



John E. Lukach

August 25, 1947 - August 25, 2013

John E. Lukach, 66, of West Hartford, passed away Sunday August 25, 2013 at his home, after a long and courageous battle with pancreatic cancer.

He was born in Hartford on August 30, 1946 to the late Frank and Astrid (Johnson) Lukach.

John worked for C L & P, a division of Northeast Utilities, in the underground department as a heavy equipment operator for 35 years. He proudly served his country stateside for six years as a member of an Army Reserve medical unit during the Vietnam war era. His most cherished memories were the summers he spent with his family and friends camping at Hammonasset State Park. He was an avid gardener and took great pride in his vegetable and flower gardens. He also enjoyed boating and fishing, spending many summers in Niantic and Rhode Island. Another hobby of his was restoring old cars; he spent several years meticulously restoring his 1930 Model A Ford and 1955 Chevy. John will be deeply missed and forever loved by his best friend and life partner Margaret Murphy of Plainville. He will also be missed and loved by his two sons, Dustin Lukach of Dunkirk New York, his wife Marcie and their sons Adam and Owen; two little boys who made him a very proud and happy grandpa; and his son John Lukach Jr. of Alexandria VA. John was recently predeceased by his brother Robert Lukach of Farmington who was survived by his wife Joan Lukach and Robert 's sons William and Jason Lukach of Farmington. He also leaves his brother Thomas Lukach and his wife Lynn of Manchester and their two children Kristen and Jeffrey Lukach. He all leaves several step-nieces and nephews. We want to thank Johns special caregivers Jennifer, Linda, and Anna and all of the hospice staff at Masonicare for all of their help and guidance especially his nurse Heidi a true angel on earth. A funeral service will be held on Friday September 6, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home 136 South Main St. West Hartford. A calling hour will be held from 10:00 to 11:00 on Friday prior to the service. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to the American Diabetes Association 2080 Silas Deane Highway 2nd floor Rocky Hill, CT. 06067. For online condolences and directions please visit www.taylorandmodeen.com

Comments



“ To All John's loved ones.....I will always smile thinking of him and his funny stories....and will miss seeing him outside in his back yard or garage just taking in the day.....may your memories take you to a happy place....Paula Cornell

A friend - September 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I knew John since we were 15 - 16 years old. Both Elmwood boys and Beach camping buddies. He was a good friend and always there for you. Rest well my friend

Michael Konopka - West Hartford, CT - Friend - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ To the family and friends of John...I enjoyed many good years as friend and neighbor of John's on Fairfax...each day was never complete until we sat outside for a good chat..He fought bravely and I shall miss him very much.

Stephen Fernino - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ There are very few people in this world like John. If you were John's friend, you were friends for life. John was a good friend of my brother, Dennis. Dennis had a terrible accident in 1989 and John is the only person that remained friends with Dennis all these years. Dennis considers John to be his brother. John will be in our mind and hearts forever. Take care John, you will surely be missed. Mike & Pat Starace

Pat Starace - Newington, CT - Friend - September 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to John's family. I was one of his co-workers at CL&P for many years.

Frank Antaya - Wethersfield, CT - co-worker - September 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Dustin and Marcie, We are so sorry for your loss. Your Dad loved you both and your boys. Be happy for the times you spent with him.

Janice and Karl Sentivany - Coventry, CT - September 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I grew up with the Lukach family at Meigs Point, Hammonasset in the 50's and 60's. John was 5 years older than I but remember him as a flashy guy with with quick sense of humor and a recollection that he may have been a good dancer. Also fond memories of his father Frank being a great auctioneer at campground events on the weekend. I will always remember the Lukach's camping at the end of what was called "C" street up by a large triangular boulder..
Rest in peace, my Hammonasset friend.

Jeff Barke - Thompson, CT - acquaintance - September 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Tom I was sorry to learn that your brother John has passed away. My condolences to you and the entire family.

Sebastian Camilleri - Goodyear, AZ - September 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ In my HPHS '64 yearbook, John (whom we called "Stuffie") wrote, "Best wishes for the future,...I plan to have a good one!" and it seems that he did. My heartfelt sympathy on his passing.

Nancy Gorman Hatcher - Fresno, CA - September 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your lost. Please accept my condolences. I will pray for your family.
Liz Albers Humbert

Elizabeth Humbert - Yuma, AZ - September 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM