



John Arch Jensen

December 21, 1953 - September 16, 2014

John A. Jensen, age 60, went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, September 16th, 2014. He was living at home in Chanute, Kansas at the time of his death. John was born on December 21st, 1953 in Emporia, Kansas to John C. and Zella Mae Hibbs Jensen.

He grew up and attended school in Chanute, graduating from Chanute High School in 1971. John continued a family tradition of serving his country by enlisting in the Kansas National Guard in 1973. He later transferred to the Kansas Air National Guard in 1988, serving as a fire fighter until his honorable discharge as a Technical Sergeant in 2000. John was a Desert Storm veteran, and he also served with the United States Air Force in Qatar, Okinawa, Alaska, and in Kansas at McConnell Air Force Base in Wichita. John spent many years working for the City of Chanute as a fire fighter and for a time served as a Reserve Police Officer. He hunted, fished and enjoyed reading as hobbies. John's favorite reading topics were hunting, fishing, and military history.

He is survived by his mother; Zella Mae Jensen of Chanute, two sisters; Terri Kirby and husband Allen, Topeka, Michelle McIntyre and husband David of Chanute; a brother; Marvin and wife Linda of Minneola; four nephews,; Jason McIntyre of Chanute, Justin McIntyre of Lawrence, Shawn Kirby and wife Jenna in Hawaii, Amanda Winter and her Husband Josh and children Ashtyn and Kaden; and Megan and Ryan Jensen of Minneola. John was preceded in

death by his father, John C. Jensen Jr.

Visitation will be held on Sunday afternoon, September 21st, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Countryside Funeral Home Gibson Chapel, 16 North Forest, in Chanute. Funeral services will be held Monday, September 22nd, at 10:00 a.m. at the Countryside Funeral Home Gibson Chapel. Interment will follow at the Memorial Park Cemetery in Chanute.

Memorials in his name may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project and may be left with the funeral home.

Countryside Funeral Home Gibson Chapel is in charge of arrangements. On-line condolences may be left at www.countrysidefh.com.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

E.. 14th St.
Chanute, KS 66720

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **21**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Gibson Chapel
16 N. Forest
Chanute, KS 66720
(620) 431-2660
<https://www.countrysidefh.com>

Service

SEP **22**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CE

“ I went to school with John .He. was such a sweet man. We became better friends later in years. . He will sorely be missed .
Carol McDonald Eckman



Carol Eckman - September 22, 2014 at 07:17 PM

KA

“ Kathy Ahlenius lit a candle in memory of John Arch Jensen



kathy ahlenius - September 21, 2014 at 05:26 PM

GF

“ Glenda F lit a candle in memory of John Arch Jensen



glenda f - September 21, 2014 at 04:58 PM

EB

“ It is with great sadness I heard of John's passing. He was one of my best friends when we were youngsters. I have so many fond memories including rag tag at Roger's house, playing combat, riding our bikes all over the place, playing baseball, roller skating, among many others. It had been years since we saw each other when we met at one of our high school reunions a few years back and it felt great to catch up again.

My condolences to the family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Eddie Baker

Ed Baker - September 20, 2014 at 11:32 AM

BW

“ Bonnie Williamson lit a candle in memory of John Arch Jensen



Bonnie Williamson - September 19, 2014 at 04:02 PM

DE

“ I will remember John in flooded timber shooting mallards.

David Elder - September 19, 2014 at 11:41 AM

RF

“ May John R.I.P. We've always considered John such a gentleman, friend, and all around interesting/fun person. Always a pleasure to do business with and to know. God took this young man much too soon. Our prayers and sympathy goes out for John and his entire family and his many friends.

*Rick and Sharon Frommie
Webb, IA*

Rick & Sharon Frommie - September 19, 2014 at 10:49 AM

DS

“ I was deeply saddened when I received a call from Steve Fulps saying John has passed away. I was the full time technician for the Chanute National Guard unit from 1967 thru 1978. John was a model soldier. Together with John Slocum they organized a very professional color guard which presided in many state wide military functions. John and John were the first individuals to greet me when I returned home in 1983 for the death of my father. His father, John Jr., was the commander of the Chanute unit and gave me my oath of enlistment in 1963. I was in attendance when John Jr. administered the enlistment oath to John Arch at the Chanute Armory. I'm very sorry that I cannot attend the funeral on Monday due to my recent heart attack. My deepest sympathy to the Jensen family.

*Darrell Summers, Sergeant Major (Ret), Kansas & Arizona Army
National Guard. Mesa, Arizona.*

Darrell Summers - September 19, 2014 at 10:24 AM

JW

“ *Jamie Wolfe lit a candle in memory of John Arch Jensen*



Jamie Wolfe - September 19, 2014 at 10:24 AM

SN

“ *Sending prayers and comfort to John's family from The Graduating Class of 1971. John was always a friendly and polite person then and to his last days. Served the community of Chanute very well. Class of 71 Committee - Shelley Naughton*

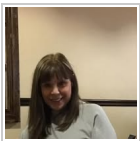
Shelley Naughton - September 19, 2014 at 09:55 AM

AT

“ *Annette Thomas lit a candle in memory of John Arch Jensen*



Annette Thomas - September 19, 2014 at 09:39 AM



“ *Terri Phillips lit a candle in memory of John Arch Jensen*



Terri Phillips - September 19, 2014 at 06:07 AM

KJ

“ John and I served together in the 891st EN BN. I also worked with John at the Chanute Fire Department. I have always considered John and friend and it was an honor to know and work with him. He will be missed. Kevin Jones

Kevin Jones - September 18, 2014 at 11:16 PM

RC

“ John has been a good friend to the Cook family for years! He will be missed! RIP John! Prayers to the family!

Richard, Alberta and Logan Cook - September 18, 2014 at 09:01 PM

DB

“ I will miss John a great deal. Always had a big wave for me whenever I drove by on the way to work in Chanute. He will be remembered for his kindness. Thinking of you all at this sad time.

Diane Dobson Barton - September 18, 2014 at 08:52 PM

MM

“ We'll miss John, loved visiting with him and will miss his friendly wave as I would drive by Chard's Fina! On occasion, he would come by to talk about a bird he had seen or other wildlife. Deepest sympathy and prayers for the family!

Mary Haynes McNett - September 18, 2014 at 07:37 PM

PB

“ I was very saddened to hear of John's passing, I have know him for years. I will certainly miss his big wave everytime I passed by Chard's gas station. So sorry to see you go.



Pat Barnhart - September 18, 2014 at 03:46 PM