



## John J. Duncan

September 13, 1928 - August 14, 2019

John J. Duncan, age 90 of Highland, IL, died Wednesday, August 14, 2019, at Cedarhurst of Highland in Highland, IL.

He was born on Thursday, September 13, 1928, in Germantown, IL, the son of Joseph and Veronica (nee Whelling) Duncan.

On Wednesday, April 22, 1953, he married Florence T. Duncan nee Kues at St. Dominic's Catholic Church-Breese, IL, who survives.

He was a member of Saint Paul Catholic Church; St. Joseph Hospital volunteer, Highland, IL; Lee Iten Post 439-American Legion, Highland, IL; Madison County Farm Bureau.

Born at Germantown, IL; graduated from Aviston High School. He owned and operated an egg business. He sold the business and served with the US Army, active duty during the Korean War. After his return from the Army he owned another egg business. After marriage he and his wife lived in Breese, then Alhambra and later Marine. In 1959 he purchased a farm southeast of Highland, they lived there for nearly 59 years. They moved to Highland in early 2018. He was a farmer; sold and maintained milking equipment; operated a peach orchard and strawberry patch; bee keeper; licensed butcher shop and a salesman in many ways. He enjoyed woodworking, oil painting,

golfing, gardening, participating in the Catholic faith and volunteering at St. Joseph Hospital and St. Paul Church.

Survivors include:

Wife - Florence T. Duncan (nee Kues), Highland, IL

Daughter - Linda M. Watts, Highland, IL

Daughter - Cynthia A. (Thomas) Gutzler, Highland, IL

Daughter - Janet M. (Mike) Ezell, Highland, IL

Son - William J. (Margie) Duncan, Highland, IL

Son - Christopher J. (Diane) Duncan, Saint Jacob, IL

Daughter - Elizabeth J. (Tim) Eller, Trenton, IL

Son - Nicholas J. (Donna) Duncan, Highland, IL

Grandchildren - 23

Great Grandchildren - 30

Great Great Grandchildren - 3

Sister - Sister Rosemary Duncan, RC, Chicago, IL.

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Joseph B. Duncan

Mother - Veronica Duncan (nee Whelling)

Brother - Jerome Duncan

Sister - Ruth Wiltz

Brother - James Duncan

Brother - Hubert Duncan

Brother - Richard Duncan

Brother - Eugene Duncan.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Sunday, August 18, 2019,

at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM on Monday, August 19, 2019, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM on Monday, August 19, 2019, at Saint Paul Catholic Church in Highland, IL, with Rev. Fr. Pat. G. Jakel, presiding.

Interment will be at Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul School Educational Foundation or Heartland Hospice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **18**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - Highland  
1501 9th Street  
P.O. Box 187  
Highland, IL 62249  
(618) 654-2133  
info@spengel-boulanger.com

## Visitation

AUG **19**. 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ To the Duncan family - thank you for letting me honor your family by singing at your dad's funeral. Though I of course didn't know him well, it is apparent by what a great legacy he has left that he was a great man. Your family is well blessed.  
Deepest sympathy,  
Terri (and Tom) Hoffmann

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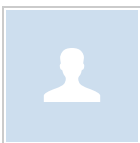
**Terri Hoffmann** - August 24, 2019 at 01:08 PM



“ My sympathy to Johns family. I know you all have wonderful memories in his life those are to be cherished and I'm sure you will repeat them at family gatherings.  
Nick, Donna and family my heart ❤️ goes out to you all. A father, father in law, grandfather to be proud of. God bless him and his family.  
Sylvia Kauhl

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**Sylvia Kauhl** - August 19, 2019 at 08:30 AM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of John J. Duncan.



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August 17, 2019 at 10:52 AM

PW

“ Pat and Chris Wiltz purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of John J. Duncan.



Pat and Chris Wiltz - August 16, 2019 at 04:01 PM

PA

“ I have many fond memories of time spent on Uncle Johnny and Aunt Florences farm. The riding on the bucket seats to get the mail. The playing in the barns. Helping feed the cattle. Helping bale and stack hay. And, of course the INFAMOUS CHICKEN CAPER.  
Pat Wiltz

pat - August 16, 2019 at 03:55 PM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of John J. Duncan.



August 16, 2019 at 07:42 AM

MW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mike Wiltz - August 15, 2019 at 10:41 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John J. Duncan.



August 15, 2019 at 08:21 PM



“ Love, Mike and Sue purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of John J. Duncan.



**Love, Mike and Sue** - August 15, 2019 at 08:01 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of John J. Duncan.



August 15, 2019 at 07:34 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of John J. Duncan.



August 15, 2019 at 11:39 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John J. Duncan.*



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August 15, 2019 at 10:51 AM



“ *Tina, Jerry & Verla lit a candle in memory of John J. Duncan*



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**Tina, Jerry & Verla** - August 15, 2019 at 10:23 AM



“ *Watts Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John J. Duncan.*



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**Watts Family** - August 15, 2019 at 08:30 AM



“ *John was great man with a great family. Although he has been out of my life for the last several years I will miss him more because he is no longer with us. Rest in peace John.*  
*C. Watts*

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**Charles Watts** - August 15, 2019 at 08:16 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John J. Duncan.*



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August 14, 2019 at 08:14 PM



“ *Uncle Johnny and mom and I were shopping in Peoria at a Goodwill store. He found a wooden rolling pin for me. (I was just married). He said it was an antique! I bought it and still use it!*

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**Nancy Catlin** - August 14, 2019 at 06:49 PM



“ *I enjoyed talking to John at therapy at St. Joseph's Hospital....he was willing to chat with anyone and everyone...had a ready smile...and when things didn't work out just how he thought they should, he would say "Whatever". He was a joy to be around and will surely be missed. My deepest sympathy to John's beloved family....he always glowed when he talked about you!*

*Jeanne Heuberger*

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**Jeanne Heuberger** - August 14, 2019 at 06:13 PM



“ *Jeanne Heuberger lit a candle in memory of John J. Duncan*



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**Jeanne Heuberger** - August 14, 2019 at 06:11 PM