



## John H. Horton

December 2, 1933 - March 5, 2017

Mr. John H. Horton passed away Sunday evening in a local hospital following a short illness.

He was born December 2, 1933 in Streater, Illinois, one of twelve children to Joseph and Harriet (Hoit) Horton. He was raised and educated in Illinois and served his country in The United States Navy. It was while he was serving in the Navy that he met a nurse, Butte native, Mary Frances Bennett, at the Jacksonville Naval Hospital. They were united in marriage on August 20, 1954 in Folkston, Georgia and following their respective discharges settled in Butte where John worked as an underground miner. He worked in the Mountain Con, the Steward, the Kelley and also was operator at the primary crusher at the Berkeley Pit before his retirement.

John was a trustee and member of the Centerville Volunteer Fire Department, an avid outdoorsman, a member of the Big Sky Rocketry Association and a member of the Butte Gem and Mineral Club.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Andrew and Teresa Horton of Helena, daughters, Mary Linn Horton, Norma Horton and Edna Horton all of Butte, his only grandson, John Michael Horton also of Butte, two sisters, Edna Mae Richard and Thelma Gouliard and sister-in-law, Vera Bennett. Also surviving are numerous nieces and nephews. And who could forget his

beloved cat "Missy" who was supposed to be a rescue pet but actually picked him.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Mary Frances who passed away October 19, 1991, his brothers Arthur, Walter, Robert, George, Donald, James and Ralph and his sisters, Ellen and Mary Ann.

Memorials in memory of John may be made to the Humane Society.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Moriah Cemetery

2415 S. Montana Street  
Butte, MT 59701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 9. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (MT)

Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home  
1800 Florence Ave  
Butte, MT 59701  
(406) 723-3221  
<https://wayrynen-richards.com/>

## Service

MAR 9. 1:00 PM (MT)

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# Tribute Wall

RS

“ May *“the hearer of prayer”* continue to comfort your family during this most difficult time.  
*Lean on one another for encouragement when the days ahead become to hard to bear alone. We hope that the many cards, hugs, kind words, and loving prayers sustains your family and grants them peace.*

Roderick&Desiree Sigler - March 09, 2017 at 05:44 AM

LL

“ Love to all, Mary Linn purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of John H. Horton.



Love to all, Mary Linn - March 08, 2017 at 04:26 PM

VC

“ Vicky (Gouliard) Crebo lit a candle in memory of John H. Horton



Vicky (Gouliard) Crebo - March 08, 2017 at 08:02 AM

VC

*Uncle John, The distance may have separated us, but love of you and your family and mine kept us close. You will forever be in my heart. My love to all of you. God bless you and keep you.*

Vicky (Gouliard) Crebo - March 08, 2017 at 08:05 AM

HJ

*To the Horton Family. Your dad was a gentle, soft spoken, sweet man. I enjoyed talking to him at Walmart and living in the neighborhood when I was younger. My prayers are with you all.*

*Heather Lochrie Johnson*

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**Heather Johnson** - March 08, 2017 at 10:06 AM

FG

*A life well lived. Peace*

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**Frank J Gaul** - March 08, 2017 at 12:52 PM

JD

*Oh how I fondly remember John and Mary Fran and all of the Hortons from my Centerville days! With deepest sympathy for a life well-lived, Janice Downey*

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**Janice Downey** - March 13, 2017 at 10:19 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of John H. Horton.*



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March 07, 2017 at 10:19 PM