



John E. Hollis

January 04, 2019

John Edward Hollis, 77, of East Hartford passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family on the 4th of January 2019. John leaves his wife and best friend Lori Jean Hollis. He was born in Providence, RI and resided in Riverside, RI until moving to East Hartford, CT in 1954. John proudly served in the US Navy aboard the USS Essex CVS-9 during the Cuban Missile Crisis. He was awarded several National Defense Service Medals for his honorable service during his military career. John retired from Hartford Distributors where he served as the Teamster President of Local 1035. He served his community and was on the East Hartford Board of Education and also served on board for the United Way. He also owned Cash Can redemption centers. John was a lobbyist and helped to change many laws for the working man. John was honored to serve in many capacities for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, a life member of the VFW post 2083 achieving the role of 2012-2013 STATE COMMANDER Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Connecticut.

John was a wonderful and caring dad to his children, John Jr., Frederick Hollis, Michael and his wife KC Hollis, Jessica and Latroy Dale, Kim and Mark Mcaninch, Bobbie and Pauline, and Jeffrey Caplinger.

He also leaves his beloved grandchildren, 1 great-granddaughters, and many nieces and nephews. John loved his cigars and cigar buddies. His favorite past time was golf.

Besides his parents he was predeceased by his brothers, Frederick J. Hollis and Gerald C. Hollis. John will be sorely missed by his sisters Barbara and Ed Dettore, Debbie Rutledge, and Claire and Tom Rathbun.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Celebration of Life at the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center Street, Manchester, CT 06040 on Thursday January, 10th from 5-8 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday January 11th at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Peace, 370 May Road, East Hartford, CT 06118. Immediately following the Mass, a graveside service with military honors for John will be held at Silver Lane Cemetery, 1280 Silver Lane, East Hartford, CT 06118. For online condolences, please visit www.tierneyfuneralhome.com.

Calling Hours

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Thursday, January 10, 2019

John F. Tierney Funeral Home
219 West Center Street
Manchester, Connecticut, United States
06040

Mass of Christian Burial

11:00 am Friday, January 11, 2019

Our Lady of Peace
370 May Rd
East Hartford, Connecticut, United States
06118

Burial With Full Military Honors

12:15 pm Friday, January 11, 2019

Silver Lane Cemetery
Silver lane
East Hartford, Connecticut, United States
06108

Tribute Wall

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John F Tierney Funeral Home



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Tom Renison

Dear Lori and family. John was a great man! I'll miss playing golf with him and the many great times we had together! I just found out about his passing so I'm sorry I missed the funeral!

S

Stephen Merrick

Lori and family, I'm sorry to hear of John's passing. Unfortunately I was not able to get to the services or I would have been there. My condolences to you all. Steve Merrick

M

Martha & Mike Vassallo

Lori, Barb, Claire and all the rest of this wonderful loving family. Mike and I are so sorry to hear of John's passing. He was such a great man and we all loved him! He could light up a room with his presence and always made sure to include everyone in everything! He will be long remembered and missed. We will keep you and the family in our prayers. We send our deepest sympathy and much love to you all.

A

Alexis Mattia

Uncle John, you were a man who could fill up any room with your smile and laughter. You could keep us entertained for hours with your stories. You always had the ability to come up with witty comebacks for any conversation. You always encouraged me to do my best and never settle for less than I deserve. You had one of the biggest hearts and cared so much for others. Holidays won't be the same without you. I am grateful for the time we spent together, and the laughter we shared.

K

Kathleen (Hobbs) Cropper & Family

Lori and Family, My dad and I were very sorry to hear of John's passing. He was a wonderful neighbor and a lovely man. You are all in our prayers.

S Suzanne Kaluszka Repass

I always loved Uncle John. I feel like he went out of his way to make people feel liked, comfortable and appreciated. Or... maybe that was just his personality, naturally. Such a kind and respected person, I am so honored to have known him and stood in his presence. He will be dearly missed... Peace, lots of hugs, and comfort to his family and friends.

J Jeff Trombly

My condolences to John's family. I was very sad to hear of his passing. I have known John my whole life and he was a great person.

H Heather Marques

Mr. Hollis it was an honor to know you. The few times I did see you, you always had me laughing. You have left fond memories with every life you touched. R.I.P. To the family I do know and don't know, you have my deepest sympathies.

R Rob Everett

Fair winds and following seas! Thoughts and prayers go out to the Hollis Family. R. Everett, President, Life Member, VFW Aux. 5791 Adjutant/Finance Officer SAL Sqdr. 48 Life Member, Sons of AMVETS Fire Marshal, United States Naval Shipbuilding Museum (ex USS Salem CA-139) Steward, IBT Local 633

A austin 'ozzie' stack

My condolences John was a good guy and a friend and help Franklin Dist. I'll miss his wit and help OZZIE

E Ernest and Ann Tupper

Please know that Ernie and I are thinking of you and your family during this very sad time. We have many fond memories of John as a friend and family member. I still love to hear Ernie tell 'John' stories from the old days of HDI. Our love and thoughts are with you. Ann & Ernie

P Pete Susca

I was sad to hear the news of John's passing. He was a good friend and always willing to help others. My very best wishes to Lori and the family during this diffi- cult time.

J

Jim and Kathy

We will always remember John's fun-loving ways and enjoyable visits we shared. John's great personality and friendship will be missed.

E

Ed Dettore

I am blessed to have had men like my father, Grandpa Fred, and uncles Fred, John and Jerry as role models for me, not just in my youth, but in adulthood as well. I often looked to Uncle John in my times of need for guidance and counsel. He was a powerful force in my life and he will be greatly missed. I am grateful to have his lessons to reflect on as I navigate the trials and tribulations of the rest of my life. Uncle John, I love you. You set the bar high. When my time is up I hope I at least half the man you were.

M

Midge Farr

Sincere condolences to his entire family from the Farr family. He was a true friend and honorable man.

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The family of John E. Hollis

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