



John P Telles

June 26, 1927 - April 16, 2016

John P. Telles, 88, of Royal, Arkansas, passed away April 16, 2016. He is predeceased by his daughter Rita Telles, his mother Francisquita Preciado, and his father Eselso W. Telles.

He is survived by his wife Wanda Telles; a son Derrick Telles and his wife Betty Telles, a stepson Rick Conrad and his wife Lucy Conrad, a daughter Alice Franco and her husband Joe Franco, a son Peter Telles and his wife, and a son Art Telles; grandchildren Briana Casali and her husband Ariel Casali, Dustin Conrad, Christopher Conrad (deceased) Joe Franco, Ginger Franco, James Franco, Terry Telles, Stacy Telles; two great-grandchildren, Ben Telles and Kaia Telles; and two sisters Frances Franco and Elisa Arenas.

The seventh son of eleven siblings, John was born in Bent, New Mexico. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII before settling in Oakland, CA. There he met his wife of 56 years, Wanda, and grew the company they founded together, Jonda Industries, a manufacturer for NASA. In 1969, they settled in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and purchased Town & Country Heating and Air, which he would operate until the age of 85, spending the final, and in his words, most enjoyable, decade of his professional life working alongside his son, Derrick. John proclaimed often and even proudly that he had no hobbies. His greatest source of fulfillment was found in the lifelong relationships he developed with his customers, many of whom became close friends, the joy in

raising his children and grandchildren, and, most of all, his devotion to his “honey,” Wanda, with whom he leaves a legacy of family, faith, hard work, and love.

Visitation will be 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM Thursday April 21st at Hot Springs Funeral Home.

Graveside services will be 12:00 PM Friday April 22nd at Morning Star Cemetery with Military Honors.

Tribute Wall

KT

“ He put the A/c in my house on 207 Glover Street. He knew his business like a pro.

Kathleen Ann Miller Thomason - April 23, 2016 at 08:54 PM

KT

“ Kathleen Ann Miller Thomason lit a candle in memory of John P Telles



Kathleen Ann Miller Thomason - April 23, 2016 at 08:51 PM

EG

“ Mr. Telles was so nice to us when we moved to Hot Springs several years ago and were in search of a reputable heat/air service company. We offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to his family.
Elwin & Kay Goolsby

Elwin & Kay Goolsby - April 21, 2016 at 03:03 PM

HG

“ Thinking of You
Terris and Tracy
Lance,
Billy and Amber Bone

Hot Springs Florist and Gifts - April 21, 2016 at 01:37 PM

DS

“ A memory of Mr. Telles goes back to about 1979-80. Derrick and I were doing some work around the shop of Town & Country when it was on Higdon Ferry. Mr. Telles, like every other day would call me over to his desk pretending to tell me something and half way into a sentence he would tickle me in the ribs and I bet I would jump 4 feet. Since he caught on as to how ticklish I was He would get me any chance he could find, i.e., office, shop etc. Derrick and him came out to my Mom's house last Spring and I had forgotten but not Mr. Telles, he got me again. "Thank You" Mr. Telles for some wonderful memories. All my Love to you and especially Mrs. Telles !!!!

David M Stone - April 21, 2016 at 09:37 AM

LA

“ Love, Rich, Wanda, Max & Ariel purchased the Blooming Garden Basket for the family of John P Telles.



Love, Rich, Wanda, Max & Ariel - April 20, 2016 at 05:03 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John P Telles.



April 20, 2016 at 01:54 PM

AG

“ *Derrick, I am changing all my air filters in honor of your dad today:). That was always the first question he had when I called for help. You two were a pleasure to work with. I kind of looked forward to HVAC problems so we could catch up! You and your family are in my prayers. Your father's kindness and joyful spirit made this world a better place. He will be sorely missed!*

Amy Guresky - April 20, 2016 at 08:27 AM

LH

“ *First, we love ya'll. I will remember that wonderful smile. Very positive energy!*

Larry Harper - April 19, 2016 at 09:33 PM

KW

“ *I always enjoyed visiting with this sweet man. We would cut up with each other & have a good laugh. He will be missed. See you again one day Mr. Telles.*

Kathleen Wright - April 19, 2016 at 08:48 PM

KW

“ *Of my goodness, your loss is hitting so bad, I loved your Dad and your relationship. The Love and Respect for each other.....just took my heart away. I am praying your Mom and Family will find the peace and I want to let you know that you are still responsible for me J. D. Sanders' a/c unit. LOL Derrick this my be the oldest running unit!!!! Love you, Love Karen*

Karen Walker - April 19, 2016 at 08:35 PM

SI

“ *Such a wonderful man! Heaven gained a great one!*

Sindi Roark

Sindi - April 19, 2016 at 08:26 PM

JT

“ *Dear Wanda & family, we were so saddened to hear of your loss. We were always fond of John, he was a kind & loving man. May our Jesus & friend bring you comfort & peace at this difficult time of your lives. Roger & Jan Trubey-Burleson, Tx*

Jan Trubey - April 19, 2016 at 02:50 PM

JH

to my sweet sister,WandaJoyce, and her family. I love ya,Il with all my heart. johnny will be so very missed but he has know pain now and im sure he is not alone. Our sweet rita and pandy is waiting for him. my wonderful son is showing him around heaven. he,s been there 20 yrs. derrick honey I love you so much and am so so proud of you. God has a special place for you derrick. you are so blessed to haave found your sweet betty as your wife. your mom and dad both adore her and so does the rest of your family. wandaJoyce derrick betty briana rick lucy dustin I love you all so much. tis soon will pass and our hearts will feel the love again . we will stay together for each other. im blessed to have such a wonderful and loving family. Johnny you were the best brother in law ever and I will always have our memorys in my heart. God bless you all. love, Janie lou

janie lou harper - April 20, 2016 at 01:13 PM

DP

Our Family has a special place in our hearts for Johnny and Wanda and their Beautiful Family. Many happy memories are shared with Rick and Charlotte, Chris, and Dustin, and having Friday lunch with the whole crowd when Johnny had Town and Country on Highway Ferry Rd. Johnny was always teasing and treating our kids as his grandkids too. My Mom and Dad along with Johnny and Wanda would get together and have little parties for the kids as they shared Chris and Dustin with them as grandparents. We will miss Johnny so much, and hope to see them one day along with My Sister Charlotte. Chris, Rita and My Mom and Dad! Love to you all, The Packlaine Family

Deborah Packlaine - April 22, 2016 at 10:49 AM