



## John W. Kaplet

December 24, 1942 - November 22, 2020

John W. Kaplet, age 77 of Old Washington, passed away on Sunday, November 22, 2020 at Southeastern Ohio Regional Medical Center, due to complications of covid-19. He was born on December 24, 1942 in Dearborn, Michigan, a son of the late George Kaplet and Mildred (Zatezalo) Kaplet.

Mr. Kaplet was a 1960 graduate of Union Local High School. He was drafted into the U.S. Army from 1960 to 1962. John was the owner of Kaplet's Market and later Kaplet's Marathon. He was an active member of the Old Washington Presbyterian Church where he served as an Elder and was the go to guy for keeping up the maintenance. He was a member of the Cambridge Country Club and various other local organizations over the years. He was a avid sports fan of the Buckeye Trail Warriors and lived and died for the Cleveland Browns, Indians and Cavaliers. He was a friend of everybody. John would do whatever he could to support his community and Old Washington.

John is survived by: his wife of 35 years, Patricia (Tedrick) Kaplet; a daughter Valerie (Dr. Robert) Price of Warrington, PA; grandchildren, Gage (Kathleen) Price, Cole (Amanda) Price, Dr. Kane (Ashley) Price, Kyle Wells and McKenzie Wells; great grandchildren Kevin, Hayley and Charlotte Noel, Jaxon and Emerson Price and Layla Price; siblings, George (Christine) Kaplet and Sophia Sullivan; two nieces and two nephews; and his beloved dog Sophie.

He is preceded in death by: his parents and his son Gregory J. Wells.

Graveside service will be held on Friday, November 27, 2020 at Old Washington Cemetery at 1 pm with Pastor Wes Jones officiating. Covid precautions apply. Memorial contributions may be made to the Old Washington Presbyterian Church P.O. Box 267 Old Washington, Ohio 43768 or to the Old Washington Cemetery Association. John's guest book may be viewed and signed at <http://www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com>. A recording of his service will be posted on his guest book after the service. A seperate memorial service will be held at a later date.

# Events

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**NOV**   **Service**   01:00PM  
**27**   

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Old Washington Cemetery  
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# Comments

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“ Patty you have my sincere condolences. I will really miss the conversations I've had with John and the knowledge I've gained from talking to him. He started out being a customer and became a very good friend .

Mitch Mason salesman for Matesich Distributing Company

**mitch mason** - November 30, 2020 at 06:51 PM

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“ John was such a caring person to all he met. He shared his birthday with our daughter and remembered her every year til she got married and moved away. Plus all the conversations with Steve about sports.

**Steve and Karen Tellep** - November 30, 2020 at 05:59 PM

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“ Cheryl Onega and family send love and prayers. John was such a giving person. A life well lived. We will miss him.

**Cheryl Onega** - November 29, 2020 at 07:58 PM

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“ Everythin was so true what Wes said about john. Made me think about how over the years i worked for him I witnessed countless time that he feed homeless people who tried to eat out of trash cans outside. How he would let homeless stay in his empty building just to stay out if the wind and cold. How he looked out for all his employees. Helped any of us girls get transpotation, tires, loans. He gave us bonuses to help us. Very generous with our Christmas bonus. I can say he personally he helped me many times. I never seen john out of line with any women. Always a gentleman. Him and I bumped heads once in awhile but I still always thought the world of him like a dad. John told me many times how he would be lost without Patty. His wife and family was very important to him. We will miss him greatly. R.I.P.



**Robin Estok** - November 28, 2020 at 06:14 PM

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“ John was a great man. I me him at Kaplets grocery store. And then at Marathon. He always had a smile on his face. Always there to listen. God Bless you John. May God give comfort to those mourning him. I'll see him again sometime after my lifetime. Prayers for the family.

**Diana Jacobs** - November 28, 2020 at 04:43 PM

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“ John was a very special man. He was a wonderful husband to Patty. A wonderful stepfather to her children and they were truly blessed. He loved his town, his job, his sports, and his friends. He will be missed by so many people. May he rest in peace.

