



John Muraida

June 20, 1914 - August 1, 2008

JOHN T. MURaida age 94 of Merrillville formerly of Gary who was born June 20 1914 in Taylor Springs IL passed away Friday August 1 2008. He is survived by daughter Sharon Muraida of Valparaiso two sons: Gerald (Beth) Muraida of CA. and John L. (Chris) Muraida of TX five grandchildren: Lauren Adam and Joshua of CA John David and Alexa of TX one brother: Joe (Irene) Muraida of AZ sister Irene (Dick) Evans of DeMotte brothers-in-law: Chester (Dagney) Pesko of IL Ed (Tess) Bajgrowicz of Gary sisters-in-law Bernice Balicki of Crown Point Bella Hojnacki of Gary Godson Jerome (Sonja) Hojnacki of L.O.F.S. and many nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by wife Genevieve Jeanbrothers: Thomas Cy and Raymond Muraida parents Thomas and Anna (nee Vavrek) Muraida. Mr. Muraida was a member of St. Hedwig Catholic Church Gary and the churchs St. Cecelia Choir. John was the former owner of Muraida Grocery Store on 18th & Delaware. He graduated from Horace Mann Class of 1933 worked for 7-Up Bottling and was retired from Perfect Plus Hosiery. He was a member and past President of Silver Bell Club PNA Lodge 2365 President of Council 127 President of Dom Polski a member of PRCU sang in the Chopin Chorus was a member of the N.W. Indiana Retirees Club a Gold Card member of Gary Sportsmen Club and was Dist. 15 Man of the Year. John was a member of K of C Msgr. Joseph S. Ryder Council 4047 and a 4th Degree member of Abraham Lincoln Assembly. John served his country during World War II in the Army while stationed in England was a member and past commander of American Legion Post #207

and was a Life Member of VFW 1563. Friends may call at Pruzin Brothers Funeral Service 6360 Broadway Merrillville on Tuesday from 2-8 P.M. There will be a prayer service at 3:00 P.M. Silver Bell service at 3:30 P.M. a joint American Legion/V.F.W. service at 4:00 P.M. K of C Rosary at 7:00 P.M. and K of C Honor Guard from 6-8 P.M. Funeral services will be held Wednesday August 6 2008 at 9:15 A.M. from the Pruzin Brothers Chapel and 10:00 A.M. from St. Hedwig Catholic Church (1737 Connecticut St. Gary) with Rev. Jozef Zuziak officiating. At rest Calumet Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Canine Companions for Independence P.O. Box 4568 Oceanside CA 92052 or to Meals on Wheels 8446 Virginia St. Merrillville IN 46410. Please click the following link to view Johns Tribute video. <http://videos.lifetributes.com/26112>

Tribute Wall

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“ Good bye Uncle Johnny: When I heard about your passing I took a long trip down memory lane back to those days in the hood. How much time I spent in your store the candy and other sweets that I purchased. It was so nice seeing you in church those last few visits to Merrillville. You were such a dapper gentleman and carried yourself so well. My prayers are with you and your family as we all mourn your loss. God Bless Irene (Szpak)Ernst

Irene Ernst - August 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Dear Sharon Jerry and John Im very sorry for for your loss your Dad was a special person. Remember all of the good times it helps to ease the sorrow of losing him. Marti and the Barich Famlies

Martina Rukavina - August 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ From the first time I met John when my brother married his niece he impressed me as a friendly and fun guy. I got to know him a lot better in the late 60s when I spent my summer vacations from high school working in Indiana. At the many family gatherings over those summers that I was lucky enough to attend John Jean Sharon and Johnie were always there. Uncle John (of course he wasn't my uncle but he treated me as if I was kin) always made a point to talk to everyone and ask how they were doing. He always had a story a question or some advice and as a teen I found him one adult who was easy to talk and relate to. In the years since then most times when I traveled back to Indiana we usually got together and had a game or to of Pinochle with him. He made the game interesting by adding a story or some family history as we played. Some times the cards didn't come his way and that's probably the only time I saw a hint of anger come out of him. Big John I'm going to miss you hope you get a lot of double runs at that big table up in heaven.

Stanley Hansen - August 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ The last time I saw Uncle John was at our Muraida/Ralich Reunion in 2004 at my Aunt Marys house in DeMotte Indiana. He looked so much like my Dad....Cy his brother who died in 2001. It was wonderful talking with Uncle John and listening to his stories. My heart goes out to his family...I know how difficult it is when you lose someone you love. My prayers will be with you all. Love your guts.
dana

Dana Trepanier (Muraida) - August 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Sharon My deepest sympathy to your and your family for the loss of your father. Chris Elibasich Pruitt

Chris Pruitt - August 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Our deepest sympathies to you and your families in your time of sorrow. May God comfort you all and continue to walk with you in this very difficult time.

ray and julie dzombak - August 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM