



John Louis Hendee

October 13, 1936 - March 4, 2026

John Louis Hendee passed away on March 4, at the age of 89.

Although he was born and raised a “city boy,” shortly after marrying the love of his life, Marlene, he moved to Mundelein and purchased the home built by his family in 1924.

As a young man, John served our country as an airplane mechanic with the US Army, in Alaska, and his pride and joy was his jaguar convertible.

He was an excellent swimmer and diver with the Triton dive club, where he taught classes and participated in rescue diving. He was also a member of the International Order of Foresters.

Among his top favorite things were dogs, snowmobiling, football, Early Times, reading the newspapers, anything chocolate, and fixing or building anything with his son. He could fabricate and fix anything better than MacGyver.

John had a strong work ethic and retired from Illinois Bell after 39 years as a lineman/ installer, always taking time to do things “the right way.”

Although he was a man of few words, his actions truly showed the adoration and love he had for his family.

John was intelligent and hard-working, and equally stubborn and strong as he was loving and kind hearted.

Marlene and John were married for 63 years and raised three children. They were also blessed with six grandchildren, and six great grandchildren.

To say he will be missed as an understatement.