



John E. Foerst

November 4, 1928 - February 23, 2015

John E. Foerst, 86, of Mentor for the past thirty-one years and formerly of East Cleveland, passed away on Monday February 23, 2015 at Lake West Hospital System.

He was born November 4, 1928 in Pittsburgh, PA to John & Marian Foerst.

John served in the US Army Corp of Engineers during Korean Conflict. He served on the board of George Hayward Post 9295 in Mentor, Chaplin of the Korean War Veteran Association Chapter 112, Cleveland Umpires Association, Lake County Ohio Right to Life, Retired official of OHSAA, football, baseball and basketball.

He was a lamp design & process engineer for GE Lamp Division in Nela Park for thirty-nine years, where he was awarded six design patents in lamp design.

He was a mathematics tutor at the Hannah's Home in Mentor and Painesville City School.

Survivors include his wife of thirty-one years Patricia (Medlin) Gorka Foerst; children, David Gorka (Sandy), Jill McHenry, Bob Gorka, Jack Gorka (Kathleen), Jack Foerst, Jim Foerst (Karen), Jan Wilson (Thomas);

grandchildren, Matthew & Michael McHenry, Landon, Logan, Leighton, Andrew & Joshua Foerst, Lance Hansen, Scott & Paige Wilson, Brian, Chris; former wife Patricia E. Foerst.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be from 4-8 PM Wednesday at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, Ohio 44060.

Mass will be 9:30 AM Thursday at St. Mary of the Assumption, 8560 Mentor Ave., Mentor.

Interment will be in Mentor Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the Lake County Humane Society, 7564-E Tyler Boulevard, Mentor, Ohio 44060

Offer condolences at www.brunners.com

Cemetery Details

Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 974-5733

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
8466 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3401
ajs@brunners.com
<https://www.brunners.com/>

Funeral Mass

FEB **26**. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary Of The Assumption Church
8560 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3404
<https://stmarysmentor.org/>

Tribute Wall

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“ I met John Forerst through my job at Eye Lighting Int., and I had never met a man who went out of his way to make the whole world smile. He had so many wonderful things to tell me about his wife, I felt as if I knew her. I know she must of been one of his true treasures in life. He would always ask if he told me a joke and sometimes it was the same one, but I always loved to hear him tell his jokes no matter how many times he would tell them because he was there to make you smile and his smile was so very true that you could not help but smile when he was around. I was so very saddened when Karen told me he had passed I just could not believe I will never get the chance to hear another joke or the way he laughed. The only thing I have is the great memories of his personality and his jokes, and I will never forget his laugh. John I will meet you again one day and I will know you by your Laugh May your wife and family find peace and comfort and know you are now in the arms of our beloved Lord.....God be with you all.....Your friend forever Rose Cummins

Rose Cummins - February 25, 2015 at 07:53 PM

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“ Everyone at TNG purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John E. Foerst.



Everyone at TNG - February 25, 2015 at 09:02 AM

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“ God be with you till we meet again. You will be deeply missed at our once a month breakfasts.

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Andrew Tajgiszer - February 25, 2015 at 08:46 AM

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Karen Foerst - February 24, 2015 at 06:37 PM