

John Henry Escapule

Memorial Service

October 22, 2022

at Tucson Lodge No. 4

Tucson Arizona



Masonic Memorial Service

Confered by

W.B. Marlin S. Easthouse

Past Master – Willcox 10 & San Pedro 55

Eastern Star Memorial Service

Confered by

Mary Jackson - Past Grand Matron

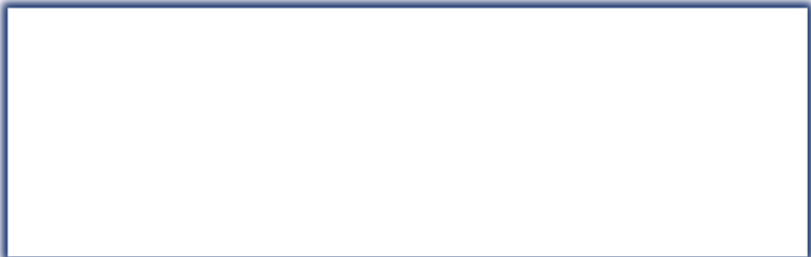
Jim Wadley - Worthy Grand Patron

and members of Pearl of Venus #6

M.:W.:Craig Gross PGM

Master of Ceremonies and Host

and Tucson Lodge No. 4



John Henry Escapule

June 17, 1952 – August 8, 2022

John H. Escapule passed away on August 8, 2022 at St. Josephs Hospital in Phoenix after suffering a stroke. John was the son of Ernest Henry and Margaret Bernice Escapule. He was born on June 17, 1952 in the Tombstone Hospital located where the Tombstone Visitors Center is today.

John was preceded in death by his mother and father, his sister Judy Heiser, his brother Ernie Joe Escapule, and several cousins.

He is survived by his wife of 32 years Peg Escapule, his children, Regina Bobbin (Tim), Camela Campbell (Brian), Suesan Escapule, Tiffunnie Martell (Matt), Deborah Lewis (Levi), Bill Lewis (Sara), Chrissy Knudtson, Amatha Edgerly (Edwin), his brother Mayor Dusty Escapule (Cheri), his sister Patricia Escapule, sister-in-law Carol Escapule and brother-in-law Doug Heiser, at least 20 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews, as well as many other members of his extended family, and innumerable friends.

John was a big part of the ranching and mining in his family. He was also proud to be an MSHA certified Mine Safety Instructor, which he held for over 40 years.

He grew up near the San Pedro River off Escapule Road, where he enjoyed hunting and fishing. He worked in ranching and mining, but also held many different jobs, from school bus driver to diesel mechanic and heavy equipment operator, and even a movie stuntman.

He was also a member of the Tombstone Vigilantes and performed in Helldorado Days. John knew an incredible amount about the desert and gladly taught anyone who would listen to him about the geology of the area, the flora and fauna, and ways to use the natural things we find around us.

John married Peg on September 9, 1990. He helped raise Peg's four children and became involved with her girls in Job's Daughters, escorting them to activities around the state where he met Masons from all over. He admired the men and their beliefs and the moral foundation found in the Craft. Eventually he petitioned and was raised in San Pedro Lodge #55, F&AM in 1996. He and Peg both joined the Order of the Eastern Star in May of 2000. John loved being a Mason and worked tirelessly in many areas of the Masonic Family: Blue Lodge and OES, Job's Daughters, York Rite, and the Widows Sons Motorcycle Association. He cared deeply about his family, the community, and our nation. John was an amazing man who touched many lives.

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SAN PEDRO LODGE NO.55



WB John Henry Escapule



6-17-1952 – 8-8-2022 (70 Years)

Birthplace: Tombstone, AZ

San Pedro Lodge No. 55

Years of Service (26)

Initiated – EA - 6-4-1996

Passed – FC - 9-3-1996

Raised – MM - 10-1-1996

Worshipful Master

2001, 2006, 2008 – 2013 (8)

Willcox Lodge No. 10

Worshipful Master

2014, 2021, 2022 (3)

Bethyl 18 – Job’s Daughters

Associate Guardian – Benson

1997 - 2005

Arizona Job’s Daughters

Associate Grand Guardian

2001 – 2002



Eastern Star

Initiated - May 4, 2000 - Silver Star #53 (Benson) , which became Pearl of Venus #6 in January of 2009. Joined Electa #51 (Sierra Vista in May of 2015, which also became part of Pearl of Venus #6 in 2021.

He joined Arcadia #9 (Safford) in December of 2021.

Past Patron 9 times - Silver Star 53, Electa 51, and Pearl of Venus 6. Currently: Worthy Patron - Pearl of Venus 6 & Associate Patron - Arcadia 9.

Helios York Rite Bodies (Willcox)

High Priest (Present), Illustrious Master, Commander

John was instrumental in organizing the **Knights of Cochise Chapter of Widows Sons**, the Founding Grand Chapter organization in Arizona in 2009.