



John M. Fortner

John M. Fortner, 71, of Chesapeake, OH. passed away Thursday, October 6, 2011 in Pike Community Hospital Waverly OH. Funeral services will be conducted 11:00 A.M. Monday, October 10, 2011 at Rollins Funeral Home in Kenova with Brother John Bowling, Elder Terry Bryant and Brother J.R. Ruggles officiating. Interment will follow in Dock's Creek Cemetery, Kenova. John was born March 1, 1940 in Shoals, WV. a son of the late Walker and Sarah Rhoda Perry Fortner. He was a Production Manager for Owens-Illinois and a U.S. Army veteran. John was a member of the Indian Bottom Association Old Regular Baptist. Besides his parents John was also preceded in death by one brother Harold Fortner and two sisters Imogene Byer and Gladys Fortner. He is survived by his beloved wife Eleanor "Ellie" Ruth Fortner; three daughters and sons-in-law Jodi (James) Lipscomb of Toledo, Ohio, Johnna (David) Lewis of Pelion, S.C. and Jennifer (Brad) Kirby of Pelion, S.C.; three brothers Paul, Sam and Dick Fortner; four sisters Della Mae Robertson, Francis Nelson, Mary Trytek and Joann Fortner and six grandchildren Dustin Kirby, Jonathan Kirby, Elizabeth Kirby, Joshua Lewis, Hannah Lewis and Jacob Lipscomb and two step-grandchildren, Jennifer and James, Jr. Lipscomb. Pallbearers will be the three sons-in-law David Lewis, Brad Kirby and James Lipscomb and three grandsons Dustin Kirby, Jonathan Kirby and Joshua Lewis. Friends may call from 6-8 P.M. Sunday, October 9, 2011 at Rollins Funeral Home. Online condolences may be expressed at www.rollinsfh.com.

Tribute Wall

SC

“*Ellie and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. John was a great classmate. I enjoyed seeing him and talking about Ol at our reunion. I'm thinking of you and your family.*

Sue Earl Coy - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

FC

“*We send to you our Love. We surely loved our dear brother John. May the Lord God help you in the in the name of Jesus Christ.*

Frank and Jo Copley - October 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CD

“*Dear Ms Ellie, I am so sorry to hear about Mr Fortner. He sure had a time with his injury. I know that you'll be strong and learn to lean on your faith for support. You were a pleasure to take care of, and thank you for letting me take care of him. Sincerely, Carla at Cornerstone Hospital.*

Carla Diehl-Neville - October 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BW

“*Ellie & Family:
So sorry for your loss, John was a great friend and he will be missed very much. We graduated together and also worked for the same company for many years. John traveled a lot for the company and I worked at 4 different factorys so I got to see him when he visited the plants. our prayers are with you, and may God bless and keep you.
Bill Wilson*

Bill Wilson - October 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ *m ay god bless you guys is my prayers i love you all and so sorry for your loss*

david robinson - October 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ *So sorry to hear this, everyone loved John. To his family and all his classmates and friends, I live in Fl. Bless him, Rink*

Rink (Cox) Tillett - October 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ *Johnna and family, when my father passed, I found comfort in this; God saw he was getting tired and a cure was not to be, so her put His arms around him and whispered, "Come with me." With tearful eyes we watched him suffer, and saw him fade away. Although we loved him dearly, we could not make him stay. A golden heart stopped beating, with hard working hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best. Author Unknown. In our thought and prayers, Rhonda Woods*

Rhonda Woods - October 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *Jennifer and Johnna and family: Please know that we are sending our love and prayers at this time of need. Send love to "mom"...*

Thinking of you all!!!

Kim & Tony Moody - October 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Mom,

Dad will be missed by so many. I am so thankful for God giving me, you and him as my parents. I love him and you so much. He was such a great father, husband, friend, and soldier for christ. He was a light that shined bright for the Lord. He taught me so much. I will never forget him and all the things he taught me. I love you and appreciate you so much. Please know that I am here for you and will do anything for you. Please don't hesitate to ask. We would love for you to come down with us for awhile. We don't want you staying here by yourself. Please considerate. I love you and dad more than I can ever express.

*Love your daughter,
Johnna Lewis*

Johnna (Fortner) Lewis - October 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *I love you Dad! You will be deeply missed, but I know you will be with me forever. You have given me so many memories to hold on to. Thank you for being my dad, and everything you taught and did for me. I love you so much. We will be together again someday.*

Jodi Lipscomb - October 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *Just wanted to say John will be missed especially at Little Jewell Church. John and Ellie were always so good to visit my Mom (Sister Juanita Bryant) while she was sick and our family really appreciated that. Thinking of the whole family during this sad time.*

Richard & Lisa (Bryant) Bailey - October 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *Uncle John has no more pain and at peace with our Lord and Savior. My Prayers and Sympathy are with all of you as we Celebrate his Life.*

*Love and Blessings,
Carolyn Walters,
Fort Myers, FL. 33907*

Carolyn Walters - October 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM