



John Samuel Willis Jr.

January 27, 1964 - August 12, 2021

John Samuel Willis Jr. aged 57 passed away unexpectedly and quietly at home. John was a proud graduate of Benicia High School Class of 1982 an outstanding athlete playing on the Panthers, BHS Baseball & Basketball team. A fan of all things mechanical, John had his pilot's license and taught people how to fly. He loved boats, and fast cars. He was a big supporter of the Giants. He even drove a dirt track sprint car in his younger days stemming from his lifelong love of motorsports. John was a fantastic angler and like nothing better than a day fishing on the bay. John drove a truck at an early age, to deliver roofing for the family business. He was a heavy equipment operator and a member of Local #3 for over 20 years. He became a supervisor at Pacific States and DeSilva Gates Construction. As supervisor he worked on many projects, including the clean up of Mare Island and the San Francisco Academy of Sciences rebuilding project. Lately John drove a tow truck, fueled by his passion to help others.

John is survived by his mother, Jean B. Willis, his children, Brandon, Owen, Sara, and Amy. His brothers Todd and Donald (Sue) Willis. He was preceded in death by his father John S. Willis Sr. (1981)

A Celebration of Life will be held Tuesday, August 24th, at 11 am at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel. The family invites you to Rookies Sports Bar and Grill (321 First Street, Benicia) after the service.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

AUG **24**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Passalacqua Funeral Chapel
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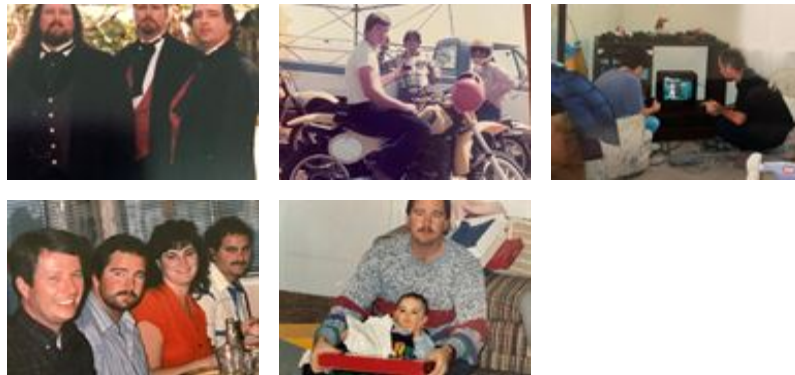


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“ Nick and I are so deeply saddened of the news of John's passing. We have such fond memories of John helping his Dad fix our old VWbuggy in the driveway of their Benicia family home. John was always the "big brother" for his younger brothers Todd and Donny. Our son Clayton and Donny were best friends for many years and Jean was more than family to us.

Jean, my heart is broken for your loss.

Although we have never met, our deepest sympathies to John's wife and children.

All our love, Lisa and Nick Esposito

Lisa Esposito - August 18, 2021 at 01:01 PM

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“ John was a very sweet guy growing up together. We used to go fishing off the 9th Street pier. You will be missed. Ellen Greitzer Jones

ellen greitzer jones - August 16, 2021 at 09:04 PM