



## John Ralph Mann

April 21, 1937 - January 2, 2019

It is with great sadness that the family of John Ralph Mann announces his passing, on Wednesday, January 2, 2019, at the age of 81 years. He was born in Los Angeles, CA, on April 21, 1937, son of John Francis and Dolly Mae Mann. John will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Joyce Arline Mann and his children, Teri Lynn Hargrave (Ron), Tara Joy Paxton, John Taylor Mann (Rosemary), and Laurie Aline Mann Hembd (Ron). He will also be fondly remembered by his three grandchildren, Vandela Jasmine Paxton, Tanner Uriah Paxton, Taylor Michelle Mann and his great granddaughter Ivanka Jasmine Bocook. John served in the Navy during the Korean War. He later worked in sheet metal and manufacturing and he then retired from Waste Management after many years. John was very active in his community and led a full life including the Mammoth Ski Club, Cheney Gun Club, flew as a pilot, cycling, beach volleyball, a master hunter and was an avid fisherman. He volunteered at the Cheney Historical Museum and was a member of the American Legion Post 72. John dedicated over 35 years of his life to the Cheney Rodeo Association where he served in various capacities. John spent his retirement years at Badger Lake where his tool shed was always open for neighbors to borrow anything, and he was always willing to lend a helping hand with fixing things, and he loved taking the neighborhood children boating and tubing and teaching them how to fish. John's favorite color was orange – vibrant and fun-loving, just like him; and he will be remembered with a twinkle in eye, a story on his lips and a margarita in his hand. A memorial service will be at 1:00 p.m. Friday, January 11th at Cheney Funeral Chapel, 1632 West 1st St. Cheney, WA 99004, with a reception immediately following at the American Legion Post 72, 116 College St., Cheney, WA 99004.

# Comments

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“ I thoroughly enjoyed spending time with John at the Cheney Historical Museum. He was a delight to be with. He was excellent working with the college students assembling shelves and directing them as we reorganized the warehouse. He was so willing to learn new computer things to help us catalog items. I enjoyed his sense of humor. I will miss him but am so glad to have known him.

**Joan Mamanakis** - January 12, 2019 at 01:42 PM

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“ So sorry to hear that John has passed. I work for the City of Cheney and I remember him like it was yesterday. I believe he used to bring us the refuse listings after pick up. Such a sweet man. Just a big 'ol teddy bear! He will be missed.

**Leslie Bridges** - January 09, 2019 at 07:36 PM

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“ Joyce and family, thoughts and prayers with you all at this difficult time. May you embrace and cherish all the memories John has left with you. .  
Vera and family. (Don/Karen's sister- Canada).

**vera** - January 08, 2019 at 10:30 PM