



John Carroll Brooks

February 25, 1937 - July 11, 2018

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Chef John was born on 2/25/37 and dealt his last straight flush at home on July 11, 2018. He fought his last battle with cancer, assisted by his loving wife, Barbara, and a most caring staff of angels from Cornerstone Hospice in Lakeland. A very large hug and Hershey's Chocolate cake was also presented to the staff of the VA Hospital Oncology team-with extra hugs to Dr. Eatrides. John was predeceased by his father, Herb, mother (Superior) Eleanor, and sister Ginny. His brothers: Richard (wife Francine; children Jen and Tom) and Peter shared each holiday together until Mom retired to Heaven.

There are many rock walls still standing in the Boston Area built by this entrepreneur and John also owned restaurants in Somerville, Massachusetts, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and was a Sales Manager for Metropolitan Ins. Co. Before retiring and moving to Florida with Barbara, he owned a masonry repair business, aided by his best friend, Ray Gerrior.

Ever the traveler, he and Barbara took a special trip to New Orleans after being diagnosed with this fatal disease accompanied with sons-John, Jr. (wife Jeanne; sons Ryan and Sean), Steven, (wife Kim; daughter Zoe and sons, Teddy and Benji) and Richard (wife Micayla; sons Jackson and Evan). He and Barbara also gave love to son Walt (daughter Kim, son Bobby) and daughter Dawn (husband, Mike; daughter, Nicole). An amazing trip with most of the children in attendance was to Mallorca, Spain many years ago.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday, July 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00

a.m. at Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes at 1727 Bartow Road, Lakeland. At 10:00 a.m. the Rev. Philip Stevens (also a close neighbor) will give his blessings in the Chapel inside Gentry Morrison. During his U.S. Army service, John served as an Honor Guard at Arlington, Cemetery. Friends and family are invited to Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell where John will be interred at 2:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Florida National Cemetery

6502 SW 102nd Ave.
Bushnell, FL 33513

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 17. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Southside Chapel
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Service

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Burial

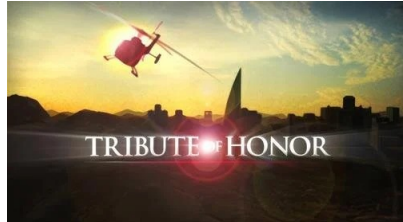
JUL **17**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of John Carroll Brooks*



Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - July 16, 2018 at 09:44 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Carroll Brooks.*



July 16, 2018 at 10:14 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of John Carroll Brooks.*



July 16, 2018 at 08:32 AM



“ 39 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - July 16, 2018 at 08:02 AM

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“ Thoughts and prayers go out to Barb and the rest of John's family on this sad day.
Judy Rossi

Judy Rossi - July 15, 2018 at 07:19 AM



“ Care and Compassion Spray was purchased for the family of John Carroll Brooks.



July 14, 2018 at 01:11 PM