



John Raymond Smart

April 24, 1928 - August 24, 2021

John Raymond Smart, 93 years of age, of Seaman, Ohio, passed away on Tuesday, August 24, 2021, at the Hospice of Hope Ohio Valley Inpatient Center, in Seaman, Ohio.

John was born in Decatur, Ohio, on April 24, 1928, the son of the late John C and Inez (Vanzant) Smart. After serving in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict, John worked as an educator and a farmer. He was a teacher and a principal, as well as a coach at the high school in Seaman, for which he was most proud. He attended the Seaman United Methodist Church. John was a member of the Seaman Masonic Lodge, Post #43; the Model T Ford Club; and the Ohio High School Athletics Coaches Hall of Fame.

In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy (Bishop) Smart, who passed on May 18, 2015; his son Christopher; and two sisters. He is survived by two daughters, Leslie (Kenny) Lerch, of Hillsboro; and Tracey Jenkins, of Seaman. John will be missed by his four grandchildren.

Family and friends may pay their respects on Thursday, August 26, 2021, from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm, at the Lewis-Sullivan Chapel, in Seaman, Ohio.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, August 27, 2021, at 10:00 am, at the Lewis-Sullivan Chapel, with Larry Anderson officiating. Burial will follow at the Coss Cemetery, in Belfast, Ohio.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home, Lewis-Sullivan Chapel. Please visit us at www.wallacethompsonfuneral

homes.com to sign our online guestbook.

Cemetery Details

Coss Cemetery

Rarden, OH

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG **26**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lewis-Sullivan Funeral Home
18029 State Route 247
Seaman, OH 45679

Funeral Service

AUG **27**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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18029 State Route 247
Seaman, OH 45679

Interment

AUG **27**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Coss Cemetery
Coss Road
Belfast, OH 45133

Tribute Wall

KP

“ John was my Grandparents neighbors and also my school principal for many years U worked for John and Chris on farm in Hay and Tobacco Great people

Kevin Palmer - September 25, 2022 at 11:59 PM

RD

“ Mr. Smart was my biology teacher a long time ago. He inspired my life in so many ways.
May he Rest In Peace. God bless him and all the family.

Ronald Damico - October 22, 2021 at 08:36 PM

PK

“ I went on line in search of this obituary, as I had heard of Mr. Smart's passing. John Smart was a lot of things to me. First, he was my Sunday School teacher at the Seaman United Methodist Church. Then when I entered high school, he was my Science teacher. Then, he was my high school principal for a brief period of time before we moved. As a fellow educator, he was also a mentor and a friend. I have many fond memories of both he and Nancy. My deepest sympathy to the family.
Pat Kimble

Pat Kimble - September 02, 2021 at 08:57 PM

PR

“ Dear Smart Families,
Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers at this time. I got to know John when he taught school with my dad and then as he was superintendent of schools and attending sporting events, where he supported the children and grandchildren. He was a great conversationalist and we enjoyed talking on a variety of topics. He will be missed.
Sincerely,

Phil and Vicki Rhonemus - August 31, 2021 at 09:43 AM

AH

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss, Leslie & Tracey. Your dad was the school superintendent during my high school years & he always had such a pleasant disposition & a smile on his face every time I saw him. He was a great man that left an imprint on all who knew him, especially the students of Ohio Valley Schools. RIP John Smart.

Angela Hall - August 29, 2021 at 09:53 AM

RL

“ Tracey and Leslie, my heart goes out to both of you. There are no words anyone may say that makes the loss of a parent better. Your father was a wonderful, good man. Find some peace in knowing John was highly respected by many people.

Robin P. Lucas - August 26, 2021 at 03:20 PM

KB

“ Prayers to the family.

Ketta & Shawn Burns

Ketta Burns - August 26, 2021 at 09:46 AM

SB

“ I will always remember Mr. Smart as such a dignified teacher. I loved his biology class. Blessings to the family. Treasure his memory.!

Shirley Behm - August 26, 2021 at 08:05 AM

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“ He was one of my teachers in High School a long time ago and he also married Nancy a distant relative of mine. Prayers to the family.
Connie Allison White

connie white -bolte - August 25, 2021 at 08:54 PM