



## John David Adams

December 8, 1941 - August 11, 2022

John D. Adams, 80, of Centreville, passed away on August 11, 2022. He was born on December 8, 1941 in Lancaster County, PA, to the late William F. Adams and Lillian Adams.

As a young man, John enjoyed working with his father on their family farm in Quarryville, PA, where they had a 165 acre dairy farm. He graduated from Solanco High School in 1959. John remained good friends with many in his class and would attend their monthly breakfast meetings when he could. John would work on the family farm until he was 23. He will always be remembered as a hard worker, willing to help anyone, a hell-raiser in his time and an amazing Pop-Pop.

In 1965, he moved to Centreville, where he would meet his wife Elizabeth "Bette" Thomas. The two would marry in 1972. John would become active in helping to raise Bette's three children from a previous marriage: William Lee Hoxter (passed in 1978), Keith Hoxter (Kim), Karen Reed (Dewey), and would later have one daughter together, Samantha Grimes ( Dale).

In 1968, John, Bette, and his parents would go into partnership and purchase what is known as Bordlington Farms where they were grain farmers and also raised beef cattle and pigs. At the peak of his farming operation, John tilled over 3,000 acres in the Queen Anne's County area. He always enjoyed the

help of Bette, Keith Hoxter, Billy Wise, Michael Whiteside, Jimmy Meredith, Mike Maloney, Dale Hickman, Buddy Hollowell and many others on the farm. You were either doing things right (his way) or he was chewing you out! He shared many good memories on the farm. Over the years, John also worked for Funks G. Hybrid Seed Company, Queen Anne's Tractor, Southern States Petroleum, and Kenny Nau Trucking.

In his younger years, John enjoyed the sport of truck and tractor pulling. He started out at local county fairs and would later become more involved pulling his truck known as the "Boss Hog" up and down the East Coast with his brother-in-law, Ronald Kauffman.

In addition to his parents, John is predeceased by his wife Elizabeth "Bette" Adams, stepson Lee Hoxter, brother Bill Adams, brother Robert Adams, and sister Joyce Adams.

He is survived by his two sisters from PA, Sara Kauffman and Janet Adams; daughter Samantha Grimes (Dale); grandchildren Garrett, Ryan, Jake and Grant; stepson, Keith Hoxter (Kim); grandchildren Nick and Nate; stepdaughter Karen Reed (Dewey); and grandchildren Brandon and Hunter. He was hands down the best "Pop-Pop" and was very proud of his grandchildren.

An extra special thank you to all who had jumped in to help out with caring for John since the passing of his wife. It was greatly appreciated.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, August 18, 2022, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newman Funeral Home in Centreville. A funeral service will be held at the funeral home on August 19, 2022, at 11 a.m., with burial to follow at the Spring Hill Cemetery in Easton, MD. Friends and family will be invited back to Ruthsburg Community Center after the burial for a

luncheon.

# Cemetery Details

## New Spring Hill Cemetery

Easton, MD

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 18.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Centreville Location  
408 South Liberty Street  
Centreville, MD 21617  
(410) 758-1151  
info@fhfuneralhome.com

## Service

**AUG 19.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John David Adams*



**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - August 15, 2022 at 04:21 PM



“ *John David Adams*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *John David Adams*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *John David Adams*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Dave Henry lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



**Dave Henry** - August 18, 2022 at 03:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John David Adams.*



August 18, 2022 at 10:55 AM



“ *Bobby And Genevieve Norris lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



**Bobby and Genevieve Norris** - August 18, 2022 at 09:38 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John David Adams.*



August 18, 2022 at 08:37 AM



“ *Dear Samantha & family, Sending hugs and prayers your way at this difficult time. I always enjoyed talking with your dad. He will be missed by so many friends. Peace be with your family and sincere condolences to you all.*



**Mary Elizabeth Covington McDade** - August 17, 2022 at 09:44 AM

PP

“ John was a great hard working man. Loved by all who knew him. So sorry for your loss. My late husband Johnny and I thought the world of him. Rest In Peace old friend!



Phyllis Perkins - August 16, 2022 at 06:20 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of John David Adams.



August 16, 2022 at 04:01 PM



“ John will truly be missed by Family and many many Friends.  
Barbara Whaley

Barbara Whaley - August 16, 2022 at 02:16 PM

JA

“ Mr. John was a character! We enjoyed having him at the Sudlersville Senior Center! May he rest in peace and may his family be comforted during this difficult time.

Jane Anthony - August 16, 2022 at 11:08 AM

SA

Thank you for taking such good care of him while he visited

Samantha - August 16, 2022 at 12:39 PM

LW

“ Love, Jeremiah & Katie Wilson purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of John David Adams.



