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John Paul Ray born February 4, 1950, died February 1, 2017. John who lived to fullest left this life quietly with his daughters and brother at his side. His life was a model of overcoming adversity with spirit and aplomb. His smile lifted everyone he encountered. He is proceeded in death by his parents Earl and Jean Ray. He is survived by: his daughters Margaret Kelly (Nathan) Frazee and Jennifer (Eric) Castillo; his four grandchildren Cade, William, Peyton and Jacob; his brothers Todd (Jody Lori) of Ann Arbor, Michigan and Rodger (Lorna) of Niota, Tennessee. In accordance with John's wishes cremation has taken place with a celebration of his life to take place at a later date in St. Clair, Michigan. In lieu of flowers please send donations to the American Diabetic Association, Camp Midicha, 300 Galleria Office Center Suite 111 Southfield, MI 48034. Indicate the gift is directed to the children's diabetic camp "Midicha"

John is numbered among the "wild men who caught and sung the sun in flight" (Dylan Thomas, "Do Not Go Gentle Into That Good Night").



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TG

Tim Genaw posted:

I LOST A GREAT PAL,FRIEND MEMORIES THAT ARE TO MANY TO SHARE,JOHN YOU WILL ALWAYS REMAIN IN MY HEART AND MIND.YOU ARE THE BEST!!! FOR JOHN FAMILY I AM VERY SORRY FOR YOUR LOST. TIM

March 5 at 12:03 PM

MM

Michele Malane posted:

John and I used to be good friends, cooking dinner and enjoying a libation. He was always a gentleman and extremely kind. Rest in peace my friend.

February 24 at 4:42 AM

JL

Judy Landino posted:

John like to send photos, pictures, emails, and jokes to cheer people on a regular basis. He cared about others. His gentle spirit will be missed. John as they said, was an example of stamina, grace and living life by climbing every mountain with that great smile of his. Growing up with our cousins in Fraser, MI allotted us many memories of anything from actually doing chores, to picnics, sledding, boating, drag racing, fishing, Holiday gatherings and having mutual friends and family with whom we all shared many good times. Our sympathy goes out to Kelly, Jenny, Todd, Roger and all their families.

February 3 at 1:54 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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