



John A. Brashear

August 22, 1957 - January 29, 2024

John Alvin Brashear Jr., age 66, passed away peacefully on Monday morning, January 29, 2024, at his home in Flint, Michigan.

John was born on August 22, 1957, to John Sr. and Joyce Peterson Brashear. He was born in Sturgis, Kentucky. A small Kentucky town near the Ohio River in Union County. He was the oldest of four brothers: brothers James, Robert, and Roger. His parents divorced and his mother remarried. Harley and Joyce Harner had a daughter named Lisanne. John's half-sister.

John loved nature and the outdoors, and especially going for walks in the woods of Kentucky.

He loved to shoot his .22 rifle, and many a snake met its fate at the hands of his marksmanship. He would go to the Land Between the Lakes, a national recreation area, and explore the 170,000 acres and camp in isolated places, spring, summer, fall and winter. He was quite an adventurer, making multiple trips to the Smokey Mountains, Florida Everglades, The Grand Tetons, Yellowstone, Upper Peninsula, Mi. etc. He had an insatiable desire to explore the natural beauty of this world.

John's love of the outdoors lead him to earn a Bachelor's Degree in Forestry from the University of Kentucky (Lexington, Ky.) in June 1987. He was gifted

at tree identification. Characteristics used to identify trees are leaves, needles, bark, branching, fruit, flowers, and buds. He knew common and Latin names for the trees. He had a great love for God's creation.

Another love of John was his knack of putting down thoughts and feelings on paper in the form of poetry. He would honor many people by drafting a personal poem just for them. It was a treat for those people. Getting his thoughts and feelings on paper was a great delight for John. His dream was to get his poems published and circulated. Though the poems were never published, they were circulated to his friends, family, and acquaintances.

As a young man, he worked for his father John Brashear Sr. in home construction and custom brick work for homes. He worked at Adelphian Academy Mill in Holly, Michigan. He also worked as a parts driver for Napa Auto Parts and Quality Pontiac in Waterford, Michigan, this was the job that he liked the most. Eagle Data office equipment manufacturing in Holly, Michigan. And then he had his own taxi business called Acoustic Houga.

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“ *I miss you Johnly! Our mom would be so sad knowing that you died. At least she didn't have to grieve her oldest son's death. They are both resting now, at peace and not suffering anymore. LOVE you both- John Brashear and Joyce Harner.*

Lisanne Harner Donohue - October 30, 2024 at 03:13 AM