**Pamela Giesey Yakupcak** - November 28, 2020 at 07:44 AM

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“ Pamela Giesey Yakupcak lit a candle in memory of John W. Kaplet



**Pamela Giesey Yakupcak** - November 28, 2020 at 07:40 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



**Bundy-Law Funeral Home** - November 27, 2020 at 02:15 PM

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“ Frank and Donna, Colleen & Bill and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John W. Kaplet.



**Donna Cleary** - November 26, 2020 at 12:30 PM

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“ I'm very sorry for your loss Patty ,I'm Tim your Budweiser driver and will miss John I've been his driver for many years and always enjoyed talking with him my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time he will be truly missed

**Tim Sipos** - November 25, 2020 at 06:54 PM

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“ Patty, John was a very kind and giving person. He always asked about our kids, and always willing to help out anyone in the community and at Buckeye Trail. We always knew where to look for him at the basketball games. He was always in the same seat. He will be missed.

Randy and Pat Nichols

Randy and Pat Nichols - November 25, 2020 at 06:44 PM

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“ John Kaplet was a valuable asset to the community of Old Washington. He did much to upgrade the town. He and his wife Patty are friends of mine that I value knowing as well as their grandchildren, Kyle and McKenzie Wells who are my heart. John will be missed greatly. Peach Smith

Peach Smith - November 25, 2020 at 05:01 PM

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“ He was very good for the community. I always remember that he was a faithful fan at all of Buckeye Trail's basketball games. I loved his store in Old Washington. He will be greatly missed. Teresa Smith

Teresa Smith - November 25, 2020 at 04:53 PM

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“ May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of John W. Kaplet, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.  
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.

My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....

US Army Veteran, John W. Kaplet, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.  
John 15:13 †

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - November 25, 2020 at 03:21 AM



“ I will always remember John for his faithful attendance at Buckeye Trail Girl's basketball games. He was an avid fan. I also remember going to his store at lunch to get gobstoppers so I could continue on my school day. At Halloween, he gave the best treats. I always made a stop at Kaplet's Market to get my bag of chips or candy bar. He would smile as he seemed to enjoy looking at all the costumes. He always made me feel special and encouraged me to work hard and be successful. He was truly a blessing to me. He owns the only local gas station that will let you air your tires for free. He will be missed.



**Lori Smith** - November 24, 2020 at 09:38 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss Patty. I have nothing but great memories of working for John at Kaplet's Market.

**Candy Miller Pauk** - November 24, 2020 at 08:49 PM

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“ Patty, thinking of you and your family. John always had a smile and a kind word. Our thoughts and prayers. Dick and Marie Wilson

**Dick Wilson** - November 24, 2020 at 08:43 PM

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“ Martha Kerns and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of John W. Kaplet.



**Martha Kerns and family** - November 24, 2020 at 06:25 PM

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“ John was a great man! It was a pleasure seeing him daily at the gas station! Seeing he and his team, was a great way to start the day for many of us. He will be missed by the entire community.

**Jordan and Dennis Wells** - November 24, 2020 at 06:11 PM

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“ So sorry to hear about John's passing. I worked for him 28 years and you could never have had a better boss.  
Betty Winters

**Betty Winters** - November 24, 2020 at 05:45 PM

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“ With my deepest sympathy & love Millie purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of John W. Kaplet.



**With my deepest sympathy & love Millie** - November 24, 2020 at 05:38 PM

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“ So Sorry for your loss. Chad and Dawnetta Carter

**Chad Carter** - November 24, 2020 at 04:42 PM

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“ So many wonderful memories working at Kaplets Market. I absolutely loved working for John! He was a wonderful, kind and patient man, especially to put up with my constant whistling while I worked! My mom loved him and Patty. She would always say lets go see John when I would come in from Virginia. I always loved visiting with him and catching up! I will miss him. I will always be your Tam Tam! Love you Patty, sending hugs and love.

Love and prayers,  
Tammy



**Tammy Kasper** - November 24, 2020 at 02:34 PM

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“ Sending prayers and comfort to you Patty and your family. John was a wonderful person and will be missed saying prayers God will give the strength to get though the days ahead.