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Love, Jeremiah & Katie Wilson - August 15, 2022 at 06:22 PM

MA

“ Sam and Dale and family, we are sorry for your loss. May the good Lord guide you to peace.

Mitchell and Tami Andrew

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mittchell andrew - August 15, 2022 at 05:36 PM

SW

“ I am so very sorry to see John has passed. We really enjoyed him at the senior center and he always joined in on all the fun and games, we had many laughs together. We had really missed seeing him. Hugs and Prayers to you all.



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shelley williams - August 15, 2022 at 03:31 PM

SA

Oh my goodness! Yes he loved it there. Thank you. That

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Samantha - August 15, 2022 at 04:27 PM

LF

“ *Lode Family lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



**Lode Family** - August 15, 2022 at 08:21 AM

DC

“ *Donna Cawley lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



**Donna Cawley** - August 14, 2022 at 07:59 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of John David Adams.*



August 14, 2022 at 05:20 PM

RJ

“ *Ronald An Rhonda Jewell lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



**Ronald an Rhonda Jewell** - August 14, 2022 at 07:21 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John David Adams.*



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August 13, 2022 at 09:35 PM



“ *James Ewing lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



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**James Ewing** - August 13, 2022 at 07:48 PM



“ *Frank And Tish Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of John David Adams*



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**Frank and Tish Palmatary** - August 13, 2022 at 06:56 PM



“ *Condolences to the family*



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**Shorts Family** - August 13, 2022 at 05:03 PM

DT

“ *John had the best sense of humor ever! Loved going to the farm and visiting with the whole family*

**Diana Patchett Tarrant** - August 13, 2022 at 05:02 PM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of John David Adams.*



August 13, 2022 at 12:30 PM

GP

“ *Gene & Lynda Palmatary lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



**Gene & Lynda Palmatary** - August 13, 2022 at 12:26 PM

LP

*Our prayers and blessings are with you. John loved talking with people and enjoying one another. Our prayers and blessings are with the family at this time. God Bless. He will be missed. Gene and Lynda Palmatary*

**Lynda Palmatary** - August 17, 2022 at 08:38 AM

LP

“ *Lisa Plummer lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



**Lisa Plummer** - August 13, 2022 at 12:03 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of John David Adams.*



August 13, 2022 at 10:20 AM

BM

“ *Billy & Dorothy Mhollingsworth lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



**billy & dorothy mhollingsworth** - August 13, 2022 at 10:00 AM

FL

“ *Frankie And Cathy Legg lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



**Frankie and Cathy Legg** - August 13, 2022 at 09:42 AM

BH

“ *Brenda Hahn lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



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**Brenda Hahn** - August 13, 2022 at 09:06 AM

SD

“ *Sara Davidson lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



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**Sara Davidson** - August 13, 2022 at 08:38 AM

CT

“ *ALways enjoyed his colorful stories when he visited my barber shop ,brought joy & laughter ,RIP John 🙏*

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**carroll thompson** - August 13, 2022 at 07:57 AM

MP

“ *Mandy Parks lit a candle in memory of John David Adams*



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**Mandy Parks** - August 12, 2022 at 11:18 PM

PC

“ So sorry for your loss...John was one of a kind!!! Peggy and Mike Clough



Peggy and Mike Clough - August 12, 2022 at 09:31 PM

RM

“ Rodger & Terry McQuay lit a candle in memory of John David Adams



Rodger & Terry McQuay - August 12, 2022 at 07:51 PM

RM

*I have many wonderful memories of truck pulling with John's Mud Hog and my Swamp Fox. And helping John on the farm . Rest easy now my cousin*

Rodger & Terry McQuay - August 12, 2022 at 07:59 PM

SA

*Thank you. You guys had some great memories!*

Samantha - August 13, 2022 at 11:15 AM

RM

*We sure did ❤️*

Rodger & Terry McQuay - August 13, 2022 at 12:05 PM

VI

“ I have many fond memories of John and all the local farmers when I worked at ruthsburg store 😊 they were daily patrons and it was always a pleasure seeing them! He will be missed by many 😊  
Val whaley ivins

Val whaley ivins - August 12, 2022 at 06:53 PM

AH

“ Angel & Mike Huffman lit a candle in memory of John David Adams



Angel & Mike Huffman - August 12, 2022 at 06:35 PM

JE

“ Jim And Mary Ann Edwards sent a virtual gift in memory of John David Adams



Jim and Mary Ann Edwards - August 12, 2022 at 06:11 PM

MF

“ Matt And Roxanne Dean And Family lit a candle in memory of John David Adams



Matt and Roxanne Dean and Family - August 12, 2022 at 05:29 PM