



John C. Trook

October 9, 1937 - October 7, 2022

John Carleton Trook, 84, of Huntington, passed away at 5:05 am Friday, October 7, 2022, at Heritage Pointe of Huntington IN.

John was born on October 9, 1937, in Peru, IN, the son of Carleton Trook and Rosalyn (Gallagher) Trook. He graduated from Huntington High School with the class of 1955 and went on to receive his bachelor's degree in history from Huntington College. He spent many years teaching, but most will remember him as an antique dealer. He faithfully attended church at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church and New Hope Church both of Huntington, IN.

John was a simple man that enjoyed making others smile. His greatest pleasure was performing magic tricks for kids. He loved dogs from a young age and was passionate about teaching them how to play musical instruments. He enjoyed going to auctions and was a collector of primitive items. John's history major inspired him to learn more about the Amish faith and traditions. He spent several years teaching the Amish children.

Survivors include his sister, Carole Hacker of Huntington, IN; niece, Joy (Don) Conley of Huntington, IN; two great nieces, Michelle Storms of FL, Elizabeth Ringer of IN. He is preceded in death by his father, Carleton L. Trook and mother, Rosalyn Trook.

Visitation will be from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN. Funeral Mass will be held at 10:00 am Thursday, October 13, 2022, at Ss. Peter and Paul Church, 860 Cherry Street, Huntington, IN, with Fr. Tony Steinacker officiating. There will be one hour of visitation prior to the service. Burial will be in Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Huntington.

Preferred memorials to the St Jude's Children's Hospital and Riley Hospital for Children, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at www.baileylove.com.

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of John Carleton Trook.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary
35 West Park Drive
Huntington, IN 46750
(260) 356-1710
wecare@baileylove.com
<https://www.baileylove.com>

Funeral Mass

OCT **13**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
860 Cherry St.
Huntington, IN

Burial

OCT **13** (ET)

Mt. Calvary Cemetery
5025 N. Goshen Rd
Huntington, IN 46750

Tribute Wall



“ Bailey-Love Mortuary has created this video tribute in memory of John Trook.



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - October 11, 2022 at 01:43 PM

SC

I can not tell you how much I enjoyed this video of a gentle man everyone knew and respected. I never knew his parents but “Kudos to them” for raising a gentle soul. If more children were raised in this manner, we would still be living in peace and harmony. RIP Mr Trook. You were a lovely soul!and a true pillar in our community. God loves you!

Sheila Christen - October 12, 2022 at 09:50 PM

AK

Thank you for posting this. It was nice to be able to watch it since I didn't get to go to the viewing. God bless you!

Amanda Kochel - October 13, 2022 at 01:47 PM

DP

A kind and gentle soul.

Deb Pearson - October 14, 2022 at 11:37 AM

MC

A very awesome video. Thank you so much. John was my school teacher and we kept in touch throughout our lives. He was my largest inspiration. I will never forget him.

Mike Corrigan - February 08, 2023 at 10:36 PM

SB

“ Sam Bovio lit a candle in memory of John Trook



Sam Bovio - June 18, 2023 at 11:19 PM

NB

“ I am so sorry to learn of John Trook leaving this life, and I send heartfelt condolences to his family and friends. Mr. Trook was my eighth grade history teacher and home room teacher. He was one of the best teachers I had. He was enthusiastic about his subject and knew it well. Better than the history lessons, though, I am blessed that I was in his home room. He took an active interest in his students. He took the time to patiently instruct our class on proper etiquette when dining out. Our eighth grade class trip to Chicago included a nice restaurant and we practiced what we had learned. To this day, I know which utensils to use and in which order, plus the placement of napkins. Thank you, Mr. Trook! We had fun sledding trips and cookouts. Who is brave enough to do that with a bunch of squirrely middle schoolers? Mr. Trook came to our house one time and swung on our rope in the barn with us kids. A fun, unforgettable memory! Our whole class was happy to see him when he attended one of our class reunions at the Darley barn. A few years ago, before Covid, I had the pleasure of talking with John a bit at the Boarshead Festival. I was amazed at his memories of those times long ago. I was hoping I would run into him again this year, but he's been called Home, so I will treasure the legacy he leaves behind, for me, and so many others. Nonda

