt trying to win her favor. I am happy he is free from pain, but sad to not have him here. I will miss him until we meet again. as he always said, love ya babydoll, kisses on your face. I just know he is in a white tuxedo in heaven, enjoying cocktail hour, with angels and teaching them to dance.

Love you forever, Johnny.xo

Jessica Alcharbaji - October 22, 2019 at 01:09 PM

KK

“ You will be missed by so many, JC...I met you when I was 17 years of age because of my friendship with your daughter Cindy and have considered you my second Dad ever since <3 Thank you for over 40 years of memories with me and my family, we will miss you but know you are soaring with the angels now.....

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Kathy Kapfer - October 19, 2019 at 10:28 PM

LS

“ John was family to us. Like a grandpa I never had. I'll never forget driving from California back to Missouri on my rescue mission in 2011. He was so giving and funny and smart. Always youthful in his mind and soul. I will never forget karaoke nights, donut deliveries, “Mark Twain!” and will gladly fart on your tomatoes in heaven. Love you Johnny. Thank you for being so good to me and my family. Rest in peace. 💜

leonila salinas - October 19, 2019 at 12:59 PM

NS

Thanks Nila, for the kind words and for bringing some humor , which he would have appreciated . We all have our funny experiences and inside joke with John . I am looking forward to a time when we can all share them and know he is laughing along with us.Those are the memories that will make the loss bearable.

Nancy Salinas - October 19, 2019 at 01:26 PM

KH

“ My deepest sympathy to Cindy, Brad, Linda, and family. I have only the fondest of memories of growing up with the Crisans as my second family. Cindy, I can still see your dad standing in front of your huge fireplace singing Home, Home on the Range and us rolling on the floor with laughter! He was such a great man in so many ways and I will always love him. I'm so terribly sorry for your loss.

Kelly Troutner Holtzman - October 19, 2019 at 10:19 AM



“ I only got the pleasure of knowing Mr. John for 3 months, but I got to spend alot of time with him in those 3 months. He was very good to me and my daughter as we helped care for him. He had such a kind heart and was so easy to love. He was my kind of guy because he kept a smile on his face even on the hardest days and we kept each other laughing. We shared a love for cooking and shared hunting stories. I already miss him so much but I'm thankful for every minute we got to spend together. God brings people into each other's lives at just the right moment. I thank God for the opportunity to get to know him and his family and friends.

Kami Parham - October 18, 2019 at 08:55 PM

LS

“ I am going to miss Johnnie so very much. I met him some fifteen years ago or so when I started coming out to Louisiana. I found out he was retired but he was so full of life and always involved doing something seemingly all the time. I had not considered retirement at that time, but here was this man who had been retired for some time, who lived like I wished I did. I started looking at retirement and Johnnie became my role model. His phone number in my phone is under “John the hardest working retiree”. I spoke with Johnnie often and he was a man of many interests making most enjoyable lively discussions. John was also among other things an excellent cook and I was fortunate enough to enjoy that expertise. I often joked with Johnnie that I could tell he was a Marine but could not tell him much. This was in jest because he was a good listener and open to hear opposing sides and accept gracefully when they realigned his position or point out the reasons why they did not. This world needs more men like John Crisan.

Luis Salinas - October 18, 2019 at 05:19 PM

LP

Beautifully said.

Linda Perrone - October 18, 2019 at 07:07 PM

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Cindy Logan - October 18, 2019 at 09:28 AM

LP

Wonderful picture. Thank you for sharing. Linda & Cindy.

Linda Perrone - October 18, 2019 at 12:46 PM

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Great picture of John 😊

carol love - October 18, 2019 at 12:46 PM

MC

I met John through work, the first time being at Monsanto St Peters in 1983 and then later had the opportunity to work for him at AB brewery and again with him on various jobs. John was a really remarkable fellow. I have now been a pipefitter for 43 years and in my book, John Crisan Jr was one of the most knowledgeable, versatile and truly talented professional tradesmen of his generation. He worked hard, took great pride in his craft and in being a member of Local 562, and was a wonderful mentor and role model. He possessed many of the qualities of great leadership but balanced all of it with laughter, humility, compassion and understanding for all those in his company. He loved his country and was rightfully proud of his service in the Marine Corp. His loss is a loss for us all and it was both my joy and privilege to know him. A truly great Pipefitter, friend and overall human being.

Mark J Collom

Mark J Collom - October 18, 2019 at 03:23 PM

JB

John was the hit of Encore! Loved his rendition of "New York, "New York" So handsome in that white tuxedo.

Judith Bruce - October 19, 2019 at 08:32 AM

JM

Brad, Cindy, Linda and families:

I am so very sorry for your loss. To say John was a special individual is an understatement. I am grateful for our 45 year friendship. He always made me laugh. His quick wit was amazing! So many memories—4 of us celebrated by 21st birthday with a wonderful meal at an upscale St. Louis restaurant followed by my first Blues Hockey game!! What Fun!!! Then of course, there was a trip Linda will recall when 6 of us went to the State Fair and John booked our reservations at "The At Last A Motel." Need I say more? We never let him live that down!! Luis Salinas is right, the world needs more men like John Crisan!!! John had so very many friends, but more than anything, he LOVED his family. My thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this sad time. May God Bless and Comfort you! Rest in Peace, John, My dear friend!!

Janet Luck Miller

Janet Luck Miller - October 22, 2019 at 10:13 AM