



John Sullivan Brennan Sr.

July 12, 1952 - August 28, 2022

John Sullivan Brennan, Sr., a resident of the Backside Beaverdam and Bluewater communities, died at his home on August 28, 2022. He was born on July 12, 1952 in Chicago, Illinois to Thomas V.J. Brennan and Helen M. Brennan, who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by a sister, Mary Dailey, and a brother, Lee James Brennan. He is survived by three children, Helen Virginia Oushana, John Sullivan Brennan, Jr., and Conor James Brennan, as well as by the following grandchildren: Mia Melchior, Olive Oushana, Cash Oushana, and Colt Oushana; Reilly Brennan, Reagan Brennan, Calvin Brennan, and Rowan Brennan. He is also survived by his brother, Kenneth E. Duffy, his sister Virginia M. Brennan, and his twin brother, Christopher Luke Brennan (John's elder by two minutes). John leaves behind his faithful dogs (Cuey, Ace, and Boru), two horses, and two cats (who have asked to remain anonymous).

John was a National Merit Scholar at St. Ignatius College Preparatory School in Chicago. He graduated with Honors from Northwestern University in 1974, majoring in English Literature and minoring in Greek and Latin. He graduated summa cum laude with an M.B.A. from the Lake Forest University Graduate School of Management. He was employed by Levi Strauss and Company for many years, and more recently, by Nashville State Community College (where he was an adjunct professor), Lowe's, Fred's, and Tractor Supply. After retirement, he gave as his vocation "nemophilist." (You'll have to look that up.)

He was active in the Hickman Country Humane Society, the Clay Harris Theatre, the Lion's Club, the Garden Club (where he served as Senior Vice-President), and the Hickman County Democratic Party. John was a good neighbor, a devoted friend, father, and grandfather, a brilliant thinker, an avid reader, an animal lover, and a true child of nature. He will be missed by his family and his many friends.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorial donations to the Hickman County Humane Society.

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

SEP 2. 3:00 PM (cst)

River Front Park
142 N Central Ave
Centerville, TN 37033

Tribute Wall

VH

“ John and I went to Northwestern together. He was a writer/poet. One bleak Sunday morning we talked for hours sitting on a stoop at the quads. Then he sent me a love letter (or was it a poem?) - about longing and what could have been. It was quintessential John, an Irishman with a glass half empty. I kept it for decades. We ran into each other decades later and reconnected for just another moment in time. Rest in peace, my friend,

Valerie Holton - July 05, 2023 at 06:27 PM

SK

“ John and I worked together at Lowe's for many years. We would have some very deep conversations and then he would get me laughing. He was also one of the most intelligent people I know! I will miss him...

Shirley Kommersmith - September 02, 2022 at 08:29 PM

JJ

“ Met John for the first time when working at Fred's and he became my boss. We came really good friends and kept in touch throughout the years. He was an inspiration for sure. He was one I could count on if I needed help or advice. When I got married 5 yrs ago, he was right there. He will be greatly missed and will always have a place in my heart. Love you John and rest easy.

Jennifer Jewell - September 02, 2022 at 04:26 PM



“ *Bea Jobe lit a candle in memory of John Sullivan Brennan Sr.*



Bea Jobe - September 02, 2022 at 03:46 PM

BS

“ *John was one of a kind. Good person who loved his animals. Could be very serious one minute and making jokes the next. Was a joy to work with.*



Brenda Rodgers Scott - September 02, 2022 at 01:57 PM

LH

“ *Loretta Chessor Harrington lit a candle in memory of John Sullivan Brennan Sr.*



Loretta Chessor Harrington - September 02, 2022 at 01:10 PM

SJ

“ *John was a big help to me when he worked for Lowes We did not know each other and he made things right. When I brought him a 12 pack of "Old Style" to thank him we became friends. He will much missed by all that knew him.*

Steven Johnson - September 02, 2022 at 08:03 AM

CS

“ Charlotte Staggs sent a virtual gift in memory of John Sullivan Brennan Sr.



Charlotte Staggs - September 02, 2022 at 01:25 AM



“ Beneta Gilley lit a candle in memory of John Sullivan Brennan Sr.



Beneta Gilley - September 01, 2022 at 10:23 PM

Jane Gilbert

“ Centerville Garden Club will miss you John! And so will I.



Jane Gilbert - September 01, 2022 at 10:09 PM

MM

“ I will never forget his kindness towards me each time we met.



Makayla Mensel - September 01, 2022 at 12:19 PM

TH

“ Terry June Hall lit a candle in memory of John Sullivan Brennan Sr.



Terry June Hall - September 01, 2022 at 11:32 AM

VF

“ John was a good friend for 20 years he will be missed by all

VINCENT FINOCCHIO - September 01, 2022 at 11:30 AM

RG

“ Ronald Gammons lit a candle in memory of John Sullivan Brennan Sr.



Ronald Gammons - September 01, 2022 at 11:21 AM

KH

“ Kolette Herbison lit a candle in memory of John Sullivan Brennan Sr.



Kolette Herbison - September 01, 2022 at 06:46 AM



“ *Betty Love lit a candle in memory of John Sullivan Brennan Sr.*



Betty Love - August 31, 2022 at 07:25 PM



“ *Joyce Mayberry lit a candle in memory of John Sullivan Brennan Sr.*



Joyce Mayberry - August 31, 2022 at 06:28 PM