



John Robert Owen

May 21, 1945 - October 17, 2024

John Robert Owen, 79 years of age, of Peebles, Ohio, passed away on Thursday, October 17, 2024, at the Adams County Regional Medical Center, in Seaman, Ohio.

John was born on May 21, 1945, in Phoenix, Arizona, the son of the late Robert and Mary (Lowe) Owen. After serving his country in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam conflict, John worked as a broadcast engineer. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Masonic Lodge in Columbus, Ohio, as well as the National Rifle Association. He was also a member of Valley of Columbus Sunrise Valley Lodge 783, the Scottish Right 32nd Degree Masons, and the Free and Accepted Masons of Morrow Ohio Lodge 265. He belonged to the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers (SMPTE) and he served as president of the Ohio Chapter 52 of the Society of Broadcast Engineers.

In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by his brother, Robert K Owen. He is survived by his wife, Ann Wingert Owen, and his three daughters, Janel (Nick) Hartmann, of Morrow, Ohio; Kris (Jerry) Garrett, of Sardinia; and Kara (Dave) Varwig, of Lebanon, Ohio. John will be missed by his four grandchildren.

John's family is planning a memorial service for a later date.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home. Please visit us at www.wallacethompsonfuneralhomes.com to leave words of comfort for the family in our online guest book.

Tribute Wall

MS

“ As a former Merchant Marine Officer and Coast Guard Captain, I'll never forget the day in the Chief Engineer's office at WTVN-TV where I was interviewing for a position in the department I met John. As he stood up he said "I fly airplanes" and I said "well I pilot boats", he looked at me for a minute and said "well I guess there's not much difference". I started work the next week!

Much respect for this man, may you rest in peace.

Mark Seekins - October 31, 2024 at 10:14 PM

JH

“ My heartfelt condolences go out to your family. I have been lifelong friends with Janel and have many fond memories of going to Ann and Robert's home as a child and young adult. From Westerville, OH to Morrow, OH...Some of my best times were spent with the Owen family where I was always treated with love and kindness. I remember how happy John was at Janel's wedding, and how proud he was of his girls. I am deeply saddened to hear of John's sudden passing. My thoughts are with you all at this difficult time.

Jennifer Hansen - October 24, 2024 at 03:38 PM

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Jennifer Hansen - October 24, 2024 at 03:40 PM

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Tony zummallen - October 21, 2024 at 04:21 PM

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“ *Ann and family, we send our deepest condolences on your loss.*

Dave and Sue Donohoe



Susan O Donohoe - October 19, 2024 at 02:42 PM

JB

“ My heart is heavy with grief as I know Ann, Janel, Kris and Cara's are as well. Johnny was my favorite cousin!! He was everyone's favorite person!! We grew up with fathers whose sense of humor was a tad off and that tradition was passed on generation after generation. I know the Owen girls' were subject to the best prankster and storyteller that ever lived. We always had great catch-up conversations, the last being a couple of months ago, as we went over the Owen and Roger genealogy. From Warren Owen to Kingston Delaware to Oliver Hazzard Perry. He knew it all and we wanted to plan a day for us to all visit when it wasn't 98 degrees out. I am so happy that my sister Jill and I shared that conversation with him, we never expected it to be our last, no one ever does. Life goes by so quickly. I know you Owen girls miss him already. Stay strong!! It's hard to lose the rock of the family. Please know that you are in my thoughts and as our family thinks about the funny Johnny stories we are going to write them down and send them to you. A wonderful man left us and I hope he is having a great reunion with Uncle Bob and Aunt Mary, Robbie and my Dad. All my love to my cousins. Jane Owen Boehm

Jane Owen Boehm - October 18, 2024 at 03:31 PM