

JOHN A. BRIGGS A.K.A JACK BRIGGS
DIED ON JANUARY 1ST, 2016

MR. BRIGGS WAS BORN IN GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT WHERE HE OWNED HIS OWN TRUCKING BUSINESS AND A LIMOUSINE SERVICE FOR 15 YEARS BEFORE COMING TO FLORIDA IN 1971. MR. BRIGGS THEN BECAME A FLORIDA REALTOR & APPRAISER FOR OVER 35 YEARS.

MR. BRIGGS WAS A GRADUATE OF BOYS TOWN, NEBRASKA AND HAS BEEN PRESIDENT OF THE FLORIDA CHAPTER OF THE BOYS TOWN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION FOR OVER 20 YEARS SINCE HE ORGANIZED THE CHAPTER IN BRONSON, FLORIDA. MR. BRIGGS OWNED A MOTEL, RESTAURANT AND LOUNGE IN BRONSON AND WAS PRESIDENT OF THE BRONSON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR 3 YEARS BEFORE MOVING TO ORLANDO IN 1984.

IN SEPTEMBER 1984 JACK BECAME A HERO BY SAVING A 27 YEAR OLD FATHER OF THREE CHILDREN FROM DROWNING IN A SWIMMING POOL AT A HOTEL. HE APPEARED ON GOOD MORNING AMERICA IN NYC AND WAS FLOWN TO LOS ANGELES TO RECEIVE A HERO'S AWARD FROM THE BAYWATCH TV GROUP AND THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

MR. BRIGGS SUFFERED FROM POST-POLIO SYNDROME. HE HAD CONTACTED POLIO AT THE AGE OF TWO AND WAS RECEIVING SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS AFTER WORKING FOR OVER 43 YEARS WITH HIS DISABILITY.

MR. BRIGGS HAD BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE ADVENT CHRISTIAN VILLAGE IN DOWLING PARK, FLORIDA FOR THE LAST 15 YEARS, AN ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY.