



John T. French

March 29, 1936 - October 23, 2024

John T. French (March 29th 1936- October 23rd 2024)

John T. French of Jupiter, Florida and Huntington, New York passed away peacefully on October 23rd at the age of 88.

John was born in Glen Cove, New York in 1936 to his parents, Irish immigrants, Kathleen and Robert French. He enjoyed an active childhood, where he developed friendships he held through his entire life. John attended Glen Cove High School where he met the love of his life, Madeline. They built a beautiful life together.

Along with a love for the sunshine, John's love of golf brought them to Jupiter where they have maintained a residence for many decades. John was an avid golfer, and a talented one at that. There are many stories of his adventures on the golf course, where he enjoyed exciting games, and great times with even better company.

Along with golf, John loved spending time with friends and family. His standing lunch reservations with friends were among his most cherished memories. His grandchildren remember his generosity, spending each of his birthdays wishing not for gifts for himself, but instead doling out a present to each one of them. His generosity of spirit and love for those close to him shone through in

everything he did.

John is survived by his four loving children and their spouses. He is also survived by eight adoring grandchildren, and four beautiful great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and in-laws, his sisters (Phyllis and Sheila), brother Robert and his grandson, Bradley.

John's family thank each and every one of his friends and colleagues for their lifelong support and connection. He will be missed by many, and his legacy will carry on in the memories of those who were closest to him.

Services will be held at 10:00 am Saturday November 2, 2024 at
St. Jude Catholic Church
204 N US Highway 1
Tequesta, FL 33469

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in John's memory to:
Hope House
PO Box 358
Port Jefferson, NY 11777

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

NOV 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Jude Catholic Church
204 N U.S. 1
Tequesta, FL

Tribute Wall

ME

“ *Marianne Smith Erwin lit a candle in memory of John T. French*



Marianne Smith Erwin - January 23, 2025 at 02:10 PM

ME

*Just offering my condolences to family of John French. John's friend, Bill Erwin, passed away himself on November 14, 2024. Could someone reach out with email or something so I can send personal condolences to French family. Marianne Smith Erwin
msmith720@aol.com*

Marianne Smith Erwin - January 23, 2025 at 02:15 PM

ME

“ *Marianne Smith Erwin lit a candle in memory of John T. French*



Marianne Smith Erwin - January 23, 2025 at 12:18 PM

ME

*Trying to connect with family of John French. One of his good friends, Bill Erwin, has passed away as of November 16, 2024 and Bill, my husband, always spoke of his dear friendship with John. Could someone reach out to me with a phone number or address so I may offer condolences to his family? Marianne Smith Erwin
msmith720@aol.com.*

Marianne Smith Erwin - January 23, 2025 at 12:21 PM

SF

I was saddened to only recently learn of the passing of John. I knew him for over 50 years. He was a golfer of extraordinary skills having competed in and winning some of amateur golf's premium events. I will always cherish the good times we had on the golf course playing some of the country's acclaimed venues.

I had the good fortune to be able to introduce him to a dear friend of mine Peter Karches, which resulted in their becoming life long friends. I will have to sustain myself with John's passing on the wonderful memories playing golf with him and Peter at Meadow Brook, Jupiter Hills, Creek, Nassau, National and lots of other courses to numerous to mention.

I offer my heartfelt condolences to John's wonderful wife Madeline and family.

Sincerely,

Stanley Feminella

S. Feminell - March 01, 2025 at 01:43 PM

DR

“*To Mrs. French and the entire French family I offer my sincere condolences on the passing of “ Mr. French”. I caddied for him at Meadow Brook on LI and we had many a good laugh in those ten years. He so enjoyed playing with the Barker brothers and the late Peter Karches.*

I will never forget the first time I had his bag, I called him off a club on the eighth hole at MBH and he gave me that look. He took my advice. I was right but more importantly I dared to question his judgment. From that point on he often requested me as his caddie.

Loved those times and loved this man. Regret I had to be in Ireland and missed the memorial but I know he forgives me only because it was Ireland that detained me, Will be at Mass tomorrow in Cork and the repose of his soul will be my intention. Dennis Ryan

dennis ryan - November 09, 2024 at 03:07 PM

KK

“ *The Kukler Family, Robby, Kim, Sam and Will send our deepest condolences to the French Family. We were not fortunate to have met John, but the beautiful and loving stories of him shared with us by Valerie and his granddaughter Elizabeth were a testament to his kindness and love of family - a special and enduring legacy. Our thoughts are with you at this time, may his memory be a blessing to all who loved him.*

Kimberly Kukler - November 05, 2024 at 12:30 PM