



John Paul Ackroyd

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Big Rapids - John Paul Ackroyd, 64, of Big Rapids, went to be with the Lord, Monday, April 5, 2021.

He was born November 21, 1956, in New Orleans, LA, the son of Earl and JoAnne (Wilcox) Ackroyd, and graduated from Annapolis High School in Dearborn Heights, MI in 1975.

On May 21, 1983, John married Laurie Jo, who preceded him in death on July 27, 2001. In 2009, he moved to Big Rapids, where he has lived since. John was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Morley, and greatly enjoyed cooking for church events.

Amongst his various occupations, John's favorite was transporting patients to their medical appointments. He had a passion for helping others, and in his spare time he liked to fish. John was also a member of the Detroit Theatre Organ Club.

John is survived by his children, Paula JoAnne Ackroyd, Matthew James Ackroyd, and Andrew Joshua (Diana) Ackroyd, all of PA; his sister Ruth Anne (Dean) Grove of York, PA; his brother James (Karen) Ackroyd of Big Rapids; and many grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A celebration of John's life will begin at 5:00 p.m., Thursday, April 8, 2021 at the pavilion in Hemlock Park in Big Rapids. His remains will be laid to rest in the family lot in Lakemont Cemetery in Dundee, NY. Memorial contributions in his name may be made for the First Baptist Church of Morley. Care and arrangements are entrusted to the Mohnke Funeral Home in Big Rapids. Share a memory or express condolences at mohnkefuneralhome.com



Tribute Wall

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PK

Paula Kendrick posted:

My father was a special person and sometimes difficult but had a great heart for people and making sure everyone around him was ok. If there was anything he could do to help he would. He wanted everyone to know he was a Christian and they could be to he w

April 9 at 8:00 PM

JS

Jeffrey Spear posted:

I was grateful to reconnect with John over Facebook. We went to school together in New York State before he moved to Michigan. A real man of faith. May God comfort his family as they grieve this loss.

April 8 at 8:00 PM

MG

Marissa Kline-Gonzales posted:

This family I've know for along time. Mr. Ackroyd was a good man. He will be missed.

April 7 at 8:00 PM

DN

Doug, Lisa, Abigail, And Elizabeth Nispel posted:

John will certainly be missed. Praying for all of the family. We will see you in Glory, John!

April 6 at 8:00 PM

LO

Linda Orwig posted:

John you will be greatly missed. Such a kind person. It was a pleasure working with you years ago and talking with you briefly a couple of weeks ago. Brought back a lot of good memories. Rest In Peace.

April 5 at 8:00 PM

DA

Diana Ackroyd lit a candle in honor of John.

I can't believe you are gone. I just want to call you up and tell you about my day. Tell you all about the house, listen to your advice and have you ask me if the kids are ready for pizza. I'm so scared to tell them that you are gone. I'm so h

April 5 at 8:00 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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