

In Loving Memory of



John Alfredo Elesow

December 2, 1936 ~ September 2, 2000

Funeral Services

Friday September 8, 2000

Viewing

8:00 am ~ 8:45 am

John Thomas Memorial Chapel

9:00 am ~ 9:30 am

St. Ann's Chapel

Service

10:00 am

St. Ann's Chapel

Interment

Western Cemetery #1

Eulogy



John Alfredo Elesow was born on December 2, 1936 in Frenchtown, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. He was the son of the late Marie A. Magras of St. Thomas and James E. Elesow of Fredericksted, St. Croix, VI

At the very early age of 13, John mastered the art of fishing and worked with his grandfather, Gustave (One Hand) Magras for a number of years as a means of earning a livelihood. He then held several jobs in the private sector and later was employed by the VI Department of Agriculture.

His early interest in western folklore, cowboy movies and country and western music soon earned him the nickname of "Panhandle" as he became known to his many friends. To his grandfather and a few closer friends he was called "Mapoon."

John married Mary Rose Aubain on December 22, 1958. An avid baseball fan, his favorite team was the New York Mets, whose progress he monitored very closely on radio and TV. His love of fishing never waned, and often he could be seen along with Rose and Emma heading west in search of the Jacks.

In 1992, John was struck with Cancer. He battled this monster for a period of eight years. There were periods of improvement, and through it all John fought hard, with his wife Rose at his side, assisting in every way possible.

Then, on September 2, 2000, it was time for John's suffering to end when the Master summoned him home to a better place. He will be missed by his family and friends.

Survivors

Wife

Mary Rose Aubain Elesow

Sister-in-law

Ann Emma Aubain

Brothers-in-law

John L. & Dennis Aubain Sr.

Godchild

Aubrey Magras

Cousin

Magras families

In-Laws

Aubain, Hendricks, Berry & Olive Families

Special Dear Friend

Mego & Family

Many other relatives and friends to numerous to mention

Pallbearers

Emelea Jeppesen ** Donald Blyden

Gene Aubain ** Pierre Ledee

Edwin Olive ** Ralph Danet Sr.

Jean Larmony * * Louis Greaux

Honorary Pallbearers

John Dennis Sr * Pierre Aubain * Austin Danet

Frankie Olive * George Franklin Stuart * Pablo Reyes

Joseph Gumbs * Joseph Ledee