**connie wells** - November 24, 2020 at 02:00 PM

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“ 71 files added to the tribute wall



**Valerie Price** - November 24, 2020 at 01:50 PM

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“ So Sorry to hear about John's passing.He was #1 warrior for all the sports at Trail. He will be missed by many.Prayers for Patty and family. Dave and Linda Carter and family.

**Linda Carter** - November 24, 2020 at 01:14 PM

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“ Sending prayers of comfort to Patty and family!!



**Wendy Miller Marino** - November 24, 2020 at 12:51 PM

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“ We are very sorry to hear of John's passing. Patty and family will be in our prayers.  
Ken & Amy Adams

**Amy Adams** - November 24, 2020 at 12:28 PM

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“ So sorry to learn of John's passing. Pat Tedrick Kaplet was a classmate and friend. We pray for peace and comfort now and days to come. Love from Don and Sheila Revelle

**Don Revelle** - November 24, 2020 at 12:13 PM

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“ John and Pat was always 1 of my main reasons to go to work on sunday at the club he was great and loved he will be missed thoughts and prayers Pat



**Rhonda** - November 24, 2020 at 11:57 AM

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“ So sorry for your loss, Patty, Valerie and family. Such a wonderful man who truly embraced the community. Love and prayers to all.  
Trish and Jerry Jones

**Trish Jones** - November 24, 2020 at 11:00 AM

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“ John was always so kind to me and my family. He always took time to talk or just give you that sincere smile.  
He'll be missed. Praying for Patty and her family.

**Debbie Parry** - November 24, 2020 at 09:26 AM

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“ John was best friend and confidant. Loved by both of us . His soul is with the Lord.  
Prayers for Pat and family. David and Annette.

**David and Annette Ellwood** - November 24, 2020 at 09:17 AM



“ I hope you guys are doing great I love and miss you guys to

**Rhonda** - November 24, 2020 at 11:58 AM



“ Patty, so sorry to hear of John's passing. We had many good experiences together at the store and through Old Washington Presbyterian Church. May he rest in peace. Linda Snyder

**Linda** - November 26, 2020 at 10:21 AM

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“ John was a dedicated servant of Jesus Christ. He was always available for whatever or wherever needed. He leaves a huge vacancy for the Old Washington Presbyterian Church. The same could be said of Buckeye Trail nation. I'm so glad they honored him at a football game when he could feel the love. Truly a big loss for the entire community. John lives with his Lord today and has received his crown of righteousness. Merlin Wentworh.

**Merlin & Rachel Wentworth** - November 24, 2020 at 09:14 AM

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“ Evelyn King lit a candle in memory of John W. Kaplet



**Evelyn King** - November 24, 2020 at 08:48 AM

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“ May the peace of the Holy Spirit be with you during this time of loss and mourning. Mr. Kaplet will be greatly missed by the members of the community because he touched so many lives and truly made a difference. My sympathies to you all.



**Anetta M. McNurlin** - November 24, 2020 at 08:46 AM

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“ Dear Patty,

It is with extreme sorrow to learn of the passing of John. I remember John fondly for his kind heart to all. I also remember him as a great friend who would listen not only to me but to others. He will truly be missed by the community. I am really lost for words to describe my feeling toward him Remember those many fond memories. May John RIP.

Bill and Dixie

**William Reese** - November 24, 2020 at 07:43 AM

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“ Richard & Theresa Marmie lit a candle in memory of John W. Kaplet



**Richard & Theresa Marmie** - November 24, 2020 at 07:30 AM

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**Valerie Price** - November 24, 2020 at 12:54 AM

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Valerie Price - November 24, 2020 at 12:44 AM

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Valerie Price - November 24, 2020 at 12:36 AM

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Valerie Price - November 24, 2020 at 12:19 AM

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“ Brenda Gillespie lit a candle in memory of John W. Kaplet



Brenda Gillespie - November 23, 2020 at 10:13 PM

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“ Karen Thomas lit a candle in memory of John W. Kaplet



**Karen Thomas** - November 23, 2020 at 08:18 PM

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“ I use to deliver gas to his station. He was a great man. I will definitely miss him when I go to get gas, always in a good mood. Definitely a top shelf person. Rest In Peace my friend.