Nonda Bolyard - December 02, 2022 at 03:43 PM



“ I first met John when my parents bought antiques from him- that was about 55 or 60 years ago...every time decades later I would see him he'd reconnect and chat ...what a sweet man

Diana Clausen - October 28, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ We have known John for over 50 years. He has always been a sweet gentleman soul. We will miss him. Tom & Cathy Burns

Catherine Burns - October 18, 2022 at 06:09 PM



“ I just learned of John's passing today. I wondered why I had not seen him around town. I will always remember his smile when he would attend HU events and his car always seemed to be loaded with treasures. One particular year I remember seeing a large stuffed Kermit the Frog sticking out of his trunk getting snowed on. I gave him a hard time about that! He was ever so sweet and I will think of him whenever I am antiquing. Joni Killian

Joni Killian - October 18, 2022 at 04:51 PM



“ Jason lit a candle in memory of John Trook



Jason - October 13, 2022 at 11:51 AM

KC

“ I enjoyed listening to John’s stories. I would be outside working and he would say, “Kandi, come over here and sit with me for a bit. Take a break and let’s enjoy the beautiful view of your home so you can appreciate it like I do.” A little break would turn into an hour. I will miss him knocking on my door late at night to visit and me walking him home. Yes I would walk him home even though it was just across the street. Love you John. You will missed by many.

Kandi Camomile - October 13, 2022 at 04:39 AM

PG

“ I know your smiling somewhere...God Speed
John



patricia Guithues - October 12, 2022 at 12:01 PM

DS

“ I remember John as he walked the streets of Bluffton, saw him many times but did not really know him. I thought he also tuned pianos, perhaps did mine once? He knew a lot of people. Diana Sell

Diana Sell - October 11, 2022 at 10:01 PM

TM

“ John always loved Auctions and could be found in the front row of nearly every auction Larry F Wells and Peggy had. John never met a stranger and was very knowledgeable in antiques. He will be greatly missed. Rest In Peace until we meet again John. Teresa Mase (Snyder)

teresa mase - October 11, 2022 at 07:54 PM

TF

“ *The antique world will be missed by John Trook by his knowledge and humor.*

The Somers family - October 11, 2022 at 01:11 PM

MW

“ *He was such a sweet man. Enjoyed talking with him. He will be missed.*



Mary Waters - October 11, 2022 at 08:29 AM

TS

“ *To John's family and friends our thoughts and prayers are with you.*
Terry and Sue



Terry E Scher - October 10, 2022 at 08:14 PM

GI

“ *Gay John Ingold lit a candle in memory of John Trook*



Gay and John Ingold - October 10, 2022 at 04:11 PM

PW

“ *Peggy Wells lit a candle in memory of John Trook*



Peggy Wells - October 10, 2022 at 09:29 AM

CS

“ *Such an amazing person. He had a worth of knowledge in him.*



Carol Ness Smith - October 10, 2022 at 12:38 AM

JB

“ *John was a great conversationalist in the back booth at Nick's. I can remember conversations we had when I was very young. Memories recently 45 years later.*



Jean Anne Bailey - October 09, 2022 at 11:20 PM

TM

“ *John never met a stranger and was a blessing to all who knew him. I never came back to Huntington without stopping to visit him in one of his antique stores. I always enjoyed speaking with him. He was a great person.*

Tanner Michael - October 09, 2022 at 11:04 PM

GF

“ John was a devout, gentle, and faithful Christian, and a good friend to me and to so many in the greater Huntington area. I will miss his smile, kind words, and good sense of humor. Thumbs up, John, for all you've done for all of us. And as we pray for you, dear friend, please pray for us.

