



John Joseph Murray

June 17, 1958 - July 8, 2022

John Joseph Murray of Pensacola, Florida passed away 8 July 2022 doing one of the things he enjoyed the most, fishing!

He is preceded in death by his father John Franklin Murray, mother Louise Gilbert Murray (Poole), and sisters, Maureen Louise Nettles and Brenda Lorraine Murray.

He is survived by his sister Elaine Susan Borden, wife Kelly Murray (Erwin), sons John Frank Murray and Christopher Joseph Murray, daughter Linda Louise Murray with son-in-law Russel Dickerson and grandson Desmond Murray Dickerson.

He was born 17 June 1958 in a military hospital in Barcelona, Spain and as a son of a Navy Chief, he carried that tradition on by joining the Navy in 1979.

He served in the Navy as a Fleet Medical Force Hospital Corpsman and that became one of his life's most proud accomplishments. He exuded the Marine Corps motto "Semper Fidelis-Always Faithful" and that became evident in all aspects of his life.

In 1985 he became a Registered Nurse and found his niche in Critical Care and Cardiac medicine. This man thrived on the adrenaline created in some of the most stressful situations.

He later started his own triathlete business with a fellow triathlete with the same dream. This would launch him back to where his heart always was, helping wounded warriors by coaching para-triathletes to achieve their triathlon goals while also coaching able-bodied triathletes.

It is apparent that John has touched hundreds of lives and changed many and he did this selflessly and with true compassion but his true worth came from how he loved his children to the utmost and was always cheering them on from the sidelines. He was quirky and funny and brightened up any room!

But his finest moment came with the birth of his first grandbaby just last August! He talked about teaching baby Dez to swim and fish and looked forward to this new chapter of his life unfortunately cut way too short.

John had a presence in this community and many organizations but most important was his Papa Bear affection and love for his family.

To my soulmate, my love, and best friend: You are gone, I'll miss you everyday and forever!

There will NEVER be another! The mold is broken!

In lieu of flowers, you may donate to support challenged athletes in his honor: http://support.challengedathletes.org/site/TR/Events/General?px=1342532&pg=personal&fr_id=1853

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUL 21. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Faith Chapel Funeral Home and Crematory (South)
100 Beverly Pkwy
Pensacola, FL 32505
<https://www.fcfhs.com/>

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Faith Chapel Funeral Home and Crematory created a Webcast in memory of John Joseph Murray



Faith Chapel Funeral Home and Crematory - July 14 at 01:10 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Joseph Murray.



July 19 at 10:39 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Joseph Murray.



July 18 at 01:29 PM



“ Love, Olive, Christine, Josh purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of John Joseph Murray.



Love, Olive, Christine, Josh - July 18 at 10:46 AM



“ Never have we met a kinder and gentler soul with a great sense of humor than John. We have fond memories from our time in Okinawa. Many thoughts and prayers to Kelly and all of the kids. Adrian and Shirley Rivera

Shirley Rivera - July 15 at 09:47 AM

RB

“ Our condolences to Kelly and your family. We will always treasure the friendship we had with you and John. Looks like he accomplished a lot and did it by giving to others. He was a wonderful person! We will keep you in our prayers.
Ron and Melinda Bird

Ron and Melinda Bird - July 14 at 01:56 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of John Joseph Murray.



July 13 at 09:16 AM

DH

“ John was indeed genuine. He was always fun to be around and talk to. Great sense of humor. We are going to miss him for sure. We are saying prayers and sending thoughts of peace and healing to Kelly and the family.

Dan and Nora Hamilton - July 13 at 08:29 AM



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July 12 at 07:02 PM

CG

“ John was the most genuine, encouraging and GOOD person. There is a tremendous hole in our community, specifically our triathlon, swimming and fitness family, with his passing. All who worked with him relied upon and greatly valued his knowledge, leadership, expertise and wonderful personality. We are going to miss him so very much. Warmest thoughts and much love to Kelly, Linda and Chris.



Charles Gheen - July 12 at 11:07 AM

CM

John was a wonderful kind man genuine. I will truly miss you. Bless you my you Rest in peace. I appreciate all you and Kelly ever did for me and the love you showed me. My thoughts and prayers are with Kelly and the family at this time. So for your loss. Love ❤️ everyone ❤️

Caroline Miller McMullen - July 12 at 01:53 PM

AT

Sending love, hugs and strength to you and the family Kelly on the loss of your wonderful husband, children's father and best friend, John. I've thought of both of you often since our time in the Navy, but never more than this last week since I heard this. All my love, Anita Holder Travis.💕

Anita Holder Travis - July 13 at 04:45 PM



“ *My deepest sympathies to Kelly and family. John helped me many times over the years. I'll miss our conversations.
Peace be with you
Pete Wicker and family*

Pete Wicker - July 12 at 06:11 AM