



John S. Eilar DDS

November 24, 1926 - July 6, 2013

EILAR, JOHN S. DDS

Age 86, of Albuquerque, died Saturday, July 6, 2013. He is survived by son, Gary Wilson Eilar; daughter, C J (Jim) Upchurch; grandchildren, Cody Wilson Eilar, Aaron (Melissa) Upchurch and Benjamin (Nicole) Upchurch. Eilar was preceded in death by his wife, Donna; and daughter, Patty. John was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Services will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2013, 2:00 p.m., at the Mausoleum Chapel at Sunset Memorial Park, 924 Manual Blvd. NE. Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Smile Train, at smiletrain.org, who provide children with free cleft surgery. Please visit our online guestbook for John at www.FrenchFunerals.com.

FRENCH - Westside

9300 Golf Course Rd NW

505-897-0300

Cemetery Details

Sunset Memorial Park

924 Menaul Blvd NE
Albuquerque, NM 87107
(505) 345-3536
info@sunset-memorial.com
<https://www.sunset-memorial.com/>

Previous Events

Service

JUL 10. 2:00 PM (MT)

Chester T. French Memorial Mausoleum Chapel
924 Menaul Blvd. NE
Albuquerque, NM

Tribute Wall

CJ

“ To my dear friends and family. You all are such a wonderful example of what charity is and how you live it and what it is. I've told Patty many times how much her father has been like a father to me, and I feel so very close to him. We shared many wonderful experiences such as going on rides together, going to see the birds, working in the garden, playing with the dogs and Kirby and so on. Seems every time my husband Mark would go with me to visit John and Patty, and there was something wrong with his TV or his video player. Mark would get busy and get it working again. Patty was overjoyed cause then she'd have to watch the vedeos about war history and all those things. Both of our Dad's were addicted to the History station and videos.

One of my fondest thoughts is his testimony of Jesus Christ, and I can't think of a ward that had a better "greeter" than John Eilar. I truly truly love this whole family. They have been such support to me when I was in the hospital or undergoing surgery or chemotherapy. I have reminders of them all over my home. Toots was a dear friend too. She was often worried about Patty, and would call me and ask if I could come and play with her, particularly when she was sick or during one of her difficult times. Gary and Cynthia have been absolutely amazing. The way they took care of their sister and their father puts me to absolute shame. There are rare families that have the love that this family has for each other. I admire and love them so very much. May the wind be at your back John....

With all my love, Carol Jones-Campbell

Carol Jones-Campbell - July 16, 2013 at 07:48 PM

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“Wow! I will never forget John Eilar!!! I grew up in Albuquerque in the 50-s and 60's when Donna Eilar and her non-LDS husband were in our ward at the Haines Street Chapel. Even before he officially joined the LDS church, he would get up on Fast and Testimony Sunday and bear his testimony about Isaiah. As a little kid, what did I know about Isaiah? But this great man with a darling wife who was the best comedian in the world (they were such a great pair!) had such a passion for Isaiah that I had to stop and notice. Decades later when I taught Isaiah to LDS seminary students, I always thought of John Eilar and spoke about him as one of my childhood memories. Hey John, thanks for teaching me about Isaiah. I get him now!

My other memory, which may be somewhat distorted is that he attended church for 10 years before he was baptized into the LDS church. It was only a short time later that he became Bishop of the ward! (do I have this right?) I often cite John Eilar as a great example of someone who didn't bow to pressures from zealous missionaries, but followed his heart in some careful and thoughtful ways. In the end, he was a tremendous servant and friend who influenced a lot of people.

To all you Eilar decedents: May you take your memories of these great souls with you. They're watching over you in ways you can't imagine. They'll be there for you in times of need. They're just around the corner. Be at peace and be proud of your heritage.

*Suzanne Hanna, Moreno Valley, CA
(mother Peggy Hanna, brothers Terry Olson, David Hanna, Phillip Hanna)
midori.hanna@gmail.com.*

Suzanne Hanna - July 10, 2013 at 05:12 PM

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“ *Sending all our love from Iowa City - wish we could be there with family and friends in Albuquerque.*

Grandpa, you are missed and cherished beyond words - thanks for spending time with me and showing me how to enjoy every moment. My hair is still straight despite all the peanut butter I have eaten and I'm still trying not to grow old. Love you so much.

Benjamin Upchurch - July 10, 2013 at 12:49 AM