



John P. Dunbar

July 3, 1951 - July 13, 2023

John Phillip Dunbar of Cadillac passed away July 13, 2023 at home. He was 72.

John was born July 3, 1951 in Cadillac to John Stanley and Phyllis Pauline (Peterson) Dunbar and they preceded him in death.

He graduated from Cadillac High School and worked for Dunbar Excavating until retiring. He was a very skilled heavy equipment operator especially on an excavator. John had a tremendous work ethic and enjoyed teaching others the skills he knew. He also served honorably in the United States Navy.

John was an outdoorsman; he loved spending time outside in the sunshine, fishing and especially loved ice fishing. He was a prankster with a fun sense of humor. He enjoyed his breakfast group and going to breakfast at Burke's. John loved their dog Cooper, but it was unmatched to the love he had for his grandchildren.

On October 19, 1973 in Cadillac he married Diane Marie Skelding and at his time of death she survived him with their children: Scott Dunbar (Robertha Morales) of Indiana, Shannan (Mitchell) Whitaker of Cadillac; Emma, Sophie, Owen Whitaker and Ian, Eliot Caitlyn, Camryn, Allyson Dunbar; sisters, Diane Rafter of Florida, Teresa Noll of Arizona; nephews: William Bonner and Lee

Bonner of Arizona; great-nephews, Rylan Bonner and Cameron Bonner.

In addition to his parents he was preceded by a brother-in-law, Cliff Rafter.

The memorial mass will be held 11:00 AM, Monday, July 24, 2023 at Saint Ann Catholic Church in Cadillac with Rev. Fr. Michal Janowski as celebrant. Friends may meet the family Sunday from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Peterson Funeral and Cremation Services in Cadillac. His final resting place will be Mount Carmel Cemetery in Cadillac.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **23.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Peterson Funeral and Cremation Services
205 East Cass Street
Cadillac, MI 49601
info@petersonfh.com

Funeral Service

JUL **24.** 11:00 AM.

Saint Ann Catholic Church

Tribute Wall

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“ I used to work construction as a plumber and spent many a time in the ditch John was digging. I never felt any safer with anyone watching over the ditch I was in. John was one of the best excavator I know. Rest in peace John you will be missed. RIP my friend.

pat Foster - August 03, 2023 at 09:55 PM



“ Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of John P. Dunbar.



July 21, 2023 at 10:11 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of John P. Dunbar.



July 20, 2023 at 10:28 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of John P. Dunbar.



July 20, 2023 at 12:54 AM

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“ Jennifer Baughan-Fuzi lit a candle in memory of John P. Dunbar



Jennifer Baughan-Fuzi - July 19, 2023 at 03:41 PM

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“ Condolences to the whole family on the loss of a very good man. John was a hard worker with a great reputation and a wonderful family. He will be sorely missed in this community and beyond.

Tim O'Neill - July 17, 2023 at 11:17 AM

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Thanks so much Tim... we miss him so much already. The blessing is that his pain has ended and he is resting in peace.

Teresa Dunbar for the family of John

Teresa Dunbar Noll - July 29, 2023 at 10:38 PM

BH

“ So sorry Diane and family to hear of John's passing. Such a great neighbor for so many years. We will miss seeing him out in the yard doing his thing! Many thoughts and prayers to all of you.
Jim and Brenda Herald

Brenda Herald - July 15, 2023 at 11:31 AM