



John Earl Caulking

September 13, 1946 - February 22, 2019

John Earl Caulking passed away peacefully on Friday, February 22, 2019, of cancer. He was 72. At the time of his death, he was surrounded by family at his home in Mandeville, LA. John was the beloved husband of Rose Madeleine Patron Caulking for 31 years, and a loving father to Madeleine Pons Tesch (Ryan Edward Tesch) and Samuel Henry Pons (Lindsay Kramer Pons). He was the proud and adoring grandfather (Poppy) of Autumn Rowan Tesch, Brooke Iliahna Tesch, Oliver Samuel Pons, Ellis Kramer Pons, and Benjamin James Pons. He is also survived by his sisters, Clara Caulking Biondolillo (Russell), Katherine Caulking France (Ludwig), and brothers-in law, Arthur S. Patron (Pam) and Ronald H. Patron (Sandy). Born September 13, 1946 in New Orleans, LA, he was preceded in death by his parents, the late Francis Joseph Caulking and Adele Torres Caulking and his brother Francis Charles Caulking. He will be greatly missed by all his family and friends. A special thanks to Verna Patron Bieber and Angelique Patron Hall for their loving care and comfort during his illness.

John received his Juris Doctorate degree from the LSU Law Center and was a retired military Judge Advocate General (JAG) Corp Officer, with an advanced degree from the Judge Advocate General's Law School at the University of Virginia. In his 30+ years of law practice, he served as Legal Advisor to Walter Reed Medical Center, the Military District of Washington (MDW), practiced military law in Washington, D.C., Europe, Asia, and civil law in Louisiana. He was a past member of the Louisiana State Bar Association and had been admitted to practice before the U. S. Supreme Court. After retiring from the Army, John was appointed by Gov. Mike Foster as the Executive Director of the Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs, and lectured throughout the state. He was a Qualified Louisiana Mediator and President of Louisiana Mediation, L.L.C. John was a long time member and past president of the Northlake-Mandeville Rotary Club, and several other organizations.

A private memorial service is planned for immediate family and close friends. Please Share a Memory on the Tribute Wall at www.ejfieldingfh.com.

Comments



“ John was a fantastic fellow. A good friend. I'm very sorry to learn he has passed. God bless. Andrew Canulette

Michael A Canulette - March 12 at 01:31 AM



“ I just learned of John's passing from RAJA — the Retired Army Judge Advocates Association. What sad and surprising news. I only knew John as a fellow Army lawyer years ago at Fort Bragg and along the Army way from time to time. Yet, I vividly remember him as a remarkably generous and always-smiling man who was also a bright and thoughtful Army officer and judge advocate. I regret not keeping in touch more, as John was one of those men who made life brighter just by being around him. Kathi and I wish his wife, family, and friends the best as they go on without John. May his kind spirit always be with us all.

Bill & Kathi Hagan, Winchester, Va. - March 07 at 08:45 AM



“ My brother loved blue. Sadly missed. Love you John.

clara caulking biondolillo - March 01 at 02:39 PM



“ Clara Caulking Biondolillo lit a candle in memory of John Earl Caulking



clara caulking biondolillo - March 01 at 02:37 PM



“ Saddened to hear of John's passing! John and I grew up together, we attended the same High School and both attended McNeese State University together. John was one of the finest people I ever knew! He was serious in his pursuit of his career but was able to laugh with others. He will be missed by those who knew and loved him! RIP my dear friend!

Greg Danigole

Greg Danigole - February 26 at 12:39 PM