



John W Nehrkorn

July 29, 1960 - August 16, 2021

John W. Nehrkorn, age 61, of Pinckneyville, passed away peacefully after a lengthy and hard-fought battle with cancer on Monday, August 16, 2021 at 4:26 p.m. in Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis with his wife and sons by his side.

John was born on July 29, 1960, in Pinckneyville, the youngest child of Gene and Glenna (Hammack) Nehrkorn. He married Donita Giacomo on October 24, 1981, at First Christian Church in Pinckneyville and she survives. To this union three sons were born.

Early in his working career, John worked in the coal mines, but for the last thirty-six years, he has been a devoted employee of B & D Machine Works, first as a welder, later as a plant supervisor, and most recently in sales and technical services. John served the city of Pinckneyville as a volunteer fireman for thirteen years and for the last several years he has been the President of the Pinckneyville Rural Fire Protection District Board. He has also held the position of Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Pinckneyville Ambulance Service for many years. John was an extremely hard working man and was very proud of the work he did with B & D and the time he dedicated to both the Pinckneyville Rural Fire Protection District and the Pinckneyville Ambulance Service.

John was a Christian and was a member of Friendship Church of Christ in Tamaroa. John enjoyed hunting, and especially loved fishing, but mostly, he loved spending time with his family.

Survivors include his faithful wife of 40 years, Donita Nehr Korn; two sons, Justin Nehr Korn and Jordan Nehr Korn (fiancé, Abby Hartman); daughter-in-law, Brittny Nehr Korn (Drayson Westberry); his granddaughter, who was the light of his life, Alivia Nehr Korn; step-grandson, Holdyn Westberry; mother-in-law, Wanda Skorczewski; step-mother-in-law, Kathleen Giacomo; sister and brother-in-law, Jeanie and Alan Jenkel; brother and sister-in-law, Jeff and Michelle Nehr Korn; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Debbie and Steven Hitt; brother-in-law, Dr. John Skorczewski; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Charlie and Marty Skorczewski; nieces and nephews, Christina (Eric) Schlipf, Jamie Hitt, Casey (Shawn) Holderfield, Caleb Nehr Korn, Andrew (Kelsey) Moore, Stefanie Cordle, Zachary Buckman, J.P. (April) Elder, Matt (April) Skorczewski, Bryan Skorczewski, Bob Skorczewski and Sarah Kiliman; several great-nieces and great-nephews; uncle and aunt, Bill and Jo Nehr Korn; aunt, Mildred Nehr Korn; numerous cousins and other relatives; countless friends; and his two favorite dachshunds, his boys, Bruno and Brady.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Jeremy Nehr Korn; his fathers-in-law, John Skorczewski and Wayne Giacomo; several aunts and uncles; and a brother-in-law, Danny Giacomo.

Visitation will be held at Friendship Church of Christ in Tamaroa on Sunday, August 22, 2021 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. and again on Monday, August 23, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. until the hour of service.

Funeral services will be held at Friendship Church of Christ in Tamaroa on Monday, August 23, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. with Doug Phillips and Sam Eddy

officiating. Burial will follow in Galum Presbyterian Cemetery in Pinckneyville.

Memorial donations may be made to the Pinckneyville Ambulance Service. Envelopes will be available at the church during the visitation and service.

Crain Funeral Homes of Southern Illinois has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Galum Presbyterian Cemetery in Pinckneyville

Pinckneyville, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Friendship Church of Christ of Tamaroa
7405 Parrot Rd.
Tamaroa, IL 62888

Visitation

AUG **23**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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7405 Parrot Rd.
Tamaroa, IL 62888

Funeral Service

AUG **23**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *John W Nehr Korn*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *To all of John's family and loved ones, We are so very sorry for this great loss of your dear John. We have you all in our minds, in our hearts and in our prayers during this very sad and very difficult time. Sherry & Ron Ridgeway & Tom Keene*

Sherry & Ron Ridgeway - August 23, 2021 at 09:31 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss of John. He was a good and funny man. He will be missed. Raymond and Chris Farthing.*

Chris Farthing - August 23, 2021 at 08:08 AM



“ *I've been friends with John since we started grade school. I remember he invited me to Vacation Bible School and learning to recite the books of the bible. Always so very nice - and definitely had a funny side! Our parents were good friends and visited in their home often. It was very evident how much he loved Donita, his boys and Alivia. It was also obvious that he loved the Lord - if you met John you never questioned how much his faith meant to him and I know he is rejoicing with his Savior. Prayers, hugs and much love to Donita and the family.*

Lisa Sronce Meisinger - August 22, 2021 at 01:30 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John W Nehr Korn.*



August 21, 2021 at 04:00 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss . May God give you strength in this time of need.
Karen Feltmeyer , Billy Feltmeyer, Damon Feltmeyer and Melissa Brostmeyer*

wiliam feltmeyer - August 21, 2021 at 10:45 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John W Nehr Korn.*



August 20, 2021 at 09:21 PM



“ *I met John about 2 years ago at my promotional products business. I always looked forward to him coming in to chat or talking to him on the phone.
He was such a nice guy and talked so highly of his family, especially is grand daughter.
He was a good man and will be greatly missed.*

Kristy Meagher - August 19, 2021 at 03:53 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John W Nehr Korn.*



August 19, 2021 at 03:27 PM



“ *John was one of a kind He always could make you laugh but also had a serious side that include work and more importantly family. When I retired we got together for a couple lunches but family was the most we talked about*

Dennis Griffin. G&R Industrial - August 19, 2021 at 02:57 PM



“ *John was a great guy! I always loved getting to visit with him at the south shop. Then when business was over. Having him school my butt at the skeet range. He could turn those clay pigeons to dust with that Browning over and under!! I will pray for his soul and his family! John I know is in heaven watching over us. Knowing that gives me comfort.*

*John Elinburg
Big River Steel*

John Elinburg - August 19, 2021 at 11:59 AM



“ *He was the sweetest guy, just loved talking and visiting with him! Heaven gained another angel. I will miss seeing him around but rejoice that he's in heaven and I will see him again*

Kristy Goodwin - August 17, 2021 at 08:23 PM

CS

Met John when we moved to Pinckneyville Pinckneyville in 1974. Been proud to be his friend ever since. I will see John again! Praying for Donita and the family.

Candace Steele - August 17, 2021 at 10:16 PM

CC

So very sorry you hear of John's passing. Our parent were in the service together so we were childhood friends. Prayers for his entire family. Jeanie and Jeff, my heart goes out to you both. 💔

Connie Carlson - August 17, 2021 at 10:36 PM

PT

John you were a kind man! Loved by so many! So you were blessed also. we knew you but didn't know you well until we went to church with you, then fishing at our place . You had the funniest stories . Loved you! Our sympathy to your wife Donita , Jordan's, Justin , Jeff, Jeanne , and all others . We all know granddaughter will miss pops . Rest In Peace John !

peggy taylor - August 17, 2021 at 11:33 PM

MP

Sorry to hear of John's passing, but know he will not be in anymore pain and suffering. My husband Richard who passed on November 6, 2016 always thought the world of John & Donita, and I did, too! Our sympathy to the family and God's peace be with you all!

Maxine E Perkins - August 18, 2021 at 08:00 PM

CW

So sorry for the loss of John. Good men are always missed, but well remembered. May you find comfort in your precious memories. Praying for you all.

cindy winter - August 18, 2021 at 10:17 PM