



Fred "John" Lewis

January 9, 1949 - April 28, 2020

Fred "John" Lewis, of Cordova TN, passed at his home on April 28, 2020. He was born in Canton IL on January 9, 1949 to Orville and Ila (Heeren) Lewis. His parents, one sister and one brother preceded him. He is survived by one sister, three brothers and multiple generations of nieces and nephews.

As with all, John had many phases in his life. His lifelong passion was ornamental horticulture and he received numerous floral design awards. It was said that he could arrange weeds and people would flock to buy. He moved on to become lead buyer for a floral importer which afforded him the opportunity to travel all over the world. Through his stories people were given the ability to see other places and other cultures. Later he became an integral player in fundraising for the numerous sponsored charities of the Kroger Corp. He took pride in his ability to get people to donate thousands of toilet paper rolls for homeless shelters, canned goods for food banks and anything else he could come up with. He received the Memphis Volunteer Of The Year award for his tireless outstanding efforts for many charities.

Cremation will be accorded and interment will be at a later date in Illinois. The family request that anyone who desires to please continue his legacy by contributing to The Mid-South Food Bank or The Union Mission.

Tribute Wall

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“ Heard of the loss of you, kind sir, today, but felt the loss of you before that. What a pleasure you made shopping for countless customers. What a gentleman, and one year especially...when my family needed it, Santa! You are thought of and will remain a cherished friend. God bless your family! Thank you for everything, Sir.

Nicole Thomas - October 26, 2021 at 08:46 PM

CM

“ John was straight forward kind of man. He told you like it was. Loved him dearly and will miss him very much. RIP John. Everyone of your charities will miss you especially the union mission. Until later my friend 🥺

cathy hebdricks mullinax - May 06, 2020 at 03:01 PM

KW

“ I had the pleasure of working with John at Kroger. He was such an asset to the team. Always kind and willing a hard worker and a talented, gifted florist. He will be missed.

Kim Wood - May 06, 2020 at 10:28 AM

SA

“ John was the sweetest, funniest, loveable person in the world. He had a heart of gold. He tried to help the needy, and he did. I loved John and will miss him. An outstanding person.

Sharon Ash - May 05, 2020 at 12:46 PM

LR

“ Glen, so sorry to hear about John. He was definitely one of a kind & had so many wonderful stories to tell. I really enjoyed talking to him. He will be truly missed by a lot of people. You are on my prayers.



Luanne Ray - April 30, 2020 at 08:26 PM

RS

Glen Sr, Glen Jr, & Nikki, I am so very sort for this loss. John was a very special man & I am honored to have known him. Y'all are in my prayers. Robyn Mustain (Kriz) Strong

robyn strong - May 03, 2020 at 02:44 AM