



Kania J John

July 16, 2009

John J. Kania April 20, 1924-July 16, 2009 John Joseph Kania, 85, of West Palm Beach, Florida and formerly of Custar, Ohio died Thursday afternoon, July 16, 2009 in West Palm Beach, Florida. He was born April 20, 1924 in Toledo, Ohio to the late Walter and Stella (Ratajczak) Kania. In February of 1945 he married Rosemary Sturtz and she preceded him in death in 1969. On December 11, 1970 he married Wilma (Cox) Saunders at St. Louis Catholic Church, Custar and she survives. John served in the Marine Corps during World War II in the Mariana Islands on Saipan and Tinian and the Marshal Islands on Roi-Namur. He was wounded twice and received two purple hearts. He worked as a brick mason and farmer. He was a member of St. John Fisher Catholic Church, West Palm Beach, Florida; St. Louis Catholic Church, Custar; Knights of Columbus, 3rd & 4th Degree; life member of VFW; Elks and DAV. He was a member of the Norcross-Meyers American Legion Post #305, Custar for over 62 years. John always enjoyed golfing and was a past member of the Bowling Green Country Club. John is survived by a daughter, Rosanne (Thomas) Tussing; four sons, David (Patricia) Kania; Dennis (Lois) Kania; Steven (Deborah) Kania and Thomas (Sheri) Kania; three stepsons, Paul (Sandra) Saunders; Ronald (Carmen) Saunders; Dan R. (Barbara) Saunders; 8 grandchildren; 8 step-grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren; and two sisters, Dorothy Morris and Lou Ann Forche. He was also preceded in death by four brothers and two sisters. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday at St. Louis Catholic Church,

Custar. Graveside services with military honors will follow in the St. Louis Catholic Cemetery, Custar. Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. on Wednesday at the Rodenberger Funeral Home, Deshler, Ohio where a scripture service will be held at 7:30 p.m. The family suggests memorials be given to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences can be made at www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Wilma and Family, Our prayers are with you at this difficult time. Sincerely, Tom and Sandie##imported-begin##Tom And Sandie Middleton##imported-end##

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“ Dear Kania family, May you find comfort in this quote: Our death is not an end if we can live on in our children and the younger Generation. For they are us, our bodies are only wilted leaves on the tree of life. -Albert Einstein##imported-begin##Alan & Becky (adler) Rahe##imported-end##

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“ Grandpa Kania, we will miss you so much. Aaron looks up to you and hopes to get your pick up running again soon! Continue to watch over us and we pray that you are without pain and with those that have gone before you. We love and miss you so much! xoxo##imported-begin##Tussing Family##imported-end##

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“ Wilma, David and Family: Please accept my sympathy at this very difficult time. John was a man.....one that I considered my friend and even though I had not kept in touch since moving from BG, I remember him well and admire how he conducted his life. We all have wonderful memories of him and will miss him. I am thinking of you at this time of grief.....Sincerely, Dick Gordley##imported-begin##Richard Gordley##imported-end##

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“ In your loss and sorrow, may the comfort of Christ's resurrection give you assurance of reunion with loved ones and grant you his peace. We are remembering you in our prayers. - Members and friends of Christ Ev. Lutheran Church##imported-begin##Rev. Timothy Rothfuss##imported-end##

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“ To the Kania Family, Our Thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Charlotte and Rick Howard Bowling Green, Ohio VFW POST 1148 and Auxiliary 1148 (both are past commander and past president)##imported-begin##Charlotte Howard##imported-end##

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