



## John C. Bradley

June 7, 1944 - April 30, 2017

Dodgeville - John C. Bradley, age 72, of Dodgeville, passed away Sunday, April 30, 2017 surrounded by his loving family. He was born on June 7, 1944 in Dubuque Iowa, the son of Clifford and Isabelle (Lewis) Bradley.

John graduated from Dubuque Senior High in 1962 and went on to further his education at UW-Platteville and earned his Master's Degree in Agriculture Education. He taught Vocational Ag at Milton High School for three years, but his true passion was farming.

He married Gloria McNeill on June 29, 1968 at Grace Lutheran Church in Dodgeville. They were blessed with three sons and he farmed for seven years until a tragic farm accident in 1977 left him a quadriplegic. With grit and determination, John learned to drive an adaptive van and went to work at Dodgeville Agri-Service for 36 years. He truly relished his time with his co-workers and customers at the feed mill.

John enjoyed and attended his sons' sporting events and music activities and was so proud of all their accomplishments. He enjoyed driving his van along the countryside, and loved spending time with his children, grandchildren and the rest of his family. He also enjoyed the company of his many good friends. His grandchildren became the lights of his life.

John is survived by his devoted wife, Gloria, their three devoted sons and daughters-in-law, Jeff (Jenn), Brian (Karen), and Eric (Stacey). He was loved dearly and affectionately known as Bompá to his seven grandchildren, Annabel, Austin, Tyler, Claire, Alana, Elaine and Kleine. He is further survived by his brother Robert (Sharon) and two sisters JoAnn Datisman and Jean (Bruce) Rafoth. His father-in-law Bob McNeill, sister-in-law JoAnn (Richard Orienti), brothers-in-law Terry (Laura) and Bob (Mary Kay), special nieces Leah and Jenna McNeill and special nephew Bob McNeill, as well as his other special nieces and nephews. He belonged to the best of two families, the Bradley's and the McNeill's.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother-in-law Duane Datisman and mother-in-law Helen McNeill.

John wanted to thank his special group of caregivers who meant the world to him: Rosemary, Jan, Sharon, Kim, Crystal, Patti and Danielle for their support over the years. A special thank you to Dr. Mark Bishop and Dr. Kent Kramer and the entire staff at Upland Hills Health for their amazing care over these many years.

John was a hero and inspiration to many and all who knew him had their lives enriched. He will always be with us.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 4, 2017 at GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH in Dodgeville. Rev. Mark Williamson will officiate. Burial will be held in East Side Cemetery in Dodgeville. Friends may call from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday at the GORGEN-McGINLEY & AYERS FUNERAL HOME in Dodgeville and from 10:00 a.m. until time of services on Thursday at the church.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorials be made to Upland Hills

Health, Grace Lutheran Church or an Education Scholarship in John's name.

# Tribute Wall



“ *John C. Bradley*

November 15, 2022 at 06:49 AM



“ *Gloria & family-we are so very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone. Memories of seeing John on the sidelines smiling & watching Jeff as he coached our boys basketball games.*

**John & Diane Hermanson** - April 28, 2018 at 01:25 AM



“ *During the past 40 years, John, Gloria and their family have become treasured friends. In all those years, we never heard John question/complain. He was never defined by his limitations, instead inspiring those around him to be better. The way Gloria, Jeff, Brian, Eric and their families supported John in his needs and gave unconditional love was so uplifting. We will miss John but know he is free of pain. He may be gone but John will live on in the hearts of those who loved him. He will be in ours. Love, Ken & Joyce, Sarah & Shannon, Scott*

**The Von Rueden Family** - April 28, 2018 at 01:25 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the entire Bradley families. John was, as you all know such a remarkable wonderful man and the values he left all of you are shown each day in the way you lead your lives. Dodgeville lost a very special man in John and his memories will last forever. RIP John*

**Jeff & Kris Borne** - April 28, 2018 at 01:25 AM

KC

“ I am very sorry for your loss. John always had a smile. He enjoyed the sporting events.

Karen Clough - April 28, 2018 at 01:25 AM

JF

“ So sorry for your loss Gloria and family.

Judy Fuller - April 28, 2018 at 01:25 AM

DR

“ I knew John working with him a bit back in his farming days as well as seeing him once in a while at Dodgeville Agri-Service. John's legacy will include his daily example to both young and old folks alike!

Don & Donna Von Rueden - April 28, 2018 at 01:25 AM

CH

“ Our deepest sympathy. Your family is in our prayers!Sincerely, Tim and Connie Hoppenjan

Connie Hoppenjan - April 28, 2018 at 01:25 AM

DW

“ Kathy and I extend our condolences to Gloria and her family on the passing of John. I have great respect for John. I enjoyed every conversation we had. He was the type of man we all wish we could be. He was rightly proud of his three sons. He will be missed, but not forgotten. Dodgeville has lost a treasure. Dave Westhoff.

Dave Westhoff - April 28, 2018 at 01:25 AM

WL

“ *Sincere sympathy to Gloria and family. Our thoughts and prayers have been with you.* ”

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**William and Sandy Lauper** - April 28, 2018 at 01:25 AM