



John M. Kring

March 18, 1934 - October 11, 2014

Kring, Mr. John M.,
Saginaw, Michigan

Passed away on October 11, 2014, at the Cartwright Hospice Residence. Age 80 years old.

The son of the late Merle and Thelma (Headley) Kring was born on March 18, 1934, in Petoskey, MI. John was a graduate of Alma College. While attending Alma College he was a member and co-captain of the football team. He married his college sweetheart Louise Roths on December 22, 1956. She survives him. As a recipient of the National Science Foundation Scholarship, John received his Master of Science degree in Mathematics from Southern Illinois University. His career in education began in Greenville, MI teaching and coaching for the public schools. John then moved to Bay City in 1961, as the Assistant football coach at Bay City Handy. In 1962, he moved to Saginaw where he taught mathematics and coached football at Arthur Hill High School. He started the wrestling program at Arthur Hill High School as well as in Greenville. His career advanced with the Saginaw Public Schools into administration as the Assistant Principal of Arthur Eddy and Central Junior High Schools. He retired in 1991. In 1998, John was inducted into the Bay County Sports Hall of Fame. After retirement, John continued teaching skilled math at Delta College as an adjunct professor. John was a member of the Saginaw Club and most recently the Saginaw Country Club. He enjoyed

playing golf and loved sports. He was an avid duplicate bridge player.

Surviving besides his wife of 58 years are two daughters, Katharine (Michael Dugan), Rochester, MI and Kristine, Saginaw, MI. Five grandchildren; Christopher, Madeline, Peter, Lauren, and Trevor; his sister, Gloria Hull, Petoskey, MI, and cousin, David Kring, Harbor Springs, MI. He was also predeceased by a brother Wayne Kring. The family would like to express their sincere gratitude for the kindness extended by the caregivers and therapists at HealthSource, Covenant Hospice nurses, and the caregivers at Cartwright Hospice Residence. In accordance with John's wishes cremation has taken place.

The Celebration of John's Life will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, October 17, 2014, at the Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc., 1218 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw. Rev. Fr. Joseph A. Schabel will officiate. Friends are welcome to visit with the family at the Wakeman Funeral Home, on Friday, from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. John's committal service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 18, 2014, at the Greenwood Cemetery, Petoskey, MI. Chaplain David Behling will officiate. Those wishing to express their sympathies are asked to consider memorial contributions in memory of John to HealthSource Saginaw, VNA-Covenant Hospice or the Cartwright Hospice Residence. Memories and sympathies of John may be shared with the family on his memorial website at WakemanFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

111 Greenwood Cemetery Road
Petoskey, MI 49770

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 17. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc.
1218 N. Michigan Ave.
Saginaw, MI 48602
(989) 752-8531
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Memorial Service

OCT 17. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Committal Service

OCT 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *John M. Kring*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *John M. Kring*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *Sorry to hear about the passing of John. I came across this looking for another listing. I remember that he always said he would never live past 50 since no one in his family seemed to do so. Looks like he did so in a glorious way. My condolences to the entire family.*

Jack Ghannam

jack ghannam - October 28, 2014 at 02:46 PM



“ *I am sorry for the loss of John. He is a new angel to watch over his family.*

You are in my thoughts and prayers Julie in the PT Dept at HealthSouece

Jlie D - October 19, 2014 at 07:38 PM

TD

“ To the Kring family, please accept my condolences. Jack was one of my favorite teachers at Arthur Hill High School. I also have fond memories of Jack as he refereed many of my high school wrestling matches.

With sympathy,

Tim Dust

Tim Dust - October 18, 2014 at 07:08 AM

PK

“ It has been a long time since I have seen John (Jack) I saw him last when he stopped at my mom 's to visit. (which is his sister) was a very nice visit too. I was saddened to hear of his passing , but am proud to be part of this family. I feel bad that I can't be in Petoskey for his memorial. Mostly to support my mother. For she is the last surviving member of the family. This one is very hard for her I know. But I also wanted to reach out to his immediate family and tell them they are in my thoughts . Sincerely Pamela Carlson

Pamela Carlson (niece of John Kring) - October 18, 2014 at 02:14 AM

SD

“ Yes, John always had a pleasant smile on his face! I didn't know him well, but I'll never forget his smile! Sister Joanne Davey

Sister Joanne Davey - October 17, 2014 at 12:37 PM

JS

“ Please accept my sincere sympathy for the loss of John. He was a fine man, a great teacher, an all around great guy!
Jim Silk

James Silk - October 17, 2014 at 12:36 PM

JH

“ John, Though I only new you for a short time at Delta College in your Trig class. You helped me apply those skills to my work every day, when I cut stone, design an arch or install a fireplace. Thank you for being a good mentor. Psalms 18:2 John Hess, Apache ct., AZ.

