



John Degnen

June 24, 1920 - March 11, 2019

John Raymond Degnen, 98, of Philmont, formerly of Taghkanic passed away Monday March 11, 2019. Born June 24, 1920 in Lynbrook, NY, he was the son of Edward and Elizabeth (Owens) Degnen. John was a police officer in Lynbrook, New York before moving to West Coxsackie in 1946. He resided with his family in West Coxsackie until 1962 when he moved to Copake Falls. In 1966 John went to work for the Taconic State Parks Commission and soon after became a NYS Parks Patrolman. He retired from the Taconic State Parks Commission in 1985. John also proudly served as a Volunteer Fireman. He resided on Rte 82 in West Taghkanic from 1984 until 2013 when he became a resident of Pine Haven Nursing Home. John is survived by his children, John (Donna) Degnen Jr., J. Dennis (Lucy) Degnen, Robert (Isabel V. Torres de la Rosa) Degnen, Gregory (Jodi) Degnen, Maureen (Wayne) Hiserodt, and Ann (Cliff) Albright. Also surviving are 13 grandchildren, 23 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandchild. John was predeceased by his wife of 72 years Irene Reaves (aka Judy Degnen), and his brother Edward (Irma) Degnen.

Visitation hours at the Bates & Anderson-Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home are Thursday March 14, from 6-8pm. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday at 10:30am from Holy Trinity St. Mary's Parish in Hudson. Interment will be in Cedar Park Cemetery. Over the 6 years John was at Pine Haven he made friends with many of the staff and residents. John's family would like to thank everyone at Pine Haven for the excellent care and compassion shown during these last several years.

Previous Events

Visiting Hours

MAR **14.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler
110 Green Street
Hudson, NY 12534
(518) 828-3371
<http://batesandersonredmondkeeler.com>

Mass

MAR **15.** 10:30 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity St. Mary's Parish Hudson

Tribute Wall

MA

“ I am so sorry to hear that John has passed. I was lucky to have had the opportunity to visit him this past fall at the nursing home. He worked as a park patrol officer with my brother, Lyle Ackert. I also worked for State Parks, and John always made me smile. He had big dimples when he smiled so my nickname for him was Dimples. When I visited with him, he remembered that and gave me that big smile. He was such a nice man and a pleasure to work with and know. My condolences to his entire family. I will always fondly remember Dimples.

Mallory Alexander

Mallory Alexander - March 26, 2019 at 04:19 PM

KC

“ Sorry to hear of Jack's death. Throughout my life I remember him as almost a second father. A very hard working man dedicated to his family and community. He was a coach in our little league team in the 50's. Took us to school on cold days in West Coxsackie. Many good memories of a good man.

Kenny Cameron, Port St. Lucie, Florida

Kenneth Cameron - March 15, 2019 at 07:08 AM

PR

“ Our thoughts go out to the Degnen Family. John loved working as a Park Police Officer for many years in the Taconic Region. Cheryl & Phil Race



Phillip Race - March 14, 2019 at 07:34 AM

WH

“ I worked with John in the Park Police back in the 1970's. He was a good cop. He also was extremely proud of his family that he said grew larger with his “foster” kids.

William Hogencamp - March 13, 2019 at 12:24 PM

MF

“ My heartfelt sympathies goes out to you all. He was a very happy and adventurous man. He lived an exciting life and will greatly be missed. You're all in my thoughts and prayers  

Missy Fitzpatrick - March 13, 2019 at 07:55 AM

JG

“ So sorry for your loss...prayers and hugs to all! The Gregory Family...Dan enjoyed taking care of your father...and told us what a nice man he was...

Janet gregory - March 12, 2019 at 11:58 PM