

John J. "Jack" Lyons

November 2, 2016

John J. "Jack" Lyons, our wonderful husband, brother, friend, uncle, brother in law, son in law, Jack Lyons finished life's journey on November 2, 2016 at Alfredo Gonzalez Texas Veterans Home. He was from San Juan, Texas. Jack was born in Manhattan, NY on August 11, 1937 to parents John J. Lyons and Elizabeth Lee Lyons, both deceased. Enjoying life in Brooklyn where he was raised, Jack received his Vietnam draft notice and entered military service August 9, 1963. He swore to leave military service as soon as he could. He surprised himself by retiring from the Army August 31, 1984, completing 21 years of service. Jack served his country proudly as an Honor Guard with the 3rd Infantry (The Old Guard) and Veterinary Food Inspector. During his military career, he was stationed at Ft. Myer, VA, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, Ft. MacArthur, CA, Bangkok, Thailand, Belgrade, Yugoslavia, Chicago, IL, and USA Natick Research Development Command, Natick, MA. He received several military and civilian awards. Jack also worked for the Daily News in NYC and as a USDA Commodity Grader in Weslaco, Texas retiring from Federal Service in 2004. Afterwards, he enjoyed retirement tremendously! Jack's varied interests included, golf, bowling, snow skiing, ice skating, swimming, reading, crossword puzzles, and cooking He was a fantastic cook and for many years prepared delicious Thanksgiving Dinners for us, his family. Jack belonged to the American Legion Post 0107, Natick, MA, The VFW Sherman, Texas, The DAV Sherman, Texas and the Army Retired Enlisted Veterinary Personnel Schertz, Texas.

Jack is survived by his beloved wife of 39 years, Marta, Lujan., Four sisters, Mary Lo Preto, (Pembroke Pines, FL.), Betty Mulane Duffy, (Breeze Point, NY), Jane Lyons, (Manhattan, NY) and Rita (Robert) Debonis (Brooklyn, NY). His Lujan family, Josefina Lujan, his mother in law (Alamo, Texas); Jose Luis (Judy), (Austin, Texas), Estela (Louis) Flores, (Austin, Texas), Graciela (Virgilio) Hernandez, (McAllen, Texas), Joel (Darla), (Elgin, Texas), and Raquel (Robert) Reyes, (Pflugerville. Texas), beloved nephew, Juan Manuel Guevara, (Austin, Texas). He will be missed by many nephews and nieces, whom he loved very much. Jack is also preceded in death by his brother, Robert Lyons, brother in laws: Joe Lo Preto, Joseph Mullane, John Duffy and nephew Joseph Mullane.

A tribute to Jack from his nephew Victor Lo Preto and wife Cindy: You have been a wonderful example to us. Your sense of humor, love of family, faith, honesty, joy for life and especially the many ways you have shown all of us your love; whether helping others through difficult times or making us feel special, you have given us a piece of you! So true! That was our Jack. We will always love you, hold you close to our hearts, and cherish your memory forever.

Jack, I want you to know how proud I am of you. Your sense of humor was shared until the end and you never lost your Irish Feistiness. Rest in peace, my lovely husband, Marta.

Visitation will be this evening from 6 PM to 8 PM with a 7 PM Prayer Service to be held at Kreidler Funeral Home, Inc. on N. 10th St. The Funeral Service will be Tuesday, November 8, 2016 at 9:30 AM at Kreidler Funeral Home. Inc. on N. 10th St. Burial will follow at 11 AM at Rio Grande Valley State Veterans Cemetery, 2520 S. Inspiration Road, Mission, Texas 78572.

Cemetery Details

Rio Grande Valley State Veterans Cemetery

2520 South Inspiration Road
Mission, TX 78572

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kreidler Funeral Home, Inc.
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Prayer Service

NOV 7. 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *John J. "Jack" Lyons*

October 08, 2023 at 09:43 PM



“ *John J. "Jack" Lyons*

November 29, 2022 at 06:40 AM



“ *FL Crane & Sons, Inc. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John J. "Jack" Lyons.*



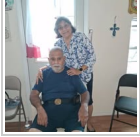
FL Crane & Sons, Inc. - November 07, 2016 at 04:45 PM



“ *Mary & Children purchased the Divine Grace 50-Bead Rosary for the family of John J. "Jack" Lyons.*



Mary & Children - November 05, 2016 at 06:29 PM



“ *Raquel Hernandez purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of John J. "Jack" Lyons.*



Raquel Hernandez - November 04, 2016 at 11:07 PM



“ *Love, Joel and Darla purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of John J. "Jack" Lyons.*



Love, Joel and Darla - November 04, 2016 at 03:56 PM

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“What can I say about John Jack Lyons? I met Jack about 30 years ago in McAllen, Texas. He had a very playful personality with a twinkle in his eyes. All the nieces and nephews love their Uncle Jack. He always had time to tease and talk to each of them. It was important to him for each of them to work hard in school to get a good education.

Jack always had a special relationship with Mom. We all know she liked him best. Even though he did not speak Spanish, he always found a way to communicate with Mom through his kindness, and his love for her it could always be seen. As Jack would say, 'I am number one'.

Jack had a very special place in his heart for Juan, he was always like a father figure to Juan. Juan always listened to Jack and knew exactly what Jack expected from him.

The whole family are truly blessed to have had Jack in our lives. He had a heart of gold and would do anything for you.

Jack you will truly be missed, you will always be here with us as we all share our memories of you. Rest in peace and know the family will watch over Marta for you.

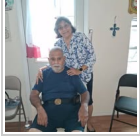
God be with you,
Love, Darla

Darla McCullough - November 04, 2016 at 03:25 PM

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Jack, in the time that I knew you I saw how much you cared about family. I will always remember how good you were to my own family; my son-in-law, my daughter, and my three grandchildren. I remember your sense of humor and your teasing. That is why everyone loved you and will miss you dearly. Hilary

Hilary Urive - November 06, 2016 at 08:08 PM



“ Jack with Marta, and "Mom", on her 90th Birthday Celebration. Jack and his newpew, Juan. Juan loved his Uncle Jack. RIP Jack, we love and miss you.

Your sister in law,
Rachel, Robert and family.



Raquel Hernandez - November 04, 2016 at 12:46 PM

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“ Jack and his special needs nephew, Juan.
Juan loved his Uncle Jack very much. RIP Jack, we love and miss you.

Your sister in law,
Rachel, Robert and Family.



Raquel Hernandez - November 04, 2016 at 12:28 PM