



John Rolland Sherman Sr.

November 2, 1932 - November 21, 2015

John Rolland Sherman, Sr., 83, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family at the Douglas County Hospital in Alexandria, MN on November 21, 2015 following a brief illness.

He leaves his wife of 60 years, Cleone (Sandstrom) Sherman; his daughter Mary Jo Carlson (Bruce) of Bellevue, WA; his son Jim Sherman of St. Cloud, MN; his six grandchildren: Andy Sherman of Minneapolis, MN; Sunny Sherman of Seattle, WA; Abby Sherman of San Francisco, CA; Ayn Carlson of Redmond, WA; Cole Carlson of Bellevue, WA; and Brian Sherman of St. Paul, MN. He was preceded in death by his parents Rolland and Emma (Madsen) Sherman of Marshall, MN; his sister Judy Trujillo of Tucson, AZ; and his son John Rolland Sherman, Jr. of Kimball, SD.

In his early years, John worked after school and summers to help in his father's business, the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of Marshall, MN. After graduating from Marshall HS in 1950, he attended the University of MN, Duluth, graduating in 1954 with a Bachelor's Degree in Business. He met Cleone while both were students at UMD, and they were married in her hometown of Grand Rapids, MN in 1955. John was in the Air Force ROTC program during his college years, and after their wedding they resided in Alamogordo, NM where John served at the White Sands Proving Ground. They later moved to Albuquerque, NM where John served at the Kirtland AFB.

After John completed his service, they moved to Marshall where John resumed working in the family Coca-Cola business, eventually taking it over after his father's death in 1965.

John was a member of Demolay in high school and later was very active in all of the Masonic orders. Throughout his life, John was civic-minded and generously gave of himself and his resources to pay it forward. John was an avid golfer, hunter, and fisherman. Family and friends were most important to him, above all else.

A special thank you to all of John's loving caregivers who gave so generously of themselves and enriched his life, and to the wonderful end-of-life care given by the medical and nursing staff of Douglas Co. Hospital.

Visitation will be from 4:00 to 6:00pm on Monday, November 30th at Anderson Funeral Home in Alexandria. John's funeral service will be at 11:00am Tuesday, December 1st at Emmanuel Episcopal Church (602 12th Ave East) in Alexandria. Memorials are preferred to the Shriner's Children's Hospital of MN or donor's choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **30**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory
659 Voyager Drive NW
Alexandria, MN 56308
(320) 763-5900
mail@andersonfuneral.net
<https://www.andersonfuneral.net/>

Visitation

DEC **1**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Emmanuel Episcopal Church
602 12th Ave. East
Alexandria, MN 56308

Memorial Service

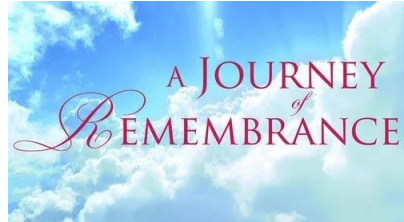
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Tribute Wall



“ Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of John Rolland Sherman Sr.



Anderson Funeral Home - November 27, 2015 at 07:00 PM

CL

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Cleone - November 30, 2015 at 02:08 PM

FC

“ From the Faber Family and everyone at Viking Coca-Cola purchased the Reflections of Glory Wreath for the family of John Rolland Sherman Sr..



From the Faber Family and everyone at Viking Coca-Cola -
November 30, 2015 at 01:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Rolland Sherman Sr..*



November 30, 2015 at 08:56 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the whole family. Remembering good times at summer picnics at the Sherman house in Marshall. From the games, food & togetherness ! Former husband Steve Pearcy enjoyed his time tremendously with Coca-Cola & the Sherman family, as well as I. Prayers to all. ox's*

Renee Pearcy Verstraete - November 30, 2015 at 06:55 AM



“ *7 files added to the album Family and Friends - Special Moments*



MaryJo - November 28, 2015 at 06:28 PM



“ 50 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Anderson Funeral Home - November 27, 2015 at 06:55 PM

MA

“ *MaryJo lit a candle in memory of John Rolland Sherman Sr.*



MaryJo - November 27, 2015 at 11:03 AM

ES

“ *Cleone and family. our sympathies to you and your family on John's passing. We have wonderful memories of spending lots of time together as families, and great memories of my parent's friendships with you and John. Elaine Schuler Sandquist*

elaine sandquist - November 27, 2015 at 10:54 AM

RL

“ Sorry to read about John's passing in the Marshall paper today. Always enjoyed my interactions and conversations with John over the years. Many involved the Marshall Golf Club. he and I served and worked on projects together on the Board. He was a good man who accomplished a lot and I know he will be missed. May he rest in peace.

Ron Labat - November 25, 2015 at 10:54 AM

JH

“ I was a bottle sorter at the coke plant back in the 50*s and also helped his mother at the house. O how I see his dad in this picture. They lived 2 houses from us.
You have my deepest sympathy! Jeanette Vercruysse Halbur

Jeanette Halbur - November 25, 2015 at 07:43 AM

JF

“ Please accept our deepest sympathy. May all your good memories out weigh your sadness during this difficult time
Isaiah 25:8

Jackson Family - November 24, 2015 at 09:23 PM