



## John L. Hill, Jr.

March 26, 2014

John L. Hill, Jr., 91, a resident of Cape Girardeau, passed away Wednesday, March 26, 2014 at the Chaffee Nursing Center. He was born January 19, 1923 in Cape Girardeau, MO to John, Sr. and Della (Robinson) Hill. John and Virginia Ann Jungers were married September 7, 1942. She preceded him in death. He was a graduate of Cape Central High School. John and Virginia owned and operated John Hill, Jr. Electric in Cape Girardeau for 40 plus years and also co-owned East Cape Mobile Home Park in McClure, IL until the mid 80's. Dad worked hard, but also played hard. He enjoyed making other's laugh at his expense. He loved dancing at the Eagles Lodge, where he was a member, and V.F.W. in Cape with his flashing suite and shoes. He would go for daily walks on the LaCroix walking trail and had been known all over town as "the man with the flashing lights." John was a proud member of the Independent Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, IBEW for more than 70 years. He attended LaCroix United Methodist Church. He was fun loving, full of life and lived life to the fullest. He will be greatly missed! John is survived by a daughter, Gretchen (Charles) Proffer of Apex, NC; son, John "Trea" (Tammy) Hill, III of Thebes, IL; daughter-in-law, Lisa Stone-Hill of Frisco, TX; brother-in-law, Jim (Terri) Jungers; five grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren; many dear friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Virginia; son, Mark Allen Hill; sister, Alma Lee Slinkard; brother-in-law, Jay W. Slinkard. Instead of a viewing, Pop wanted a celebration of Life and it will be at River Ridge Winery in Commerce, MO on April 20th from 1-4 p.m. A special thank you

goes to all the fine people at the Chaffee Nursing Center for taking such great care of him as well as Pat Schwent with Saxy Jazz for her heartfelt performance. Memorial contributions may be sent in John's memory to the Chaffee Nursing Center, P.O. Box 68, Chaffee, MO 63740. Ford and Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Trea and Tammy, I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Susie Pickett O'Connell** - April 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *SO SORRY TOO ABOUT HE WILL BE MISSED MY PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY.*

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**Betty Robinson Canfield Hester** - February 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Blessings and comfort to John's family. I want to grow up to be just like him and hope to be around as long! His joy in living was evident where ever he went, especially so as a frequent participant and volunteer for the Cape Girardeau Senior Center on Clark St., Cape Girardeau, MO. He had many friends there who will miss him along with the home-bound friends he made through delivering meals to them. While we know John's flashing lights will be left behind, God knows he's there in his presence. Your shoes will be hard to fill at the Sr. Center John, and you will be missed.*

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**Marlene Cloude** - February 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I worked for Buss Parr for several years and would meet John at the supply houses. He was always laughing and happy, I can't remember seeing him with frown. He and Jay were often around, I remember them both fondly. I know anyone who met him will have the same fond memories.*

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**Roy Gunter** - February 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ My condolences and love to the family during this sad time. John Jr. will be sadly missed. He was such a special person. Those who knew him will never forget his funny costumes and the manner in which he made you laugh until you cried. He brought joy to those around him. I was such a fan and looked forward to seeing him during my visits to Cape. I loved him will never forget him.

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**Carol Lee Robinson** - February 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Dear Gretchen and Trea, so sorry to hear about your Dad. It has been a long time since I saw him last and even longer seeing you both. My parents were Donner and Etta Brown from McClure. Our parents partied a "little" at the old Purple Crackle along time ago. They also were members of the airport's "Pilot Club". My brothers - Dale, recently deceased and Sam also knew your parents , especially your Dad. There was no one like him and he always had a smile on his face and made other people smile too! Also I was surprised to read about Mark's passing, so sorry. May God be with you!

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**Jim Brown** - February 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Never in my life have I read an obituary and smiled while reading it. John Jr. will always be synonymous with smiles and laughter to me. In my many visits to Cape Girardeau as a child, by fondest memories involved John Jr. with his crazy antics. He was one of a kind. With sincere love and condolences, Tracey Robinson Bommer

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**Tracey Robinson Bommer** - February 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM