



John J. Cambardella Jr.

March 30, 1947 - February 12, 2023

John J. Cambardella of Church Hill, MD, passed away peacefully at his home, surrounded by family, on February 12, 2023. He was 75 years old.

John was born in Scranton, PA, on March 30, 1947, the son of the late John Joseph, Sr. and Maria Rossi Cambardella. At the age of six, he moved from Old Forge, PA, to Salisbury, MD, where he attended grammar and high school, graduating from WiHi with the Class of 1965. He then went to Washington College and met his wife, Pam, in Chestertown, and the two were married in 1972.

John worked for many years for Juvenile Services in Kent County. He took early retirement from the state and then became a victim witness coordinator for the county sheriff's office before starting a family services program for Caroline, Talbot, and Kent County courts. After a few years, he worked exclusively in Caroline County before retiring in 2017. He lived his life as an advocate for others, especially for children and families, and received the Anne B. Gallagher Outstanding Service Award from the Circuit Courts of Caroline and Talbot Counties in 2016.

John was a lover of words and enjoyed reading and writing. He was an avid hockey fan, and took advantage of every opportunity to convert others to the love of the sport. His closest friends were a special clan with whom he spent

countless hours playing ping-pong and croquet, and made devoted trips to baseball parks around the country. John's most treasured memories are of spending time in parks and nature with his wife and family. He also (seriously) loved to chop and stack wood, and was an occasional caretaker of cats.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Nance Crockett (David).

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Pam Cambardella; his children, Paul Cambardella and Claire Cambardella (Chris Attenborough); many beloved cousins; and six nieces and nephews and their families.

A graveside service will be held on Thursday, February 23 at 1 p.m. at Church Hill Cemetery in Church Hill, MD. A celebration of John's life, accompanied by croquet and merriment, will be held in the spring, on a date to be announced.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Southern Poverty Law Center at www.splcenter.org/support-us (400 Washington Ave. Montgomery, AL 36104) or to The Nature Conservancy at <https://tinyurl.com/228vhet> (TNC Attn: Treasury 4245 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 100 Arlington, VA 22203).

Cemetery Details

Church Hill Cemetery

Cemetery Road
Church Hill, MD

Previous Events

Graveside Service

FEB 23. 1:00 PM (ET)

Church Hill Cemetery
Cemetery Road
Church Hill, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John J. Cambardella Jr.*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 21, 2023 at 03:26 PM



“ *John J. Cambardella Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Dear Pam and Family, I am so sorry to hear about John's passing. He was a good friend to my brother and you were a good friend to me. I know his journey is a beautiful one due to what a beautiful person he was. Love always, Barbara Joyce.*

Barbara Joyce - February 27, 2023 at 04:41 PM



“ *I worked with John when he was the Family Services Coordinator at the Caroline Circuit Court. He was a pleasure. I always felt that he had the best interest of the children in everything that he did. Good man! Pam Reynolds*

Pamela Reynolds - February 22, 2023 at 11:15 AM

TY

“ Dear Pam, Dennis and I are so sorry for your loss of John! John was such a fun guy and had such an infectious laugh! He was obviously well loved by many! May your memories of your life together comfort you in the days ahead! Terri Teasdale Young

Teresa Young - February 21, 2023 at 03:13 PM

JW

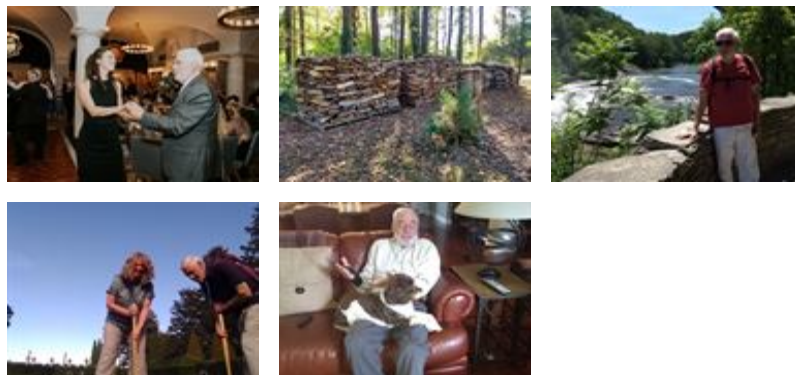
“ Janine S Wright lit a candle in memory of John J. Cambardella Jr.



