



John G. Ploehn, Jr.

June 4, 1942 - May 4, 2016

John G. Ploehn, Jr., 73, of Longwood, Fl. passed away Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at Hospice of the Comforter. Mr. Ploehn was born June 4, 1942 in Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Ploehn is survived by his wife, Kathryn; his children, Brian Ploehn, Rebecca Keller (Conner), Michael Ploehn, Megan Loso (Jeremy) and six grandchildren. In addition, he is survived by his brothers, Robert Ploehn and William Ploehn.

John was an active member of Annunciation Catholic Church in Altamonte Springs for over 30 years. He had a special interest and ministry in Adult Faith Formation and Scripture Study.

John lived life with great enthusiasm and great love of God. He faced his death with courage and peace. In a Facebook post, John's oldest son, Brian, guided by his Dad's wisdom wrote the following:

“ It was May 4 when he finished the race. He ran the race with pride and integrity.

He did his best. He entered the great stadium to see that they were waiting.

An

amazing crowd of friends, family, even strangers. Young, old and in between.

They were all cheering for him. They had been waiting for him. The applause was for him alone. He did not stop until he reached the podium when God took his hand and brought him home.”

We celebrate the life of John Ploehn and we rejoice in his eternal peace.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorial contributions be made in John's name to
The Sharing Center 600 N US Hwy 17-92 #158 Longwood, Fl. 32750
(thesharingcenter.org).

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 15. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory Maitland Chapel
9001 N. Orlando Ave
Maitland, FL 32751
(407) 695-2273
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Prayer Service

MAY 15. 7:15 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

GH

“ I'm in John's man in the mirror group. I only knew him a few months but I know God put him in my life to teach me how to live a Christian life especially in relationship to family. I know he is in heaven. We will all see him there when God calls us home. He was a very Godly man. We will miss him dearly.

Greg Hodges

Greg Hodges - May 15, 2016 at 03:21 PM

CM

“ John was a giver. He sought to person serving the needy and in need of love and trust. I would model my life after him. Reminded me of Jesus. Charles M

Charles Musser - May 13, 2016 at 02:10 PM

DK

John was a blessing to the Man in the Mirror table group that met on Friday Mornings for Bible Study taught by Pat Morley. He declared his faith in Christ as his Savior and Lord in many ways during our discussions.

Kathy, he spoke frequently of you, his children and grandchildren. He loved all of you very much. He provided for you through his professional sales career.

If I or any of the men in MIM can minister to you in any way, please reach out to us.

You are greatly loved.

David Kirk

David Kirk - May 14, 2016 at 11:35 AM

JH

“ John ministered to many and in everything he did. I've had the pleasure of sharing Friday mornings with John at our table at Man-In-The-Mirror. He truly was a spiritual warrior in God's plan of total world domination. I loved his humor when telling of his life experiences where his faith was challenged but never left a scratch due to his faith. Most of all, John inspired and encouraged me to be a better husband, father, friend, and Christian man, while always giving the Glory to our Lord. Always made me smile when he would wrap up a doughnut to "take home to his bride". Rest in peace my friend and save us a doughnut!!! Love you brother ... Johnny Hurlburt

Johnny Hurlburt - May 13, 2016 at 11:45 AM

BP

“ Dear Kathy and Family, Dodie and I send our deepest sympathies to you as you grieve the loss of John. John possessed a unique and beautiful spirituality that impacted those with whom he shared his life. We were graced by his presence and praise God for the multiple graces that were ours via John's ministry. With affection, Basil and Dodie Pflumm

Basil and Dodie Pflumm - May 13, 2016 at 09:59 AM



“ Reflections of Glory Wreath was purchased for the family of John G. Ploehn, Jr..



May 12, 2016 at 11:04 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John G. Ploehn, Jr..*



May 12, 2016 at 09:45 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Easter 2016*



jeremy loso - May 09, 2016 at 09:31 PM



“ *Your friends and neighbors at the river purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of John G. Ploehn, Jr..*



Your friends and neighbors at the river - May 08, 2016 at 08:14 AM



“ *Dear Family, I am so very sorry about the loss of year dear loved one. May the thought at Job 33:25 give you comfort in knowing that Mr. Ploehn will return to the days of his youth and be able to enjoy life without the infirmities of old age. My sincere condolences to you.*

Pat F. - May 07, 2016 at 07:13 AM

GR

It's been awhile since I've seen you and John, but I remember you both with warmth and affection, especially working together in the first Ministry Fair at Annunciation and many other ministries we worked in. I am sad that you and your children will not have him present and the community will not have his gifts. My heart goes out to you.

Glenda Roberson

Glenda Roberson - May 13, 2016 at 01:47 PM

EG

Very sorry to hear of the new of Johns passing, longtime former neighbors. RIP John and may God provide your family with the peace of mind that you are free from pain and forever enjoying eternal life.

Eva Gallow (Muglia)

Eva Gallow - May 15, 2016 at 11:44 AM

MC

May John Rest in Peace.

*My Sincerest Condolences,
Fellow Fairfield University Rugger, '96
Matt Capuzzi*

Matt Capuzzi - October 05, 2016 at 10:32 AM

RS

Rest in Peace, John.

*My Sincerest Condolences,
Fellow Fairfield University Rugger, '68*

Robert R. Shea - October 06, 2016 at 08:05 AM