



John E. Powell

September 6, 1943 - November 27, 2019

John (Johnnie) E. Powell, age 76 of Powell, Ohio passed away at his home surrounded by his loving family on November 27, 2019 after a lengthy battle with Cancer.

John graduated from Springfield South HS, was Alumni from The Ohio State University and played hockey for few years while there. He went on in his professional life to serve as the supervisor of the OBGYN Research Labs at Ohio State working for the World Health Organization (WHO) and National Institute of Health (NIH) for 49 years combined. Early in his career he developed birth control / vaccines for third world organizations. During those years he traveled all over the world implementing trials and establishing labs abroad. Outside of his many distinguished accomplishments, one of his greatest was developing a cancer vaccine that was slated for use overseas. John uniquely spent 36 of his 49 years working closely with his wife who also worked in the research labs. John and his wife Sandy loved to travel buying their first travel trailer in 1990 and then on to joining the Holiday Rambler RV Club "HOOTS" where they made endless friends and traveled all over the US and Canada for almost 28 years. John served As National Director for Region II and National President of Holiday Rambler for 4+ years as well as serving in many other capacities to the organization over the years. John also had a detailed eye for do it yourself projects over the years and loved sharing his knowledge with his sons and friends.

Born September 6, 1943 John was preceded in death by his loving parents, Robert and Martha Powell, two sisters, Julia Downey and Nancy Herron, and his beloved wife and soulmate of 56 years, Sandra (Sandy) Powell. John is survived by 2 sons, Mark and his spouse Renee, Jeffrey (Jeff) and his spouse Cheryl; 5 Grandchildren and spouses; 1 Great Grandchild; and two sisters, Sandra Mendenhall and Carol Groeber. Services will be held at RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME, 450 West Olentangy Street, Powell, OH 43065. Visitation will be held Thursday December 5 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM with a Celebration of Life service at 7 PM. John will be cremated and laid to rest with Sandy at Union Cemetery, 3349 Olentangy River Rd, Columbus, OH 43202. For site information stop at Union Cemetery office or call (614) 267-5471

Events

DEC **Visitation** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell

450 West Olentangy Street, Powell, OH, US, 43065

DEC **Memorial Service** 07:00PM

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Comments



“ We are deeply saddened by this news. We were friends of John and Sandy through HRRVC and enjoyed many good times meeting up at our rallies. Our deepest condolences to the family. Ginny and Ken Yelland, Oxford, PA

Ginny and Ken Yelland - December 04 at 07:33 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of John E. Powell.



December 04 at 01:00 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of John E. Powell.



December 04 at 05:33 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of John E. Powell.



December 04 at 12:26 AM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of John E. Powell.



December 03 at 07:26 PM



“ Judy Mastrine purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of John E. Powell.



Judy Mastrine - December 02 at 12:55 PM



“ Suki lit a candle in memory of John E. Powell



Suki - December 02 at 12:04 PM



“ John,

You are so loved by everyone in the office. Your positive attitude was contagious. We will miss you dearly, but now you are with Sandy again.

Rest in Heaven John,

Suki

Suki - December 02 at 12:09 PM



“ Voss Bros. Power Equipment, Powell purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of John E. Powell.



Voss Bros. Power Equipment, Powell - December 02 at 11:47 AM



“ Mandi Davis lit a candle in memory of John E. Powell



Mandi Davis - December 02 at 11:25 AM



“ John will be greatly missed, he was one of my favorite patients that i had the pleasure of meeting and caring for, along with his wife Sandy. He was always full of smiles and very pleasant when he came to see me. Deepest sympathy for his family during this difficult time. Please feel free to reach out to our office if you need anything.

Mandi at Dr Im's office

Mandi Davis - December 02 at 11:38 AM



“ Hello Mark and Jeff

Sad to hear from Nancy tonight that your father passed away. My deepest sympathy to both of you and your families. Unfortunately I lost touch with John and Sandy. I did not find out about your mother's passing until a couple of months ago. I tried to contact your father but was unsuccessful.

I have known John since 1989 when I joined Ob/Gyn. John was very helpful in managing my NIH account as well as my 14th American Peptide Symposium accounts. He was thorough and very helpful. We became good friends. Unfortunately as our lives took different paths, we did not stay connected.

My appreciation of your Dad and Sandy was always very high. He was a great scientist and very knowledgeable and we use to banter quite a bit.

Please accept my condolences. I am unfortunately leaving town to-morrow morning and will not be able to visit on Thursday and attend the memorial.

Best Regards
Pravin Kaumaya
Professor Ob/Gyn and James Cancer Center

Pravin Kaumaya - December 01 at 07:18 PM