



John Earl Andrews

February 21, 1968 - July 5, 2016

John Earl Andrews, 48, passed away Tuesday, July 5, 2016. He was born February 21, 1968 in Winchester, Massachusetts to Henry Andres and Rebecca Curtis Andrews. He was an Army Veteran. Survivors include wife, Tonya Hiler Curtis; daughter, Brittney Andrews, Cheyenne, Wyoming, Brittney Day, Winchester, and Kristen Lena'e Curtis, Booneville; Grandchildren, Shaylyn Leach and Jayden Fox; Brother, Lonnie Andrews, Stanton; Sisters, Sandra Kay and husband Gary Coleman, Stanton, Lisa Lorraine and husband John Baldrige, Lexington; niece and nephews, Christina Marie Coleman Williams and husband Jeffery, Christopher Coleman, Javan Baldrige, all of Lexington, Services, Wednesday, July 6, 2016 10:00 AM Elkins Cemetery, Clay City.


Tribute Wall

LB

“ *Lisa Bradshaw lit a candle in memory of John Earl Andrews*



Lisa Bradshaw - July 08, 2016 at 10:52 PM

 Connie Kirk Centers

“ *Connie Kirk Centers lit a candle in memory of John Earl Andrews*



Connie Kirk Centers - July 07, 2016 at 12:56 PM

MM

“ *Marcella McCarty lit a candle in memory of John Earl Andrews*



Marcella McCarty - July 07, 2016 at 09:25 AM

LS

“ I grew up with John on Airport Rd. As kids do, we fought sometimes, and shortly after we would be playing together with the rest of the gang (the McFarland's, Lynch's, Kirby's, Barryman's, Robert Rice, my brother Mike, and myself). We played sports, built forts, played cards in the airport building, and fished. On the last day of school we had our annual mud and water fights. (We all thought we were tough with our nunchucks). We did some crazy things like sled riding down a hill onto a frozen pond. We would swing on grapevines. In the summer when the river was up we would jump in and ride the currents for no more than a mile and go back and do it again. After high school John and I were stationed at Ft. Hood, TX. We would visit (John really loved his motorcycle) and we also traveled on the same military exercises. Several years ago, we met again, and talked about doing martial arts together. But we lost contact, and never had the chance. I hope this brings some fond memories. My deepest sympathy to the family from Larry Smith.

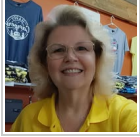
Larry Smith - July 06, 2016 at 09:15 PM

SA

“ I'm so sorry for your loss Aunt Tonya....I am praying for you and the family.I wished there was something I could do to change it and make it all better ... I love you and if you need anything I'm here for you..sorry 😞



Susan Austin - July 06, 2016 at 05:48 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Sandy Coleman - July 06, 2016 at 05:06 PM

KC

“ *Kristen Curtis sent a virtual gift in memory of John Earl Andrews*



Kristen Curtis - July 06, 2016 at 11:06 AM

RB

“ *Rhonda Allen Barnett lit a candle in memory of John Earl Andrews*



Rhonda Allen Barnett - July 06, 2016 at 05:20 AM

TO

“ *My sincere condolences to all of you.*



Tonjah - July 06, 2016 at 04:28 AM

AM

“ John and I was in school together elementary and on. I used to run around Airport when I was young and there was always a group of kids that would hang out together. John was always full of life and made everyone laugh. We would talk sometimes most of the night on the phone. I lost touch with him after Highschool but I'm sure he probably always lived life to the fullest. Prayers to his wife, parents, and sisters he was a special kind of kid and I'm sure he will be missed by all that knew him. Even though I never saw him after our school years I'm sure in my heart he lived life to the fullest. Prayers to all near and dear to him.

Amber Foster Mullins - July 06, 2016 at 02:26 AM

SK

“ Sean King sent a virtual gift in memory of John Earl Andrews



sean king - July 05, 2016 at 09:54 PM

MR

“ Mike & Carrie Rogers purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John Earl Andrews.



Mike & Carrie Rogers - July 05, 2016 at 09:51 PM

DK

“ So heartbreaking to hear the news of Johns passing. My prayers are with his family. I haven't know him for very long but I know I could call him a friend.



Dovie Shuler Knox - July 05, 2016 at 09:46 PM

NQ

“ Norma B Quintana lit a candle in memory of John Earl Andrews



Norma B Quintana - July 05, 2016 at 09:46 PM

PG

“ Sorry to hear about your son, Becky and Henry. Our heart goes out to you. May God comfort you at this time and shield you in His care. Love you all. Our Sympathy goes out to you. Phyllis Neal Grashel.

Phyllis Neal Grashel - July 05, 2016 at 09:40 PM



“ Shelley Brown lit a candle in memory of John Earl Andrews



Shelley Brown - July 05, 2016 at 08:27 PM

 Tonya
Andrews

“ *Tonya Andrews lit a candle in memory of John Earl Andrews*



Tonya Andrews - July 05, 2016 at 07:43 PM

“Neighbors for a time beginning when John was twelve (directly across the street from each other), he immediately became a vital part of our energetic yet harmless gang of kids along Airport Road in Stanton. We played all the sports we loved in and out of season (hoops were nonstop and we loved playing full contact football in the snow), and during idyllic summer nights pretended to camp out in my backyard so we could chase each other through the neighborhood, sneak into the hangars to nick beer out of the pilots' refrigerator, talk about girls, lie in the grass and look at the stars, climb the tower that stood then in front of the oldest hangars and enjoy our own version of the endless summer.

After living around twenty years in Lexington and then working in downtown Baltimore and Pennsylvania, I found myself back in the community where we grew up. After serving his country and seeing a lot of the world for himself, John returned as well. Inevitably in such a small community, we renewed our friendship. Older now, books, chess and conversation replaced the sports of our youth. Along with his love for Tonya and the life they were joyously building, we made new memories. And that is a blessing for which I will always be grateful.

It would be my most fervent wish now that John could somehow hear the words of my favorite poet, Rainer Maria Rilke, the words with which I shall close:

*“Extinguish my eyes, I'll go on seeing you.
Seal my ears, I'll go on hearing you.
And without feet I can make my way to you,
without a mouth I can swear your name.*

*Break off my arms, I'll take hold of you
with my heart as with a hand.
Stop my heart, and my brain will start to beat.
And if you consume my brain with fire,
I'll feel you burn in every drop of my blood.”*

Farewell and love to you, John, vibrant and eternal in the treasure vault of our precious memory.

--Ed Lynch



Ed Lynch - July 05, 2016 at 07:01 PM



Tonya Andrews

Love this Ed. Made me cry again.

Tonya Andrews - July 05, 2016 at 07:40 PM



Jackie Burns

{tears} Thank you so much Ed, for sharing these memories.

Jackie Burns - July 05, 2016 at 08:39 PM



Gina Parks-Caudill

Wonderful & Emotional! Thanks for sharing such wonderful memories in the life of John.

Gina Parks-Caudill - July 05, 2016 at 08:53 PM



EL

Humble thanks. As I told a friend, it wrote itself.

Ed Lynch - July 05, 2016 at 11:12 PM



Sandy Coleman

I read this to mom , dad and Lisa, it brought back so many Memories. Thanks for sharing. <3

Sandy Coleman - July 06, 2016 at 03:35 PM

LM

“ *Lavonna Meadows lit a candle in memory of John Earl Andrews*



Lavonna Meadows - July 05, 2016 at 06:28 PM

PB

“ *Thoughts & prayers for the family!!*



Patty Billings - July 05, 2016 at 06:09 PM

CB

“ *Charles And Juanita Boyd lit a candle in memory of John Earl Andrews*



charles and juanita Boyd - July 05, 2016 at 06:00 PM

KC

“ *Kristen Curtis lit a candle in memory of John Earl Andrews*



Kristen Curtis - July 05, 2016 at 05:35 PM

TA

“ 20 files added to the tribute wall



Tonya Andrews - July 05, 2016 at 05:33 PM

KC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Kristen Curtis - July 05, 2016 at 05:23 PM

RH

“ *Rest In Peace Brother.*



Russell D Hiler - July 05, 2016 at 04:46 PM