George Foster - October 09, 2022 at 10:28 PM



“ Dawn Stanley lit a candle in memory of John Trook



Dawn Stanley - October 09, 2022 at 10:01 PM

GF

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CC

“ Cyndi Crews lit a candle in memory of John Trook



Cyndi Crews - October 09, 2022 at 09:55 PM

CC

“ John you will be missed by many. You were a kind and good man. Rest in Heaven.

Cyndi Crews - October 09, 2022 at 09:54 PM

LI

“ My husband and I always enjoyed talking to John. We always laughed with him about how he piled up his car. He was a very friendly person. He will be missed

LindaCurry - October 09, 2022 at 09:32 PM



“ We have had the pleasure of knowing John for many many years and have missed him . so sorry to hear of his passing , he will be missed by many. a great guy.

Barry Cochran - October 09, 2022 at 09:18 PM

RK

“ John was a teacher. He was respectable as a human being. Life lived with smile forward. May your place at the table be set and ready for you.



RhondaBauer Kattau - October 09, 2022 at 08:35 PM

SM

“ It was always a pleasure to visit with John. His life was a piece of history here in our town. I'm thankful for all the good he accomplished during his years on this earth. Sue Maynard and John Uhl.

sue maynard - October 09, 2022 at 06:13 PM

MS

“ *Melanie Shockome lit a candle in memory of John Trook*



Melanie Shockome - October 09, 2022 at 05:39 PM

RW

“ *Johnny was always a special neighbor! He could talk about any subject with you! Visited his store many times even after moving away from Huntington. My Mom and Dad thought your entire family were very loving and special. Johnny is in Heaven now wheeling and dealing with all the angels for wonderful items to give to the needy. I know I will miss him. God surround you with His loving arms. You are in my prayers.. Rita Ackermann Weber*

Rita Weber - October 09, 2022 at 04:52 PM

AP

“ *John was a great friend and mentor to me during my time in undergrad at Huntington University. A couple memories that stick out to me are the time I drove him out to South Whitley to visit with his Amish friends. I remember fondly spending time with him and his dog, Mozart. Thanks for being my friend and sharing a joke or two. You'd like this one: "why didn't the coast guard save the hippies?" -"because they were way far out, man!"*

Austin Pettigrew - October 09, 2022 at 04:24 PM

RN

“ Thoughts and prayers for the family. Tim & Renee and Andy Ness



Renee Ness - October 09, 2022 at 02:37 PM

LO

“ John would come to the hospital every day for lunch and tell us kitchen staff about his adventures. And on Valentine’s Day he would bring us roses and candy. He was a sweet man and I will miss him. Prayers to the family.



Lounnette - October 09, 2022 at 02:34 PM

LV

“ My sincerest condolences to Carol and the rest of the family. I will always cherish my memories of John. ❤️



Lisa (Hoffman) Vincent - October 09, 2022 at 02:12 PM

June Frederick

“ June Frederick lit a candle in memory of John Trook



June Frederick - October 09, 2022 at 12:21 PM

DK

“ Debra Kriegbaum lit a candle in memory of John Trook



Debra Katherine Kriegbaum - October 09, 2022 at 12:10 PM

SG

“ Preparing a teatime with you in heaven, John. ; Gladys Tabor.

Sara Goldstein - October 09, 2022 at 11:16 AM

RS

“ Ron Shockome lit a candle in memory of John Trook



Ron Shockome - October 09, 2022 at 10:54 AM

MP

“ Mark Pequignot lit a candle in memory of John Trook



Mark Pequignot - October 09, 2022 at 10:17 AM

NM

“ *Nancy Mccoart lit a candle in memory of John Trook*



Nancy L Mccoart - October 09, 2022 at 09:52 AM

CG

*Our entire family appreciated John Trook for the fun guy he was & all he knew about so many subjects.
He was so good to the kids. Phil & Chris Gauntt*

Christine Gauntt - October 10, 2022 at 11:43 AM