**Rick Archer** - November 23, 2020 at 08:15 PM

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“ Our Community Lost a Mentor a Friend and a Great all around person he will be missed. Prayers to you Patty and Valerie and Families.

**Dennis Doutt** - November 23, 2020 at 08:11 PM

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“ I've got no words that are appropriate, I'll say thus;

John was the glue that held a community together.

I know John would want the community to survive.

I loved this guy.

**david** - November 23, 2020 at 08:03 PM

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“ Dear Patty and family, I am so heartbroken to learn of John's passing. He was such a huge part of our community and Warrior family. He was Chief! Terry and I loved him dearly and all the memories we have. I remember him letting all the boys have a swim party when summer open gym ended. Shayne learned to swim in your pool! He was so generous and giving. Hope you are doing well Patty. Sending love and hugs.

**Vicki Leggett** - November 23, 2020 at 07:55 PM

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“ So sorry to hear the loss of John. Deepest sympathy and prayers



**Theresa (Carter) Morrill** - November 23, 2020 at 06:55 PM

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“ Sending love and prayers to Patty and your family. Love, Joellyn Weidman

**Jo Weidman** - November 23, 2020 at 06:47 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. John was a wonderful man, very kind and caring of his community, a supporter of BTHS. With deepest sympathy, Jean Warne

**jean Warne** - November 23, 2020 at 06:43 PM

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“ My condolences to Pat and the whole family.  
May John rest from his labor in the arms of the Father.  
Well done faithful mighty servant, well down....

**Eddie Warne** - November 23, 2020 at 06:41 PM

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“ Very sorry for your loss I Knew John for over 45 years my sister Shirley worked for him for many years as a teenager if I went into the store and did not have enough money John would give me a discount or just give it to me that is how John was and some sense he was like a brother to me he help our family out when my brother Bill died in 1987 I left Old Washington and started a family of my own when my dad died and my brother Bob died when I went home John was right there John was on of the nicest man I ever met I haven't seen John for ever 15 years but I often think of him rest in peace John you will be sadly missed see you again someday your friend Tommy Slasor of New Phila

**Thomas Slasor** - November 23, 2020 at 06:27 PM

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“ John allowed our 4-H club to have bake sales at the station. He would always buy everything we had left at the end, to take to church and share. He will be missed by everyone. Prayers for the family and Deepest Sympathy.

**Lori Bamfield** - November 23, 2020 at 06:24 PM

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“ Heaven has gained a kind and generous soul. Live free and enjoy John; throughout your everlasting life!

**Gary Johnson** - November 23, 2020 at 06:20 PM

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“ We are very sorry to hear John has passed away.He was a special person and was good to Jeffery.May God rest his soul. Jimmy Murphy and family

**Terry Murphy** - November 23, 2020 at 06:10 PM

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“ John was so good to my family. . He was always helping with the community and would never hesitate to help a stranger. He was a very smart man with a giving heart. We will miss him. His little craft store was always my favorite place to find Christmas treasures. Sending love to his family.

**Melissa Molisee** - November 23, 2020 at 05:58 PM

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“ John always had a smile and big hand wave whenever we went into the station. He was a blessing to our community and such a great support to our school and students. Enjoyed talking to John about the Buckeye Trail football games. He was always willing to help with our library fundraisers. John was a great guy that loved helping others. Rest in peace.

**Jerry & Joan Albaugh** - November 23, 2020 at 05:49 PM

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“ Here's to cheesy poofs and onion dip from kaplets market for school lunch!! He will be missed!!

**Amy Lambes** - November 23, 2020 at 05:46 PM

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“ John was a very dear friend. I was his “favorite Pepsi guy” he always told me! I cherish the life lessons and advice he gave me on how to be a good father and man. I will never forget Mr. Kaplet and will keep him forever in my heart until I see him again. Rest In Peace my friend!



**Dustin Smart** - November 23, 2020 at 05:34 PM



“ Loss of such a great person!!

