



John E. Byler

November 23, 2015

John E. Byler, 69, of Lancaster, PA, died unexpectedly on Sunday, November 22, 2015 at the Lancaster General Hospital. Born and raised in Smyrna, Delaware, he was the son of the late Ervin Byler and Emma Stoltzfus Byler of Lancaster, PA

He was married forty years to the late Judy A. Byler who died November 22, 2011. John is survived by his two children: son Jonathan Leffler Byler, of Lititz, married to Kathryn, grandchildren Victoria and Justin Byler and daughter Julie Ann, married to Joshua White of Peach Bottom, PA, fiancée, Heather Rineer of Lancaster. Also surviving are his brothers: Roman, Rudy and David Byler, his sisters: Rachel Byler and Barbara Martin, and many loving nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his brothers: Ervin, Jr. and Simon Byler, two sisters: Lydia Byler and Martha Bell.

John was a dedicated member of Westminster Presbyterian Church and held a strong faith throughout his life. He was a lifelong outdoorsman and big game hunter. He traveled the world which included trips to Alaska, Africa, Canada, New Zealand and Australia. Not only did he enjoy hunting, but breeding and raising animals as well. His favorite was hunting whitetail deer with his friends and family on the Eastern Shore in Maryland.

He was a successful business man, starting in construction, becoming a key

owner in Carlos R. Leffler, Inc. and ABE Oil and later worked hand in hand with his son in many business and real estate ventures.

John was dedicated to loving and supporting his family. He spent countless summers together with his family in Stone Harbor, NJ. He loved taking his family on travels around the world. He was an avid golfer, a huge Indianapolis Colts and St. Louis Cardinals fan as well as a farm boy at heart. One of his greatest joys was watching his grandchildren play sports. John was a dedicated member of his community. He was an extremely generous man who set an example for others to follow. His gifts were too many to mention. His most recent philanthropic interests were The American Heart Association of Lancaster, Cancer Society of Lancaster, Lebanon Hospital and many other local charitable organizations.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to John's Funeral Service at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2151 Oregon Pike, Lancaster on Saturday, November 28, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. with The Rev. Dr. Michael A. Rogers officiating. A Memorial Viewing will be held at The Groffs Family Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc., 528 W. Orange Street (at the corner of Orange & Pine Sts), Lancaster on Friday evening from 6-9:00 p.m. John will be laid to rest at Richland Cemetery, 215 South Race Street, Richland, PA, Lebanon County. Memorials may be made in honor of John's memory to any of the previously mentioned charitable organizations.

Tribute Wall



“ *John E. Byler*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Jonathan and family,*

I was shocked and saddened to hear about your father's passing. He was such a kind and soft spoken man. He will be missed by many in the Lancaster community for his smile and generosity. My deepest sympathies and condolences to the Byler family.

*Bill Kepler
Fulton Bank*

Bill Kepler - November 28, 2015 at 10:42 AM



“ *Dear Byler family,*

We are so sorry to hear about your loss. Through this tough time, just reflect on what a great father he was and what an amazing family he built! Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you!

Sincerely,

Jeff Wood and family

Jeff Wood - November 28, 2015 at 06:53 AM

DA

“ We are saddened to hear of John's passing. His friendship will never be forgotten, and he will live on in all of his kind deeds. May you forever find comfort in your memories.

*David Frew
Frew Bros Inc.*

Dave - November 27, 2015 at 07:16 PM

SH

“ Julie & Josh
Peace to your dad.
May you have peace in knowing your dad is home with God!
We are sorry for your loss.

Sue and Craig Hershey

Sue and Craig Hershey - November 27, 2015 at 01:59 PM

BF

“ Condolences to John's family, may God, family and friends comfort you during this difficult time.

Blecker Family - November 25, 2015 at 01:05 PM

PS

“ We are so very sorry to hear of John's death. Sending our deepest sympathies and condolences to the family. He will be remembered for his kindness and generosity to others.

Our Love and Blessings, Perri and Ray Shanaman

Perri and Ray Shanaman - November 25, 2015 at 11:43 AM

LA

“ I am shocked and saddened to learn of your fathers passing. Living so close by we always appreciated the kind nature of your family, John will be very missed. Our deepest condolences.

Lisa Armellino - November 25, 2015 at 08:16 AM

HH

“ Dear Jonathan & Julie,

We are deeply saddened to hear about your dads passing, please know you are in our thought and prayers as you go through these hard times.

We remember John well from MT midget football and also having a drink with him here and there.

God Bless,

Coach Herb Hohman and Brenda Bender Hohman

Herb & Brenda Hohman - November 25, 2015 at 07:12 AM

DC

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you, we are so sorry for your loss. John was an easy man to love with a huge heart. He helped make the world a better place. Love to all of you.
~ David & Lynda Charles

David & Lynda Charles - November 24, 2015 at 05:00 PM

RW

“ Condolences and prayers to family, friends, and relatives to comfort the loss. John will be missed terribly but God has a way of providing us with hope. We are blessed that John left two wonderful children to make the world a better place.

Russ & nancy white - November 24, 2015 at 01:34 PM

RW

“ Condolences to the byler family and friends. John will be missed. I am so thankful he gave us children that are so special. Prayers and thoughts to everyone in a time of need.

Russ & nancy white - November 24, 2015 at 01:26 PM

LK

“ Our sincere condolences from the kings ELI AND LYDIANN...AND OUR WHOLE FAMILY. you are in our prayers

Lydiann king - November 24, 2015 at 10:55 AM