



Mr. John O. Ford Sr.

September 21, 1946 - June 10, 2018

"Built Ford Tough"

John O. Ford, Sr. of Thorntown, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and proud business owner passed on peacefully to meet his Lord and Savior at the gates of heaven on June 10, 2018 at the age of 71. After his first job as a farm hand, John had a long career as a well-known and hard-working local business owner. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather who loved watching old western movies and listening to gospel music. He was seen to his eternal rest surrounded by loved ones, including his adoring wife of 54 years, Carol Ann Ford.

John was born September 21, 1946 to Fay and Laurel Ford in Thorntown, Indiana. At a young age he discovered he was good at working with his hands and developed a life-long love for cars. As a teenager, John met the beautiful blonde love of his life, Carol Ann, whom he married on October 8, 1963. For the next seven years he worked as a farm hand until he opened the Sunoco Service Station that he owned and operated from 1970-1990. In 1990 John began an independent towing service, Ford's Towing, which he proudly managed until 2016. He also co-owned and co-operated Thorntown Salvage Yard from 2003-2016. John will be remembered by the community and the police officers, with whom he frequently worked with, as an extremely hard-working man who loved to crack jokes and give people a hard time. But most

importantly, John was a family man who adored spending time with his wife, two children, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. He was a very giving and generous man who believed in supporting those in need.

John will be dearly and immensely missed by the love of his life, Carol "Blondie," and his two children; son, John "Johnny" O. Ford, Jr. and daughter, Lisa (Cary) Clanton.

His six grandchildren; Catherine (Andrew) Repay, David (Courtney) Ford, Cari Ann (Joshua) Walker, Jessica (Jay) Indermaur, Erica Ford, and Casey Clanton will forever cherish Papaw's stories and songs.

His great-grandchildren; Spencer Ford, Raelyn Timmons, and Jack Ford will miss sitting on Pappy's lap.

John leaves behind siblings whom he loved dearly; Glenda Vanderkolk, Pat (Marvin) Wilson, Willa Wallace, Rev. Royce (Grace) Ford, and Reba (Les) Evans. John was preceded in death by both of his parents along with siblings; Bill Ford, Jean Moore, Dessie Fisher, Francis Ford, and Bud Ford.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at the GAP Community Church, 202 S. West St., Thorntown, IN. A funeral service will follow at 7:00 p.m. with John's brother, Reverend Royce Ford, and Pastor Doc Gardner, officiating. Private graveside services will be held at Maple Lawn Cemetery at a later date.

Arrangements are being handled by Myers and Hunt Mortuary of Thorntown and Boone County Crematory. Memorial contributions and flowers can be sent to the GAP Community Church. The family wishes to express their sincere gratitude to Kindred Hospice for their care of John.

Cemetery Details

Maple Lawn Cemetery

Thorntown, IN 46071

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

GAP Community Church
202 South West Street
Thorntown, IN 46071

Service

JUN 13. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. John O. Ford Sr.*

November 27, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mr. John O. Ford Sr..*



June 12, 2018 at 11:32 PM



“ *Betty Susong lit a candle in memory of Mr. John O. Ford Sr.*



Betty Susong - June 12, 2018 at 07:54 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. John O. Ford Sr..*



June 12, 2018 at 10:20 AM

MN

“ Carol and Family, thinking of you during this trying times. John in now at peace and no more pain. Marcia Nance

Marcia J Nance - June 12, 2018 at 07:08 AM

CG

“ Christine Jo Gideon lit a candle in memory of Mr. John O. Ford Sr.



Christine Jo Gideon - June 11, 2018 at 10:50 PM

SB

“ Sally Byrd-Warmoth lit a candle in memory of Mr. John O. Ford Sr.



Sally Byrd-Warmoth - June 11, 2018 at 02:32 PM