



John "Jay" Joseph Burl Jr

May 16, 1949 - September 5, 2025

John "Jay" Joseph Burl Jr., of Easton, Maryland, passed away unexpectedly on September 5th, 2025, leaving behind a legacy of love, dedication, and family. Born on May 16, 1949, in Annapolis, Jay grew up in the same city that always held a special place in his heart.

He was the beloved son of John and Arie Ann Burl, and the cherished brother of Arie Connell, Warren Burl, and William Casey. Jay and his wife, Patricia L. Burl, met in elementary school and shared over 50 years of marriage.

Together, they built a life filled with love, laughter, and tradition on the Eastern Shore. Jay also treasured a unique and loving relationship with his mother-in-law, Juanita Mowbray, who held a very special place in his heart.

Jay was a proud Army veteran and retired from the Washington Post after a long and successful career as a Computer Systems Analyst. Beyond his work, Jay embraced life with joy and curiosity. He loved his routines and found delight in the simple pleasures—whether it was a crab feast with his grandsons, working in his garden, or spending summer days canning vegetables to share with family. His green thumb produced more than food; it nurtured connection and tradition. Jay was a lifelong learner, often found listening to podcasts, reading, or exploring new ideas, and he shared this love of learning with those around him. He also enjoyed hunting and crabbing and was a proud member of the Easton Amateur Radio Society.

Above all, Jay valued family. He especially treasured the time spent with his five grandsons, who brought him immeasurable joy. He is survived by his

children, John W. Burl (Ashley) and Amy Thomas (Bryan), and his grandsons Dylan, Braden, Derrick, Aaron, and Drake.

Jay will be remembered for his generosity, his dry sense of humor, his love of learning, and his deep devotion to family. A celebration of life will be held at a later date, where family and friends will gather to honor and remember him in the ways he would have loved best—together, with laughter, stories, and shared traditions.

Tribute Wall



“ *Sherry Atkinson lit a candle in memory of John "Jay" Joseph Burl Jr*



Sherry Atkinson - September 12, 2025 at 02:47 PM

MS

“ *So sorry for your loss....*



Moire Scherl - September 10, 2025 at 07:36 AM

JF

“ *I am so sorry for your family's loss. Jay was such a kind generous man. He is in wonderful company in Heaven.*

Janet Freeh - September 09, 2025 at 06:57 PM

JD

“ *So sorry for your loss. Take care. I have so many fond memories of Jay.*

JoAnne Danchik - September 07, 2025 at 06:09 PM

BP

“ *Our sincere condolences to Jay's entire family. Jay left you all too soon.*

Bob & Geri Parkinson - September 07, 2025 at 02:33 PM

GI

“ I'm so sorry for this beautiful family's loss.. My prayers are with all of you ❤️🙏❤️



Gid - September 06, 2025 at 09:57 PM

MA

“ Mitchell Andrew lit a candle in memory of John "Jay" Joseph Burl Jr



Mitchell Andrew - September 06, 2025 at 09:18 PM

EW

“ Thoughts and prayers to Mrs. Patty, John, Ashley, Amy, Bryan and grandkids. Mr. Jay was one of kind and I know he will be missed by all!

Elmo and Stacy White - September 06, 2025 at 07:02 PM