



John Joseph Varni

June 6, 1966 - January 5, 2024

It is with deep sorrow that we announce John J. Varni, age 57, of San Ramon, California, passed away on January 5, 2024. Born June 6, 1966, John was a native of Benicia and dedicated 24 years of his life to service as a police officer with the Concord Police Department. In addition to his career in law enforcement, John served as a dedicated softball and football coach for many years, guiding and inspiring countless young athletes. John is survived by his beloved wife Cathy, his two children Marisa and Jack, and his loyal German Shepherd dogs Max and Zeus. He is also remembered by his mother, Mary Ann; his brothers, Tom, Frank, and Ed; and a host of in-laws, cousins, aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

A devoted husband, father, coach, and friend, John will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

May he rest in peace, leaving behind cherished memories of a life well-lived. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, January 26, 2023, at St. Dominic's Catholic Church in Benicia, California, with a reception to follow. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to German Shepherd Rescue of Northern California, a cause dear to John's heart.

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN **26**. 11:00 AM (PT)

St Dominic's Catholic Church
475 E I St
Benicia, CA 94510
(707) 747-7220

Tribute Wall

CG

“ I had the pleasure of meeting and getting to know John years ago when we attended College of the Siskiyous, and was so sorry to hear of his passing. I spoke with him briefly before he retired and knew how much he was looking forward to that, and spending more time with family and friends. My heart goes to you all for your loss.

Cami Giacomelli-DeClusin

Cami GiacomelliDeClusin - May 12 at 04:39 PM

PM

“ Perrone's, Toussaint's, Matanane's purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of John Joseph Varni.



Perrone's, Toussaint's, Matanane's - January 21, 2024 at 04:30 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Joseph Varni.



January 21, 2024 at 03:12 PM

JM

“ I first met John working part-time at Concord Police Department. As a civilian employee, I was paired up with John in order to manage traffic during the city's annual 4th of July celebration. It was a very long day and John and I chatted about various topics, one being my upcoming interview at PMI, in which John stated his wife worked. Who would have known that I would end up working with John in this capacity and then Cathy for the last 14 years? I will never forget what a larger than life man John was and that corner we shared in Concord. You will be missed. Rest in peace.



Jennifer Munhall - January 19, 2024 at 01:12 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John Joseph Varni.



January 13, 2024 at 01:58 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Joseph Varni.



January 12, 2024 at 01:47 PM

RH

“ Sincere condolences to Cathy and the whole Varni Family. Your Family is our Thoughts and Prayers.
Rick and Jana

Rick Hite - January 12, 2024 at 09:20 AM

JB

“ With deepest condolences for Cathy and the Varni family. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Wishing you strength and peace.
Janet & Jeff Boyd



janet boyd - January 10, 2024 at 02:05 PM

TZ

John was my best friend with whom I could share anything with. We had so much in common. I miss him so very much!

Tony Zalec - April 04, 2025 at 12:57 AM