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FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL ARRANGEMENTS BY 3PM THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2019 TO OUR LEWES LOCATION.

John "Ted" Theodore Fort Sr., age 89 of Milton, DE, passed away on Thursday, October 3, 2019, at his home surrounded by his family. He was born on January 25, 1930, in Washington, DC, son of the late John Henry and Nettie Viola Fort.

Mr. Fort was a proud US Navy Veteran, having served in the Korean War then retiring as Chief Petty Officer after 20 dedicated years. His patriotism and service to country continued for another 20 years through his civilian career in the Navy. He was a member of the Improved Order of Red Men, Indian River Tribe 37 and a past Great Sachem. Mr. Fort had many interests, including antique cars, anything to do with the US Navy, and the Red Men. Above all, he was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend who will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Fort was preceded in death by his son, James Bryan Fort; his brothers: Harry Fort and James Fort; and his sisters: Patricia Roach and Viola Smith. He is survived by his beloved wife, Shirley Ann Fort of Milton, DE; his sons: John T. Fort, Jr. (Irma) of Oklahoma City, OK, and Kenny Fort of Wells Tannery, PA; his daughters: Geri L. Cahill (Kevin) of Milton, DE and Joyce A. Fort of Fort Washington, MD; his daughter-in-law, Karen Fort of Millsboro, DE; his grandchildren: Christian, Jeremy, and Sean Cahill, and Ami Hughes; Erik, Teddy, and Tiffany Fort; his 6 great-grandchildren; his sister, Jeannie Holtery (Mike) of Lusby, MD; and his brother-in-law, Jerry Smith of Lusby, MD.

Chapel Committal Services will be held on Friday, October 11, 2019, at 10:00 AM at Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 26669 Patriots Way, Millsboro, DE.



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In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions in Mr. Fort's memory to Home of the Brave Foundation, 6632 Sharps Road, Milford, DE 19963.

Please sign the online guestbook located on the tribute page.



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GW

Gary Wray posted:

Ted was a great guy and he is going to be missed. I first met Ted at the gun shop many years ago and we shared many a wonderful moment together telling stories. He had a great smile and super sense of humor. He was also a strong supporter of our Fort Miles Museum effort and we enjoyed his visits to the Fort. I am sorry that I could not make his service but he is in my prayers and thoughts. Dr. Gary D. Wray President, Fort Miles Historical Association

October 12 at 4:37 AM

FR

Fred And Chris Rozo sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Fort family.



October 8 at 12:00 PM

CW

Carol S Wright posted:

Shirley, Bob and I are so sorry for your loss. We know you will miss Ted very much but will be reunited someday in heaven. Until that day, we pray God's comfort for you. Carol & Bob Wright

October 7 at 1:17 PM



Anonymous sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Fort family.



October 7 at 8:31 AM



Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Fort family.



October 7 at 8:05 AM



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ET

Errin Toomey lit a candle in honor of John.

Shirley and Family Uncle Ted-E-Bear was Steele's Gun Shop. He is already missed and greatly loved. We are going to miss his visits and his sense of humor. If you need anything please let us know. R.I.P Uncle Ted...you were simply the best..Love Steele's gun shop



October 7 at 7:58 AM

PA

Pat October 8 at 4:44 AM

Shirley, Please accept my Condolences in the passing of your Husband Ted. I didn't know Ted for a long time, but knew him long enough to know he was a wonderful man. Jerry thought the world of him also.

RC

Ray Centofanti October 7 at 8:09 AM

Uncle Ted will surely miss talking to you and listening to all your stories you surely will be missed it is a great loss to all of us

CE

Catherine P Elliott posted:

Shirley, so sorry to hear about Ted. Kitty and Jerry Elliott

October 7 at 6:49 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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