



John Joseph Thompson

April 12, 1929 - May 8, 2017

John Joseph Thompson, of Southport, NC, passed away on May 8, 2017. He was born in NYC, April 12, 1929, to John Joseph Bernard Thompson and Anna Harrington. He attended Bayside High School and graduated from Columbia University, after serving in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Surviving John, is his loving wife of 34 years, Joanne Hennessy Thompson, sister-in-law Paula T. Hennessy and nephew Evan Hennessy Yunck, of Albany, NY; daughters: Cathleen Thompson, of NYC ; Susan Giblin, of Binghamton, NY; Elizabeth, of Scotia, NY; Megan Thompson McGiboney and husband Dennis, of Reno, Nevada; Mary Clare Fischer and husband Eric, of Scotia, NY.; sons J. Jeffery Thompson and wife Kata Butterfield, of Colorado; Peter Thompson and wife Dianna, of Helena, MT; and Joseph Thompson and wife Marilyn, of Schaghticoke, NY. He is predeceased by his beloved son, Gregory Thompson. He is also survived by many loving grandchildren, great-grandchildren, godchildren, and devoted friends.

John led a varied and colorful life...owning a restaurant on Long Island, serving as Deputy Commissioner in Binghamton, NY, working in housing, financing and urban development for State of New York Mortgage Agency, in Albany and Buffalo, NYS Urban Development, Monde International, and Montreal, Canada. He was instrumental in the revitalization of the historical Steuben Building, in Albany, NY with Smith & Mahoney. John was also a 4th

degree Knight of Columbus, at Sacred Heart Church.

A charming Irishman with a quick wit and a story, John loved and was loved by many. John loved hockey, playing even until he was 65. He was an avid outdoors man enjoying hunting, fishing and particularly boating. His trawler the Joanna T was the source of much joy and adventures up and down the Intercoastal Waterway. Upon retiring, he moved to the Oak Island/Southport area to enjoy life at the beach. "Another rotten day in Paradise" he would often say. His keen sense of direction always got him where he wanted to go and now it has brought him home.

The family wishes to thank Lower Cape Fear Hospice for its kindness in providing a loving end to his journey. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to SECU Hospice House of Brunswick, 955 Mercy Lane SE, Bolivia, NC 28422.

A celebration of life mass will be held at Sacred Heart Church, in Southport, on May 25, 2017, at 11 a.m.

Tribute Wall

TP

“ Dear Joanne:
Just heard from Wanda about John's passing. I am so sorry for your loss. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. Just from my few encounters with him, I thought he was a wonderful man. I always enjoyed our visits. Hope to see you soon. May God's peace and love surround you and comfort you.

Teresa Pitman

Teresa Pitman - May 11, 2017 at 08:22 AM

MK

“ Dear Joanne,
Everything I heard about John showed that he was a remarkable man. I'm so sorry for your loss.
Martha Kilbourn

Martha Kilbourn - May 11, 2017 at 07:59 AM

ML

“ So saddened at the loss of this wonderful man. My prayers and thoughts are with Jo and the family.

Maureen "Rene" Lundberg - May 11, 2017 at 06:51 AM

KE

“ We have lost an amazing man and friend. John was the godfather to my daughter Katie, God couldn't have send me a better man. I'm so sorry Joanne for your loss, my heart just aches. My family and I are grateful to have been part of his life. We love you always ❤️

kelly - May 10, 2017 at 09:25 PM

TO

“ *Joanne,
So saddened to hear about John's passing. We will surely miss him.
Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.
Tom McAndrews*

Tom - May 10, 2017 at 06:57 PM

MW

“ *Keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.*

Mike and Staffie Webster - May 10, 2017 at 05:49 PM

VI

“ *Joanne, we are saddened to hear of John's passing. Our hearts are open to you and your family as we hold you in our thoughts and meditations. John was such a fine gentleman, and the love you share is everlasting. May peace be with you.
Vikki and Jim Howard.*

Vikki - May 10, 2017 at 05:13 PM

JB

“ *Joanne, so sorry to hear of John's passing. I certainly never got to know him as well as I did you but the smile on your face when you spoke of him and the sparkle in your eye when I saw the two of you together speaks volumes of the love you shared. Take solace in remembering the wonderful years you had together. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Jim

Jim Bower - May 10, 2017 at 03:47 PM



“ *John, we didn't get to see you much, but we loved you much!!!! Our thoughts and prayers go out to his loving family and all who knew him, especially our friends, Joanne, Paula and Judy and families.*

*Love,
Mike and Dee*

Darleen Taylor - May 10, 2017 at 03:04 PM



“ *What a wonderful man John Thompson was! He was kind, talented, funny and loving to his family and friends.*

I am grateful to have been part of his Albany connection-

Sending much love to Joanne and all who loved John.

Margaret King - May 10, 2017 at 02:51 PM



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Coastal Cremations Direct - May 09, 2017 at 02:59 PM