Janine S Wright - February 21, 2023 at 09:53 AM



“ 89 files added to the album Life Tributes



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 20, 2023 at 12:41 PM

LC

“ Lee Clark lit a candle in memory of John J. Cambardella Jr.



Lee Clark - February 20, 2023 at 11:52 AM

LC

Sorry to hear of Johns passing. Used to share same friends and get gatherings back in the post Washington College days with others like, Lou, Paul, Todd, Joe and many others . R.I.P. John

Lee Clark - February 20, 2023 at 11:55 AM

SH

“ Susanne Hayman lit a candle in memory of John J. Cambardella Jr.



Susanne Hayman - February 18, 2023 at 10:45 PM

SH

Pam, Paul, and Claire, You are in my heart. John was one of the most extraordinary, caring persons I've ever been blessed to know. He will be remembered a good long time and remembered fondly and well. Peace to you.

Susanne Hayman - February 18, 2023 at 10:53 PM

JL

“ *John M Larrimore lit a candle in memory of John J. Cambardella Jr.*



John M Larrimore - February 16, 2023 at 05:55 PM

MS

“ *Denise and I are very sorry to hear of John's passing. John was a good guy. Marty Salmon.*

Marty Salmon - February 16, 2023 at 12:38 PM



“ *so sorry to hear of John's passing. my sympathies to you!*



Elsye Porter - February 15, 2023 at 04:20 PM

JS

“ *Jane Stanton lit a candle in memory of John J. Cambardella Jr.*



Jane Stanton - February 15, 2023 at 09:02 AM

KW

“ Kelly Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of John J. Cambardella Jr.



Kelly Wilkerson - February 14, 2023 at 11:06 PM

SQ

“ Sara & David Quinn lit a candle in memory of John J. Cambardella Jr.



Sara & David Quinn - February 14, 2023 at 10:40 PM

BA

“ Pam and family, We are so sorry to hear of John's passing. Our thoughts and Prayers are with you at this difficult time. Take care.



Barbara & Albert Allen - February 14, 2023 at 06:24 PM

BB

“ Bonnie Bowman lit a candle in memory of John J. Cambardella Jr.



Bonnie Bowman - February 14, 2023 at 04:20 PM

MK

“ Pam and family,
You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time .
Margaret Cohey Kaufman

Margaret Kaufman - February 14, 2023 at 03:08 PM

PE

“ Pam, Paul, and Claire- Prayers and peace to each of you.
Pam Edwards

Pam Edwards - February 14, 2023 at 02:30 PM

MN

“ Mindy Nashold lit a candle in memory of John
J. Cambardella Jr.



Mindy Nashold - February 14, 2023 at 01:14 PM

LM

“ Lynn Leonhardt Mielke lit a candle in memory
of John J. Cambardella Jr.



Lynn Leonhardt Mielke - February 14, 2023 at 11:10 AM

DD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.



Doris Ann Donovan - February 14, 2023 at 09:18 AM

EE

“ Pam, please accept our sincere condolences for you and the family.
Evelyn and Lauren Engelke

Evelyn Engelke - February 14, 2023 at 09:13 AM

JH

“ Pam and family. Sorry to hear of the passing of a beloved family member.

Jennifer Hardin - February 14, 2023 at 08:11 AM

JT

“ Pam and family: We're sorry to hear of John's death. o
Our prayers are with you.

Jennifer & Gene Teat - February 14, 2023 at 07:27 AM

CH

“ Cheryl Hurd lit a candle in memory of John J.
Cambardella Jr.



Cheryl Hurd - February 13, 2023 at 09:36 PM