



John L. Kelleher

November 2, 1953 - July 11, 2019

John L. Kelleher died at his home in Sunizona on July 11, 2019 at the age of 65. Mass of Christian Burial will be 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church. Interment of his cremains will follow in the Light Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Light Historical Cemetery

Kester Lane
Pearce/Sunizona, AZ 85625

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 17. 3:00 PM (MT)

St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church
Highway 191
Sunsites, AZ

Tribute Wall



“ *John L. Kelleher*

January 30, 2023 at 12:50 AM



“ *"Cousin John" will certainly be remembered as a kind and amazing man. I loved watching the way he and my mom and his other cousins would get together and just laugh! I am so very sorry for your loss. I always loved seeing John at family get togethers and reunions. His smile and his laugh will be missed dearly.*

Heather Blaney (Church Family) - July 18, 2019 at 07:50 PM

KK

“ John Kelleher is my dad. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force, having served most notably as an intelligence officer in Wiesbaden, Germany during the Cold War. He left the service shortly after I was born, having attained the rank of captain. He went on to work at IBM until retiring to Arizona.

My dad was the kindest person I have ever met in my life. He would brag to me about how people seem to seek him out on the street to ask for directions. "I don't know what it is about me, but everybody seems to think I know where I'm going," he'd say. He was approachable in the way Santa Claus is approachable. Something just made you want to open up and spill your guts to the guy.

He is every good memory in my childhood. The least athletic person on the planet, he would show up with a bucket of baseballs and say, "alright, time to practice." We built model rockets together and went to all sorts of museums (his favorite was Wings over the Rockies). Though, my favorite activity was driving around talking about everything in the world. He was so easy to talk to. He never criticized my wild ideas; he was the king of 'yes, and...' He loved me so much and I miss him more than words can describe.

Please remember John Kelleher as the wonderful man that he was. A kind, gentle, playful man, who got everything out of life that he wanted. The only bad thing about my dad was his jokes. And as I sit here today, I'd give anything for one of those.

I love you, dad. I miss you.

Kevin Kelleher - July 14, 2019 at 07:57 AM

BC

Kevin

I am your Dad's cousin. My other cousin Michalene informed me of his passing. I would love to meet you one day. I live in New York. John's mom was my Godmother and my father's sister. I remember playing with JK when he came to New York. My twin sister lives in Rhode Island and has 2 daughters living in the Boston area.

Maybe not to late to connect.

Betty Devine Carle

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betty carle - April 17, 2020 at 07:04 AM

SC

Kevin I am your Dad's cousin Susie. I am so sorry to hear about your dad. I have a lot of memories of him when he would come to visit in New York. He was a few months younger then me and my sister Betty and he was so smart. He could do anything: play the piano, sing, he read books when he was 4, draw pictures of planes. He was always a lot of fun to be with and we always liked it when he visited. I hear you live in Boston. I have two daughters that live in Boston and RI is really close. Would love to meet you and share our memories of your dad!

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Susanne Campbell - April 17, 2020 at 05:30 PM