



## John Ward Flannery

May 4, 1922 - June 3, 2015

John (Jack) Ward Flannery (1922-2015)

After a long and adventurous life, (with multiple near death experiences), Jack boarded his final flight on Celtic Skies June 3rd, 2015. He was born May 4th, 1922, in Monroe, Wisconsin, the son of John and Elizabeth Flannery of Janesville, Wisconsin.

After graduating from Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa he joined the Army during WW II as a radio operator in a tank destroyer (This helped explain his driving). He then courted (stalked) the love of his life, Dilly Smith. They married and began a long love affair traveling many corners of the globe.

Jack believed if you simply added the letter O to any word it created a universally understood language. This theory did not pan out well when the heavily armed Soviet guards at the Albania border failed to grasp his request to “stampo passportos”. Warning shots were fired without added O’s.

He was employed by General Motors for over 30 years while living in Green Bay and Janesville, Wisconsin and Darien, Illinois. After his latest perfect 10 swan dive (form and sustained injuries) from his roof, he and Dilly moved to the great PNW to be closer to sea level.

He survived his wife, Dilly, and his daughter, Kate. He is survived by his two daughters, Elizabeth and Pattie Erin, and his son Michael. He thoroughly enjoyed all the natural beauty and friendly people of Blaine, Washington. His family is very grateful to the teams at Whatcom Fire and Rescue for the wonderful “pickup and delivery service” over the last 12 years.

# Tribute Wall

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“ After seven years, I hope the looting Lulu’s will bury you,with your military marker , mommy & Kathleen..I will shame the vile Lulu’s, on my word!

Elisabeth Flannery - September 01, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Dear Flannery family, Please accept my deepest sympathy for the loss of your dear loved one. It seems no greater sadness is felt than when someone so dear to us is loss. May you find comfort in your memories and draw strength from a promise God has provided which gives the hope of someday being reunited with your beloved ( John 5 : 28,29 ). This promised future is one that will be filled with great joy because it will include perfect health and everlasting life on a paradise earth where ” the former things have passed away ” ( Rev. 21 : 4, Psalms 37 : 29 ). May you find comfort in knowing that God does care and He does hear our cries. Please accept my most sincere condolences

Dan - June 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ I’m so sorry for your family’s loss. May the God of all comfort be with you during this difficult time. 2 Cor 1:3,4. You have my condolences.

Tara Webber - June 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ To the Dear family of my Sweet Dear Friend John. I so miss John and Dilly. They were one of a kind, John will now be with his Love Dilly. To sweet Patti Erin and husband Michael you don't know how I enjoyed them both and how your daddy made me laugh. I will always think of him when he and dilly DROVE up to Whistler and brought me back a gift. It was the shower cap they give out in the room. But he was so proud and had it wrapped with a bow on it. To this day I carry it in my travel bag and think of them both My condolences to you both and also your brother and sister.  
Love  
Nancie Brown-Berge

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**Nancie Brown-Berge** - June 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM