



John D. Updike

July 11, 1943 - August 5, 2017

John D. Updike, age 74, of Huntington, died at 2:23 p.m. Saturday, August 5, 2017 at Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.

A gathering of family and friends will be from 2 - 6 pm, Sunday, August 20, 2017 at Salamonie Church of the Brethren 2662 W - 600 S, Warren, IN 46792.

Preferred memorials are to American Red Cross or Children of St. Labre Indian School, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana, 46750.

John was born July 11, 1943 in Huntington, the son of Max E. and Mary Ann (Waltz) Updike. He graduated from Lancaster High School in 1961 and was a 1967 graduate of Purdue University. He married Marsha F. Walker on June 25, 1966 in Huntington. He worked for the United States Army Corps of Engineers as an area manager.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years, Marsha F. Updike of Huntington; two sons - Tim A. Updike and Daniel J. (Jamie) Updike, both of Huntington; a daughter - Juatanne (Steve) Gersos of Fort Wayne; four granddaughters - Siera L. Updike of Kendallville and Sophie M. Updike, Hollyn M. Updike, and Ada M. Updike, all of Huntington; four grandsons - PV2 Brock M. Updike of Ft. Stewart, Georgia, Ethan I. Gersos and Noah D. Gersos, both of Fort Wayne,

and Silas J. Updike of Huntington; two sisters - Carol (Ron) Burns and Debra (Dorm) Baker, both of Roanoke, and a brother, Joe (Teresa) Updike of Huntington. His parents precede him in death.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **20**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Salamonie Church of the Brethren
2662 W. 600 S.
Warren, IN 46792

Tribute Wall

MU

“ To all those who sent online condolences for the family of John D. Updike -
We would like to express our great appreciation for your thoughts and prayers, words of comfort and memories shared. Your reaching out at this time of sadness means so much to us. Thank you, John's family.

Marsha Updike - September 01, 2017 at 01:39 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of John D. Updike.



August 14, 2017 at 02:39 PM

SB

“ I knew John in school & my family & I lived down the road on what was then called 9/37.
John was always very kind when he was a child & a teenager.
I am so sorry for your loss!
My brother Harry Crawford was in John's grade in school.
My son Earl III is a semi truck driver & he stopped on the back road which used to be our farm & John stopped & introduced himself & when my son told him who lived there years ago he remembered.
John was very courteous & I know he will be missed.

Shirley (Crawford) Bailey - August 09, 2017 at 08:38 PM

RN

“ *My heart aches for you at this time. I liked talking to John about the grandkids and how they enjoyed being out in nature learning things. John always had a kind word and a sweet smile. He will be greatly missed. Cherish your memories. Roger, Sr & Helen Newsome.*

RogerHelen Newsome - August 09, 2017 at 11:55 AM

RR

“ *Juatanne,*

I'm so sorry for you, Steve and your family's loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Remember the good and the great times, I'm sure there are a lot. It's never easy, but it does get better - remember the smile!

Randy and Diane Raypole

Randy Raypole - August 09, 2017 at 10:28 AM

ML

“ *Marsha and family,*

So very sorry for your loss. I have many great memories hanging out with Juatanne at your house. Prayers for you all at this difficult time.

Michelle Arivett Lynch

Michelle Lynch - August 08, 2017 at 06:07 PM

SH

“ John was one of the best people I ever worked with in the Corps of Engineers. His honesty, humor, and good will were always a welcome treat and a source of comfort to a great many people. Know that many people share in your loss,

*Steve Hornbeck
Buckhannon, WV*

Steve Hornbeck - August 08, 2017 at 12:56 PM

TW

“ Marsha,

Know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Tammy Whitenack

Tammy Whitenack - August 08, 2017 at 09:23 AM

DC

“ To All the Updike Family, we extend our sincerely sympathy. May God's Love comfort and guide you through the days ahead.
Doug & Deb Clark

Deb Clark - August 08, 2017 at 09:00 AM

MH

“ Marsha and family, my heart breaks for you. I know John fought as hard as he could. Tom so looked up to John and felt a true kindship. Both men had a great last visit and spoke deep thoughts to one another right before Tom passed . With time your pain will ease,, John's is finally over. Sending hugs.

Marcia Herzog

Marcia Herzog - August 08, 2017 at 07:53 AM

VM

“ *Marsha and family,
Please accept our sympathy on your loss of John.
Val and Sadie McIntire*

Val McIntire - August 08, 2017 at 06:20 AM

CK

“ *Marsha, so sorry for your loss, Diana and I will keep you and your
family in our prayers.*

cliff kingrey - August 07, 2017 at 04:18 PM