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John Patrick Brown Jr.

AGE: 82 • High Bridge

John Patrick Brown Jr. , age 82, of High Bridge, NJ passed away on Monday, November 24, 2014 at the Hunterdon Medical Center in Raritan Twp., NJ.

He was born on May 31, 1932 at Morristown, NJ. He grew up in Bedminster, NJ and was a resident of Somerville for thirty years before moving to High Bridge NJ in 1984. He was the son of the late John Patrick Brown Sr. and Catherine Ann (Jones) Brown. His wife, Barbara Keegan Brown predeceased him in 2006.

In his youth, he was an altar server at St. Elizabeth's Church in Far Hills NJ. John was a 1952 graduate of Bernards High School where he was a pitcher on the Mountaineers' baseball team. Upon his graduation, he tried out for the Baltimore Orioles baseball team. He was drafted into the US [Army](#) where he served in the [Korean War](#) from 1952-1954 as a field artillery gunner on the 105 Howitzer. John was a salesman of electrical supplies for many years at Acme Electric in Somerville, Circle Electric in Plainfield and, lastly, for Hesco Electric Supply in Annandale. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus in High Bridge. He was also a member of the American Legion Post 12 in Somerville NJ and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Spruce Run Memorial Post 5119 in Glen Gardner NJ. He was an avid bowler and a member of many teams throughout Central Jersey.

Survivors include his son John P. Brown III (Jack) of High Bridge NJ, three sisters, Nancy Santolini of Vineland NJ, Joan Vossen and Mary Ellen Brown of Annandale NJ, many nieces and nephews and several great nieces and great nephews. He was also predeceased by two brothers-in-law, Concenzio (James) Santolini, and John L. Vossen.

Calling hours will be Sunday, November 30, 2014 from 1-5pm at Naughtright-Scarponi Funeral Home, 66 Main Street, High Bridge, NJ 08829. Funeral Mass will be Monday, December 1, 2014 at 10am at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in High Bridge, NJ. Entombment will follow at t Somerset Hills Memorial Park in Basking Ridge, NJ. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus, 59 Main Street, High Bridge, NJ 08829 or Veterans of Foreign Wars, 179 Main Street, Glen Gardner, NJ 08826.

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