John Hess - October 17, 2014 at 09:01 AM

JV

“ Louise and family. So sorry for your loss. I have many memories of those times coaching and teaching with Jack at Arthur Hill. Liz and I are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

Jack & Liz Visuri - October 16, 2014 at 05:01 PM



“ I Have You in My Heart Memorial Throw was purchased for the family of John M. Kring.



October 16, 2014 at 12:35 PM

KA

“ So sorry for your loss. John was a wonderful, kind hearted man! My thoughts and prayers are with your family!
Katie McDonald (HealthSource Saginaw)

katie - October 16, 2014 at 08:15 AM

LB

“ *Mr. Kring was one of my favorites at Arthur Hill -- a great teacher with a great sense of humor. I enjoyed getting to know him and his family -- they lived on my block. Please accept my condolences.*
Lucy W. Braun

Lucy W. Braun - October 15, 2014 at 08:06 PM

CS

“ *When I'm asked about a teacher who's made a positive impact in my life, it's Mr. Kring, hands down. In 1980, he took a lousy math student, in me, and made me a better one. As a teacher, I took what I learned from him, and gave that passion to my students. As a principal, I take the "don't give up" approach I learned from him, and use that with my students. I remember, as a senior, we had a minor fire at AHHS. While we were outside, he called me over, gave me money, & sent me to 7-11 to buy hot dogs for the class. He said "We can't have a fire without hot dogs." My sympathies to his family.*
Carl Sztuczko, Elementary Principal-St.,Louis, Michigan

Carl Sztuczko - October 14, 2014 at 05:42 PM

DM

JOHN (JACK) followed one another, John from Bay City Handy, and me from Bay City Central. I came to Arthur Hill in 1961, John in 1962. A wonderful coach and math teacher. A great guy to work with. He will surely be missed. Rest in Peace old friend.
Don & Roberta Morey

Don & Roberta Morey - October 15, 2014 at 09:05 AM

RD

“ John, I surely will miss you. You have been a great neighbor and friend to mom, Chas and I. I have admired you and enjoyed our friendship from AHHS to this day. I still am warmed by your smile and kindness. You were the only, and I mean only, AHHS coach who came to a swim meet and it was appreciated.

Your friend,
Robert E. Day, Esq. and Family.

Robert E. Day - October 14, 2014 at 09:30 AM

KD

Thank you for your kind words.

Kathy Kring Dugan - October 14, 2014 at 12:13 PM

WS

“ Coming from a family of educators and being one myself, I have always believed one should help those that may struggle with a topic but yet still have the drive to learn and succeed. A man did that for me when I was in college and I credit John among others for helping me reach my dream to graduate from Michigan State. I will always be so grateful for him and will always honor him when I assist others to learn. Rest in Peace John Kring

William Scharffe - October 14, 2014 at 09:27 AM

KD

Thank you for your kind words.

Kathy Kring Dugan - October 14, 2014 at 12:14 PM



“ I remember Mr.Kring from Delta college while attending his trigonometry class for my apprenticeship.....one of my favorite classes and teacher.....may you find peace and comfort in knowing he touched many lives.....Paul

Paul Trombley - October 13, 2014 at 11:34 AM

KD

Thank you.

Kathy Kring Dugan - October 14, 2014 at 12:14 PM

JP

“ I remember Mr. Kring from AHHS; he always had a smile on his face! Peace and sympathies to his family. Jill Kraatz Peck, Saginaw, MI

Jill Kraatz Peck - October 13, 2014 at 11:02 AM

KD

thank you.

Kathy Kring Dugan - October 14, 2014 at 12:15 PM