



## John P. Galles

April 5, 1925 - August 14, 2019

John P. Galles, 94, of Aurora, passed away Wednesday, August 14, 2019 at Alden Gardens of Waterford. He was born April 5, 1925 in Aurora, IL.

John was a dedicated and devoted man who took great pride in his family and city too. He was strong willed, yet humble, who was generous to a fault. He set high standards for himself in morals and dignity as well as in others. He always found pleasure in helping friends, family, or a stranger in need. Faith was his strength. John served in the U.S. Navy for three years, mainly in the Guam Medical Corp. He was discharged in 1946 as Pharmacist 2nd Class. John graduated from East Aurora High School in 1942 and he married Emilie Ripinger on November 27, 1947. (Written by Emilie)

John was a longtime business owner of Johno's Main Surplus for many years in downtown Aurora. He was heavily involved in scouting and Aurora Boys baseball and football leagues. He was a member of the City of Aurora Board. He served as Grand Marshall in the 4th of July Parade. The Solfisberg field was named John Galles Sports Complex in his honor.

He is survived by 5 children David (Jane), Michael (Cindy), John (Susan), Terry (Margi), and Josie (Bruce) Dow; 13 grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife Emilie Galles; his parents Anna (Perisot) and John P. Galles; his granddaughter Rachel Conley; and three sisters Catherine (Stan) Thryselius, Mary (Joe) Yanko, and Betty (Jon) Schmeisser.

Funeral from THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY will be Monday, August 19, 2019 at 9:30am to Annunciation Church at 10:00am. Fr. Joel Rippinger, OSB will officiate with interment at Marywood Cemetery. Visitation will be held Sunday, August 18, 2019 from 3:00pm until 7:00pm with a liturgical wake service at 4:00pm at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake St., Aurora, 630-631-5500. Please visit our interactive website at [www.daleidenmortuary.com](http://www.daleidenmortuary.com) where you may leave condolences for John's family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **18**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary  
220 N. Lake Street  
Aurora, IL 60506  
(630) 631-5500  
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com  
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

## Wake Service

AUG **18**. 4:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Mass

AUG **19**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Annunciation Church  
1820 Church Road  
Aurora, IL 60505

# Tribute Wall

SM

“ John was a very special friend to my son, Randy. Randy looked forward to every Tuesday and Thursday to sit and share coffee, pictures of his latest adventures, and to hear Johns stories of times past. Randy was touched by Johns’ kindness and his patience to listen but even more, Randy became more confident in sharing because John encouraged him❤️ In meeting John, it was clearly evident he was a man of great humor, that he was a doer and encouraged others to be as well, and he was a friend to all! John will always be in our hearts and we were very blessed to have had the short time to share in his journey here on earth. May he now rest in eternal life with his dear wife and May our Lord in heaven shower him with blessings for a life well lived! God grant his Family peace and May all that knew John continue to live with love and servitude ❤️ Randy Mertes & Mom (Sheila)



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sheila mertes - August 18, 2019 at 04:53 PM

RG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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René and Jacqueline Galles-Simon - August 18, 2019 at 03:11 PM

RG

*John is a cousin of René's father; we met for the first time 4 years ago and were received with so much love; we will never forget. May the Lord receive John and Emilie in His peace and glory!*

**René and Jacqueline Galles-Simon** - August 18, 2019 at 03:15 PM

RC

“ *René and Jacqueline Galles, and their children purchased the Yellow & White Sympathy Basket for the family of John P. Galles.*



**René and Jacqueline Galles, and their children** - August 18, 2019 at 05:51 AM

SC

“ *Mr and Mrs Galles were like my 3rd set of grandparents. John was one of my mentors and is part of the reason I'm where I am at today. I'm sorry for his passing but I know that he and Emmy are in heaven together. I'm sorry I cannot make the services I will be at the police academy. Scott Carter.*



**Scott Carter** - August 17, 2019 at 11:51 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of John P. Galles.*



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August 17, 2019 at 04:58 PM



“ *Love, Jenni (Cory) and Jason (Amanda) purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of John P. Galles.*



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**Love, Jenni (Cory) and Jason (Amanda)** - August 17, 2019 at 04:05 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Justin So** - August 16, 2019 at 07:53 PM



“ 51 files added to the album Life Tributes



Daleiden Mortuary - August 16, 2019 at 02:23 PM

MG

*I'm so sorry for your loss. Love always Molly Grimm ( Sherry McCabe Grimm's daughter)*

Molly Grimm - August 16, 2019 at 07:30 PM

MG

*Our condolences to your family.  
Gerry & Mary Glosson*

Mary Glosson - August 17, 2019 at 01:05 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of John P. Galles.*



August 16, 2019 at 11:36 AM

MA

“ My condolences to the Galles Family on John's passing. My memories of him go back all the way to Coolidge Ave., St. Therese Church and his visit to our family cabin on Lake Vermillion. What a great life he lead and what a great legacy he leaves for Aurora.

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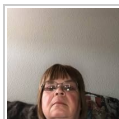
**Mark B. Anderson** - August 15, 2019 at 07:44 AM

CM

My condolences to the Galles family. My memories are all the way at st Therese , and my mother and father were close friends for along time. I also always bought my postal union forms and shoes at johno's. Since my parents have passed he still treated me like family and always always asked about everyone in my family to make sure we were all well. My family have known the Galles's since I was really young. I worked with John jr at the aurora post office for a long time. I know my family and I will never forget him.

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**cynthia morse** - August 16, 2019 at 05:28 PM



Sorry for your loss from your postal buddie Taylor miss you guys

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**Denise Taylor** - August 16, 2019 at 09:07 PM