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John E. Eubanks, 73, of Decatur, passed away Friday, April 12, 2019, at Decatur Memorial Hospital, with his wife, Rose and loving family by his side. John was born January 3, 1946, in Perthshire, Mississippi to Leroy and Florida (Sanlin) Eubanks. He married Rose Brown on April 25, 1966 in Decatur, IL and together they raised six beautiful children. John was an operator for A.E. Staley for 30 years and later worked in the Vitamin E Plant at ADM for 20 years. He coached JFL football and youth basketball for 10 years in the late 70s and early 80s. He also was the Holy Family assistant basketball coach in the 70s with head coach Bob Kirk. John enjoyed playing and coaching basketball. He was amazing at barbequeing, loved going fishing, competing in the "Swami" competitions with his children, watching the Chicago Bulls play, playing Santa Clause for his grandchildren and watching professional boxing. John was also a former member of AIW Local 837. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Rose; five children, John (Gayle) Eubanks, Jr. of Mascoutah, IL, Tracy (Kim) Eubanks of Decatur, IL, Jamie (Hope) Eubanks of Decatur, IL, Mark Eubanks of Decatur, IL and Sandy (Junior) Rogers of Mahomet, IL; fourteen grandchildren, Jacy(Robbie), Jayde, Paige (Randy), Taylor (Liz), Aaron (Mackenzie), Derrick (Amber), Jordan, Kaitlyn, Tristan, Kartlee, Cohen, Drue, Skye and Quenton; four great-grandchildren, RJ, Dominic, Carter, Harper and two on the way; and his sister, Ellen Eubanks of Decatur, IL. He was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Candy Eubanks; five brothers, Leroy Jr, George, James, Jake and Curtis and one sister, Virgie; and his grandmother, Annie Sanlin.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, April 18, 2019 at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Funeral services will be private family. Burial will be in North Fork Cemetery.

The family of John E. Eubanks is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home,



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2091 N. Oakland Ave. Decatur, IL. Please view the complete online obituary, send condolences, and share memories at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.



Tribute Wall

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MB

Morrissa Basham shared a video to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I did not get to meet you in person...yet I am intrigued..

September 14 at 11:42 PM



RH

Robert And Gail (Nelson)Hanson posted:

Our deepest condolences on the loss of Mr Eubanks. So sorry for your loss. Hoping the many sweet memories, will help you in your times of sadness.

April 19 at 4:05 PM

RJ

Randy Janes posted:

So sorry to hear of your loss Rose.

April 19 at 2:17 PM

RK

Robert Kirk posted:

Sending prayers and absolute peace for your family during this time of grief. John was a very close friend to my father as they mentored and taught basketball to the boys youth basketball team at Holy Family School . My father thought the world of John and his family when they lived in South Shores. John' s patience and leadership helped many youth get a better understanding of the game of basketball and helped them believe they can conquer any obstacles they later faced in life . May God continue to bless your and peace be with them always.

April 18 at 12:27 PM

PW

Pamela Duckworth Walker posted:

Wishing you strength and peace during this difficult time.LovePamela Duckworth Walker

April 17 at 6:27 PM

DR

Dave And Kelly Robison posted:

Tracy and Jamie, we are so sorry for your loss. He was a great Dad. Dave and Kelly robison

April 17 at 8:16 AM



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DH

Dawn Black-Hawkins posted:

Tracy...I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your father. You and your family are in my prayers!

April 17 at 3:58 AM

DD

Derek Davis posted:

I'm glad I had the opportunity to get to know John. He and Rose did a great job raising a wonderful family. When John would stick his hands in his pockets and stretch up a bit I always knew it was time to pay attention to what he was about to say to me. He was about to educate me on something I did wrong or something I needed to look at differently. John always had my respect because he always gave me his. John was legendary, and his job as a role model and father will show today and years to come through his sons and grandsons. They were taught how to be a man by one of the best men ever.

April 16 at 11:39 AM

ME

Marie Eubanks posted:

May God bless you and watch over you and give you strength.Love you Rosie and I'm praying for you.

April 16 at 11:06 AM

IB

Ida Brown posted:

To Rosie and the Eubanks family. You have my deepest condolences in the passing of Johnny. I met Johnny and Rosie yrs ago when they lived on Hilton & Marion (across from Mueller Park — my mom & sisters babysat) John John Tracy & Jamie were born. Rest Easy Johnny.

April 16 at 10:08 AM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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