**Shawn Tracy** - November 23, 2020 at 05:37 PM



“ Always a wonderful supporter of the entire Old Washington Community especially East Guernsey School District. Will miss your smiling face John. Prayers and love to Patty and family. Joe and Cindy Starr

**Joe and Cindy Starr** - November 23, 2020 at 05:43 PM



“ I always liked seeing John in his grocery store. He was friendly, happy, complementary, and a really good person in the community. I taught at Buckeye Trail HS for a number of years, and John was always supportive of the school, interested in what my students were doing, and ready to talk about what was going on around town. I liked him. When he opened the station, I enjoyed talking with him on visits there, and he always was genuinely happy to see me. A good businessman, a good citizen, a good person. That's how I knew him.

**janet muffet** - November 24, 2020 at 08:28 PM

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“ He was always kind every time we went to the store. I will always remember the special thing he did for my dad. He placed specifically Caffeine-Free Pepsi, in a can, in the cooler. He knew my dad always bought one every morning, before he dropped us off at the school. Rest in Love and Peace John.



**Heather (Carter) Demby** - November 23, 2020 at 05:15 PM



“ John was a great man. He was a blessing to many. I use to work for John and he helped me out thru a divorce. Many will miss him. Patty he really loved you. God Bless.

**Gail Workman** - November 23, 2020 at 05:31 PM



“ John was not only my employer at one time he was also my friend. We lost a good man that did so much for his community and helped countless people. Patty you and your family are I our thoughts and prayers!

**Butch and Karen Prouty** - November 23, 2020 at 05:41 PM



“ We're so sorry for your loss he will be missed! Love and prayers

**Lori Godby- Barlow** - November 23, 2020 at 06:07 PM



“ On behalf of the Kaplet relatives, I would like to extend our love and sincere sympathy to John's family, especially Pat. John is my first cousin. We all grew up together in Glencoe. Our fathers were brothers. John, along with his brother and sister, endured much sadness in their lives. John, losing his father while very young (a baby,) He lost his mother while in grade school (5th or 6th) Yet he surmounted those losses with a spirit and resolve that became obvious to anyone who knew him. Unfortunately we all didn't get to seem him often over the years, as we lived far away. But our memories remain of a very kind and decent man.

Joann "Peppy" Kaplet Duff, Lancaster, Ohio; Joseph Kaplet, Merritt Island, Fl.; Mary Kaplet Bishop, Falmouth, Mass. and Dorothy Kaplet of O'Fallon, Ill.

**Joann Duff** - November 23, 2020 at 06:27 PM



“ I went from first grade through the eighth grade with John at the Glencoe School. So I am sorry to hear about his passing. I knew him well, but over the years and living in a different area I was not able to keep up with him. But my memory of him is of someone who was a little shy and quiet and well mannered. I was glad to hear he did well in life. I'm not surprised. His support of his church reflects his Love of the Lord. I never met his wife, Pat, but I want her to know I send my sincere thoughts and also my prayers.

Marlene Pierce Hubbard, St. Clairsville, Ohio

**Marlene Hubbard** - November 23, 2020 at 08:24 PM



“ Our Deepest Sympathy, Don & Darla Kahrig



**Darla Kahrig** - November 23, 2020 at 05:04 PM

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“ John was all about supporting anything associated with the community and East Guernsey Schools. John would constantly asked me what he could do to help our school and our students. It's an honor to call John a friend. His unselfish giving will be greatly missed. John was all about helping people.

**Richard Hall** - November 23, 2020 at 04:56 PM



“ John was more than a boss to me he was like a second father to me and I am going to miss him so very much

**Shelly Thompson** - November 23, 2020 at 05:30 PM



“ I knew John when he owned the store. We liked the meat he sold and I was always buying chicken on sale. Of course we would talk as we both love to talk.

I had been praying for him and was saddened to hear of his death. His wife and family are in my prayers.

**kathy mcclure** - November 23, 2020 at 08:18 PM



“ John was a true pillar of the community and a man who helped OUR family many years ago when we/I needed help. His service is at 1PM this Friday at the Old Washington Cemetery. I hope that our family and friends can take the time to show there respects to a man that meant so much to so many!

**Dan** - November 24, 2020 at 10:27 AM