



John Keegan

February 19, 1938 - February 28, 2012

John exemplified a model Christian and influenced the lives of many who aspired to be more like him. He was an adoring husband of 51 years, a loving father of 4, and a cherished grandfather of 9. John was an elder of the Church of Christ in Newark and Pollock Pines for a total of 20 years. He was a hard working employee of 37 years at United Airlines and served his country in the Air Force for 5 years. He had a passion for photography and enjoyed using his pictures in hand-made cards for friends and family. He died at age 74 at Washington Hospital in Fremont.

John is survived by his beloved wife Jean Keegan, daughter Tammie Jeannine Glorioso, daughter Jackie Carlene Bond, son John Joseph Keegan and son David Michael Keegan as well as two siblings Marie Samuell and Betty Allen.

A memorial service will be held for John on Saturday, March 17, 11am at the Church of Christ, 5880 Thornton Ave., Newark, CA 94560. Inurnment will be at Irvington Memorial Cemetery in Fremont.

Tribute Wall

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“ *"A Parable of Immortality"*
(by Henry Van Dyke)

I am standing upon the seashore.

A ship at my side spreads her white sails to the morning breeze and starts for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength, and I stand and watch until at last she hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the sea and sky come down to mingle with each other.

Then someone at my side says; "There she goes!"

"Gone where?"

"Gone from my sight, that's all."

She is just as large in mast and hull and spar as she was when she left my side and just as able to bear her load of living freight to the place of destination. Her diminished size is in me, not in her. And just at the moment when someone at my side says, "There she goes!" there are other eyes watching her coming...and other voices ready to take up the glad shout..."Here she comes!"

Mary Shambaugh - March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ We will miss you Brother John, but only for a time. For we walk the same miles as you have these many years and you have arrived there ahead of those of us left behind. Our comfort lies in knowing that we shall see you again and that you are in the midst of others we have loved and lost for a time. Please give them our love and that ever precious grin you wore on your expression always. There are but a few who can carry around so much happiness that it spills over onto all who come into contact with you. You encouraged children as well. A rare quality since many older folks won't take the time to bend a knee to a youngster with so many questions about life. I'm thankful you did and that you showed them one can be happy living the Christian life no matter what age or what ailment befalls. I cannot remember a time when you didn't have a ready smile for anyone and everyone and that is what I shall miss most of all. Until we meet again...I shall try to smile more myself. ~ In Christian Love, Mary Shambaugh

Mary Shambaugh - March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ John was a beautiful man and great father and grandfather. He will be greatly missed but has made a impact on so many lives, I know he made a difference in mine.

Tom and Carol Zacche - March 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ John,

Thank you for touching our lives and thank you for all the kindness you gave to Aiden, our grandson. You gave the gift of integrity to your son and our son in law Dave which molded him in the man he is today. For these gifts, you will be forever remembered.

Bill and Joanne Van Bezey - March 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM