



John Robert Goehler

March 10, 1943 - July 26, 2022

John Robert Goehler was born in St. Louis, MO on May 10, 1943, to Norman W. and Helen L. (nee Nix) Goehler. On Palm Sunday in 1957, he was baptized and confirmed his faith at Mt. Olive Lutheran. He attended Long and McCantry Elementary Schools and Roosevelt High School.

John was a proud private of the USMC entering boot camp in August 1963 and discharging honorably in Nov 1968. He graduated from the STL Police Academy in 1973 and was a police officer in Maplewood and Brentwood until January 1976. He held many titles throughout his life including auto parts manager, registered funeral director (1981-1988), notary public(1984-1992), and security guard for multiple locations of the St. Louis Public School Board of Education until his retirement in June 2005.

John loved to assist people who needed help & being part of a bigger group. He was a member of multiple organizations and clubs including the Oakville Elks & Order of Quetzalcoatl. Merry Mac's Square Club whose motto is "Crown thy good with brotherhood" and where he was crowned president in 1995. The Moolah Temple Guides Unit where he was secretary and eventually president in 2001 of the South County Shrine Club, played the trumpet in the Drum & Bugle Corp, and loved to drive the miniature race car in the annual parade. And The Algabil-Freedom Lodge where he was honored for over 25 years of service as a Master Mason in October 2014. He coached softball teams and was on a bowling team for over 10 years. He became a black belt in karate and was a student of other martial arts. He enjoyed camping &

fishing out on the lake in his boat.

In July 1985 he married JoAnn Kay Powell who enjoyed being at his side for all the club events and various trips that they took together. They built a new home together where they adopted and loved several puppies and never stopped redecorating.

John passed away peacefully in his home on Tuesday, July 26th, 2022 with his brother Norlen by his side.

He is survived by his ex-wife and mother of his two daughters; Aileen Nazzoli (nee Heiderschied), his daughters; Christine (John) Leinicke and Jennifer (Tom) Dopuch, grandchildren; Alex, Emily, and Nick, and great-grandchildren; Serena, Marshall, and Dean. John is also survived by his sister; Charlene (Tom) Stabbs, brother: Gregg (Lori) Goehler, and brother: Norlen Goehler who was a live-in caregiver to John during his last years. He will be remembered as a great uncle, cousin, and friend.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife of more than 25 years, JoAnn (nee Powell).

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Peace Lutheran Church, The Shriners or your favorite charity.

Visitation with the family will be held on Wednesday, August 10, 2022, from 9:30-10:30 am at Peace Lutheran Church, 737 Barracksview Road, 63125 with a memorial service to follow.

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John is entombed next to his wife JoAnn at Hillcrest Abbey Mausoleum.

Cemetery Details

Valhalla's Hillcrest Abbey

3211 Sublette Ave
St Louis, MO 63139
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Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 10. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Peace Lutheran Church
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St. Louis, MO 63125
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Deepest sympathy to Christine and family. Love & Prayers, Julia Renaud* ”

Julia Renaud - August 06, 2022 at 07:18 AM