



## John Joseph Zinkus

November 18, 1918 - February 10, 2014

Zinkus, John Joseph, age 95, of New Martinsville, WV, died Monday, February 10, 2014 at OVMC, Wheeling, WV.

John was born on November 18, 1918, in Herrin, Illinois, the son of the late Cecelia Alisauskas and Charles Zenko. He was one of three boys. His dad was a tunnel digger for the Chicago subway system.

In 1941, he married Katherine Seccuro from Fairmont, WV

In 1960, the family moved to New Martinsville and he began working at Ormet. He worked there for 23 years.

John was a 54-year member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church and a member of The Knights of Columbus chapter for 29 years. He also served in the Bingo Club at St. Vincent's for many years.

Last year, John and Katherine were honored by Marriage Encounter as the oldest married couple in the state of West Virginia.

He is survived by his wife of 72 years, Katherine; his daughter, Carol Ann Bell and her husband, Samuel from Church Hill, MD; his son, John Charles Zinkus and his wife, Doreen, from Springfield, VA; his sister, Cecelia Lescyneski and her husband, Frank, from Chicago, Ill; his brother, Charles, from New Martinsville; four grandchildren, Matthew Zinkus and his wife, Jennifer French, from Dubai, Kim Johnson and her husband, Tripp, from Scottsdale, AZ, Jennifer Manning and her husband, Scott, from Chicago, Ill; and Michelle Allen from Atlanta, GA; six great grandchildren, Jacob, Rachel and Katie from Atlanta, Zoe and Zane from Chicago, and Madeleine from Dubai.

Family will receive friends on Friday, February 21, 2014, from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 751 Third Street, New Martinsville. Funeral Liturgy with Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, February 22, 2014, at 11 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 21 Rosary Road, New Martinsville, with Fr. John McDonough as celebrant. Burial to follow in Greenlawn Memorial Park, New Martinsville where the Honor Guard will conduct military graveside services. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 21 Rosary Road, New Martinsville, WV 26155.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenlawn Memorial Park

North State Route 2  
New Martinsville, WV 26155

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 21. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville  
751 Third Street  
New Martinsville, WV 26155  
(304) 455-1800  
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

## Visitation

FEB 21. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville  
751 Third Street  
New Martinsville, WV 26155  
(304) 455-1800  
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

## Service

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FEB **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church  
21 Rosary Road  
New Martinsville, WV 26155

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My thoughts and prayers for Mr. Zinkus' family from an old neighbor from Steelton. My father, John, worked at Ormet for many years as well and we only lived a couple hundred feet away on Benjamin Dr.*

*God bless.*

*Jack Floyd  
The Villages, FL*

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**Jack Floyd** - February 25, 2014 at 04:39 PM

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“ *Love, Rosemary, John Paul and Family purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of John Joseph Zinkus.*



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**Love, Rosemary, John Paul and Family** - February 20, 2014 at 08:31 PM

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**Carol** - February 19, 2014 at 06:02 PM

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**Carol** - February 19, 2014 at 05:57 PM

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**Carol** - February 19, 2014 at 05:53 PM

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“ *Carol and John,  
Sorry to read of your father's passing. Our condolences to you and  
your families.  
Rick and Betty Richter*

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**Rick Richter** - February 19, 2014 at 07:18 AM

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“ *TO CAROL ZINKUS BELL AND FAMILY. WE WANT TO EXTEND  
OUR SYMPATHY TO YOUR FAMILY ON THE PASSING OF YOUR  
FATHER. THIS IS AN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TIME FOR YOUR  
FAMILY AND THE TIME AHEAD FOR BE DIFFICULT BUT WE  
HOPE YOUR FATHER IS AT PEACE WITH GOD. YOUR  
CLASSMATE AND FRIENDS EDIE, JOHNNY AND COMPANION  
FRED. <http://storage.lifetributes.com/Candles/new/candle-10.png>*

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**EDYTHE M SANDS** - February 13, 2014 at 04:31 PM

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**Jennifer French** - February 13, 2014 at 01:34 AM