



John Ward

July 23, 1934 - February 25, 2008

John Clayton "Jack" Ward, Jr. was born on July 23, 1934 to John Clayton and Mary Elda (Sewell) Ward, Sr. in Fort Worth, Texas. He passed away on February 25, 2008 in Port Angeles, Washington. He was 73 years old. He graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a Bachelor of Science in Petroleum Engineering in 1957 and furthered his education there with a Masters in Sanitary Engineering in 1958 and a PhD in Engineering Services in 1961. He specialized in Sanitary Engineering (Hazardous Waste Management). He served a graduate fellowship with the Public Health Service and a predoctoral fellowship with the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies. He was a member of The Society of Sigma Xi and a lifetime member of AEE. The Department of the Air Force recognized him with an "Award for Notable Achievement" in 1989 and he was recognized in "Who's Who in Engineering" of the American Association of Engineering Society in 1994. He was also a member of the Memorial Christian Church in Jacksboro, Texas. He was a distinguished and notable engineer but an adored husband and father as well. He married Myra Jane (Herbst) Ward on March 20, 1982 in Houston, Texas and had a son and a daughter Michelle and Clayton. He is survived by his wife Myra Ward of Sequim, Washington; his daughter Dr. Michelle Schueller and husband Albert Schueller of Federal Way, Washington; his son John Clayton Ward, III of Aurora, Colorado; his sister Mary Ann Richter of Lakewood, Colorado; two grandchildren Alicia and John Albert Schueller; and a host of extended family and friends. Services will be Saturday March 1,

2008 at the Memorial Christian Church in Jacksboro, Texas at 2:00pm with burial to follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Jacksboro, Texas. In lieu of flowers a memorial may be sent to the charity of your choice in his name. Below is a loving tribute to Mr. Ward by his daughter: John Clayton Ward Jr. July 23, 1934-February 25, 2008 Tribute by Michelle Annette (Ward) Schueller doctorward@comcast.net March 1, 2008 Dear Friends and Family, My father was my constant advisor on everything in life. I distinctly remember this relationship beginning when I was eleven years old. Initially, I confided in him about friends, my adolescent insecurities and my difficult relationship with my mother. He truly saved my sanity and even my life on more than one occasion as a result of his intervention. He taught me it was sometimes preferable to not run with the crowd. I learned to think for myself, by learning from his objectivity. He desired for me to push beyond my simple goals, to bigger ones, because he knew deep down, I could do it. I just had to be determined to do so. My father was my sole provider of love, inspiration, and financial support throughout the work on my Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Colorado. Even though as a pharmacy degree it took me 6 years instead of 5, he tolerated the deviation and saw me through it all. Including a serious episode of depression I experienced my sophomore year. Post graduation I became very involved in my non-denominational church. It took me on mission trips, like the one I went on in 1986 to the Philippines. My father's concern for me was so great, he told me to send him a post card every day, so if I disappeared, he would know where to look first. At the age of 30, I decided it was time to further my career by going to graduate school. I chose the doctorate program, for a variety of reasons, but on some level to follow in the footsteps of my father. My marriage to Albert Edward Schueller came in 1997, three years after my graduation. On my wedding day, when I was privileged to dance with my father, he told me I would feel like I didn't deserve such happiness, but that I did. My father always treated Albert as a Prince and often told him what a great father he was. I believe the births of his grandchildren Alicia Marie Schueller and John Albert Schueller, began to turn

my father's heart back to Christ. His grandchildren had the very best of everything he had to offer. His love, time, and many wonderful gifts he and Myra picked out for them on every possible occasion. His last months on this earth were very difficult. However, he enjoyed seeing my family and I, and always told us so. Because his faith in Christ was renewed and he sought out God on his own accord often, this scripture is what I would like to close with: "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons neither the present or the future, nor any powers, nor anything else in all creation will separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:38-39.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Ward*

October 09, 2023 at 04:16 AM



“ *John Ward*

January 28, 2023 at 12:10 PM

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“ Dear Myra, Clayton, Michelle, and Mary Ann,

I was so sorry to hear of Jack's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Having known my cousin, Jack, since I was a young child, I reflect on many wonderful memories of Jack, and the memorable times we shared as cousins and friends in Jacksboro, in Mary Elda's home, with my parents in Denver, and when we met in Seattle, for family occasions.

Jack was always very supportive to my parents, myself, and other family members in Colorado, Texas, and other locations, for which I am very grateful.

My mother, Margery Sewell, always looked forward to visiting with Jack, and she loved his sense of humour and his respect for the elderly.

Myra, Clayton, Michelle, and Mary Ann, were also a joy to my mother, and these family visits were very special to her.

Jack was very generous and caring to family members which was demonstrated by his work with the Sewell Building in Jacksboro, and other family business interests.

I will miss Jack very much, especially his sense of humour and the articles he faithfully and regularly sent me in the mail which reflected current affairs, politics, and health information. These informational packages were very much enjoyed.

I think of Jack with much love, admiration, and gratitude, and look forward to the privilege of honouring his life at the memorial service in Jacksboro, Texas, March 1.

*Lois Anne (Sewell) Mesner
(Cousin)*

Victoria, British Columbia
Canada

Lois Anne (Sewell) Mesner - February 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Jack was one of a kind. We wish we had known him longer. He was the funniest, most honest and most intelligent man we have ever known. We looked forward to his visits even though he usually had to work the whole time he was in Jacksboro. His mother would have been so proud of him. He worked so hard. My kids fell in love with him, he seemed to care so much for them, even though he had only known them a few years. Jack was a great guy and we will truly miss him.*

Debra Pankey - February 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Jack's death. My thoughts and prayers are with my friend, Mary Ann Richter, Jack's sister, and all of the other members of the family.*

Joyce Garner Wendt - February 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ Jack was our friend for almost 40 years. He was such a loyal and caring friend. We always enjoyed seeing him, talking with him and knowing he was in our corner, as we were in his. Terry and Jack played in the same poker group from the 60s until Jack moved away from Fort Collins. Still, he came occasionally to the Fort to play and Myra came with him. We didn't know her nearly as well but recognized what an ally she was to him, a caring wife who went with him to Sequim so he could breathe. We missed him the minute we read Clayton's e-mail and will for the time to come. I wish we could be there Saturday but we'll be thinking of you at 2:00. Maybe we'll even open the bottle of 2002 Pinot Noir Russian River Valley Reserve Special Bottling #193 he gave us. We've been saving it for a special occasion. Love to Myra, Micheele and Clayton and their families. Terry and Judy Lantry

Terry and Judy Lantry - February 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM