



John J. "Smoke" Marckel

March 9, 1949 - November 14, 2020

John J. "Smoke" Marckel, 71, passed away peacefully in his home surrounded by his family on Saturday, November 14, 2020. He was born in Toledo, OH on March 9, 1949, and grew up in the South End. He attended Macomber High School, graduating in 1967. He served honorably as a Navy Seabee from 1967 to 1971, in the Vietnam War. During his lifetime he worked as a carpenter, cabinetmaker, and a proud 25 year UAW member at GM Powertrain. He loved fishing, building things with his hands, playing cards, and spoiling his grandchildren every moment he could.

John is survived by his loving wife, Carol, whom he met and fell in love with at the Peppermint Lounge in 1968. They married May 8, 1971. Surviving also are his children, Greg (Christy) and Kelly (Keith) Bitter; grandchildren, Jacob, Ethan, Chase, and Siena; and his brother, Roger (JoAnne) Marckel.

He was preceded in death by his parents Charles and Alta; brothers and sisters, Justin (Helen), Gene (Sally), Geraldine Uhlich, Violet Lager, Tom, Joan (Jim) Webb, Wayne (Terri), Larry (Betty), Linda Beamer, Ann (Eddie) Mickel, and Steve (Shirley).

A graveside service will be held at Ottawa Hills Memorial Park on Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor Melissa Steinecker officiating and Lambertville VFW Post 9656, will conduct military honors. Those planning

to attend should arrive 15 minutes early Facial coverings and social distancing will be required.

Due to current conditions caused by the ongoing pandemic, we are offering a Live Stream of the Graveside Service beginning at 11:00am for those who wish to attend the Service virtually.

To attend the video of John's Graveside Service, please click here (<https://vimeo.com/486874590/3b8f043092>).

Thank you to ProMedica Hospice and his nurse Nancy for their kind services and encouragement.

In lieu of flowers, the family would like you to consider making a donation to Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 4030 Douglas Road, Toledo, OH 43613. Ansberg-West Funeral Home (419) 472-7633 is assisting the family.

Cemetery Details

Ottawa Hills Memorial Park

4210 Central Ave
Toledo, OH 43606

Previous Events

Graveside Service

NOV 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

TC

“ I worked with John for many years at Powertrain. Will be missed
Tom Crawford

thomas crawford - November 20, 2020 at 09:40 PM

WB

“ WILLIAM BOWSER lit a candle in memory of
John J. "Smoke" Marckel



WILLIAM BOWSER - November 19, 2020 at 08:50 PM

JM

“ Carol & family, we are so sorry to hear of
John's passing.I will remember all the good
times we had at work,with all the bantering
back & forth!!! John was a great person to
work with,always cutting up, but always
getting the job done! John's spirit will always live on through our
memories , rest in peace my friend. Jerry & Kay Moore



Jerry Moore - November 19, 2020 at 06:41 PM

MV

“ Carol and family, I am so sad and sorry we could not attend the
service for John. Robert and I are sending our Love and Prayers to
the entire family. John meant a lot to the Mendoza family, we will
miss his sweet smile, kindness and most of all his friendly way.
Always polite and so easy going. Carol If we can be of assistance
please don't hesitate to ask. We will never forget... love you both!

Maria & Robert Villagomez - November 19, 2020 at 11:52 AM

TW

“ Another Brock Dr. neighbor gone too soon. May you rest in peace and celebrate your homecoming with all your former neighbors John. Prayers for Carol and the rest of the Marckel family. Tina, Tracy Kim and Jim (Posadnys)



Tina wiley - November 19, 2020 at 11:42 AM

NW

“ Nate And Lisa Wild lit a candle in memory of John J. "Smoke" Marckel



Nate and Lisa Wild - November 19, 2020 at 10:47 AM

CR

“ Courtney Reiser lit a candle in memory of John J. "Smoke" Marckel



Courtney Reiser - November 19, 2020 at 10:34 AM

CR

So many fond memories, from Lake Erie boat trips, family card games, your carpeted van, and all those times the Wolverines flushed the Buckeyes. :) RIP Uncle John. You are loved and missed!

Courtney Reiser - November 19, 2020 at 10:38 AM

MP

“ MARGARET PARKER lit a candle in memory of John J. "Smoke" Marckel



MARGARET PARKER - November 19, 2020 at 10:14 AM

MP

I only knew John for a short time, but never failed to make me laugh. I will truly miss him, but I know he's alright now. Rest well my friend!!!

MARGARET PARKER - November 19, 2020 at 10:21 AM

MM

“ So many memories of John and Carol! Blessed to have had this family in my life! Thanks John for putting up with me all those years... standing on your porch, knocking on the window... begging to visit and babysit. Thanks for walking me home after babysitting, even though I insisted that I could just "run" home quickly with you watching from your porch. RIP John ~

Missy Lambillotte Masella - November 17, 2020 at 06:54 PM

SM

Thank you for the many great memories Uncle John. Early Saturday morning fishing with you and dad (me getting seasick most of those days). You endlessly throwing the tennis ball down the stairs for Buttons. Watching the Browns lose in the back room. Playing Twit (or Twitt depending on who was losing). For those of you who don't know, that was uncle John's version of the basketball game Horse. You are greatly missed Uncle John. Now go play some euchre with your brothers and sisters who've gone before you!

Stephanie Marckel - November 19, 2020 at 09:15 AM

KS

*R.I.P. John. A dear brother-in-law but always much more like a brother.
Sorely missed love you, my brother.*

ken stapleton - November 20, 2020 at 10:40 AM