



John Richard Turpin

August 25, 1936 - June 23, 2016

John R. Turpin, age 79, of Sweetwater, passed away on Thursday, June 23, 2016, at Sweetwater Nursing Center. John operated the City Recreation Center since 1971, he was an avid hunter and fisherman, and a member of the Sweetwater Gold Star Post 5156. Preceded in death by his wife: Bertie Lee Turpin, parents: Joe Glen and Nancy Lee Maney Turpin, sister: Flora Robinson, brothers: Ross, Bill, Paul, Wayne, Frank Turpin. Survivors include his daughter: Sharla Russell, sons and daughters-in-law: Bobby and Sarah Russell, Stanley and Lisa Russell, and John and Rhonda Scharbach, brother: Elmer Turpin. He loved his many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, June 28, 2016, at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, from 7:00P.M. until 9:00P.M. A celebration of life service, and interment will be held on Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at 10:00A.M. in the West View Cemetery. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. www.kykerfuneralhomes.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **28**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JP

“ We absolutely loved John he and my dad were great friends. Nothing better than a Turp burger delivered with a smile and hello as he always did.

John n Elden (Vincent) Popejoy - July 01, 2016 at 03:41 PM

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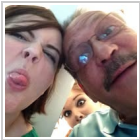
“ " You wouldn't meet a finer man than John Turpin" new him my entire life, he will be truly be missed. thoughts and prayers to the family.

Wesley Rowland - June 28, 2016 at 04:09 PM

BW

“ A great friend I will truly miss!!! Looked for him every time I came in, I'm one of his best FANS!!!! Brad Watts

Brad Watts - June 28, 2016 at 03:36 PM



“ A very good man. He will be missed.



Robert Self - June 27, 2016 at 02:18 PM

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“ *FRANKLIN & ReNee' FAIR HANEY (cousins) purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of John Richard Turpin.*



FRANKLIN & ReNee' FAIR HANEY (cousins) - June 27, 2016
at 02:08 PM

PJ

“ *Pat, Teresa, Joshua, Brandon and Joey purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Richard Turpin.*



Pat, Teresa, Joshua, Brandon and Joey - June 26, 2016 at
09:33 PM

DC

“ *John was a great and special man. He loved his family very much as well as his long time friends. He will be missed by so many. Our deepest sympathies go out to you all. Love, Dale & Cathy Cook*

Dale and Cathy Cook - June 25, 2016 at 08:44 PM

LB

“ *Libby Billings lit a candle in memory of John Richard Turpin*



libby billings - June 25, 2016 at 01:09 PM

MT

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Mike Turpin - June 24, 2016 at 02:36 PM

NT

Uncle Johnny made me a hamburger at the Rec Center a long time ago and I've talked about it in France and in Chicago and was so proud to have an uncle who had a bar. A good man. My deep sympathy goes to all of his dear ones, especially Sharla and Uncle Elmer. I thank Mike for pulling my brother Paul Bruce and sister Linda and me into that group of people who thought Johnny would make it through. Nancy Lee (Johnny's niece and Paul and Laura's daughter).

Nancy Turpin - June 26, 2016 at 11:52 AM

AT

A fond memory of Uncle John - my senior year of high school (1979) in Sweetwater, the football booster club sold raffle tickets for prize drawings at the home games to raise money for the team. One of the prizes was a game ball signed by the players. My last regular season game was against Madisonville and both teams were ranked in the top 5 in the state at the time. They came into Sweetwater that night thinking it was their turn. We beat them 43 - 0 and Uncle John had bought the winning raffle ticket for the game ball. All the players signed the ball and it was delivered to him at the pool room the next week. A couple of months later at Christmas there was a present for me from Uncle John. You guessed it, the game ball. That was 37 years ago and I still have that ball, in fact it's sitting on my desk as I write this note. I'll never forget Uncle John or his gift. My deepest sympathy to his children and his many friends.

Alan Turpin

Alan Turpin - June 26, 2016 at 10:21 PM

NT

And our sympathy goes to John's son, Jim Coleman, and his family, as well.

Nancy Turpin

Nancy Turpin - June 30, 2016 at 01:12 PM