



John Nicholas Klein

January 6, 1944 - May 30, 2021

John Nicholas Klein, born January 6, 1944 in Washington DC to late Oscar Daniel (OD) Klein and Mabel (Honey) Heifner Klein, died May 30, 2021, following a long battle with Brain tumors. He is preceded in death by his sister, Ann Klein Ross. He is survived by his loving soulmate of 37 years Melinda L. Murphy; nephews Ronald Ross (Glenside, PA) and Karl Ross (E. Wallingford, VT) and niece Elizabeth Ross (Brooklyn, NY); by great nieces and nephews Nicholas Ross (Oakland, CA), Nathan Ross (Melbourne, Australia), Katherine Noble (Johannesburg, South Africa), Anika Ross (Philadelphia, PA), Eleanor Ross (Arlington, VA) and Rachel Ross (Oakland, CA); and great-great nephew Ross Patrick Noble and great-great niece Ava Lee Noble (Johannesburg, South Africa).

John was raised in Iowa (Alden and Iowa Falls). After serving in the US Army during the Vietnam conflict he returned to Antioch College to complete his degree in Economics. John moved to Davis CA to become a partner in an innovative housing development, Village Homes. While living in Davis he was an active member of a Quaker Meeting. He also completed a training in The Feldenkrais Method®.

On January 1, 1984, John met and became a faithful companion to Melinda. They moved to Philadelphia PA, and in 1998, moved to Columbus OH to be near Melinda's family.

He was known to all as a kind and honest man always ready to pitch in with his diverse skills including all construction trades, book keeping and editing.

He loved hiking, gardening, theatre, and playing board games with friends. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions be made in memory of John to the Neuro-Oncology Novel Therapies and Research Fund (Fund #314420) at the OSU James Cancer Hospital. Gifts can be made online at go.osu.edu/JohnKlein or by check mailed to The James at PO Box 183112, Columbus, OH 43218-3112.

The date for the memorial for John Klein has been changed due to his fully vaccinated, closest relatives, testing positive for covid-19. The gathering will now be held on Saturday, August 7 at 2:00, at Sunset Cemetery, 6959 West Broad Street. Galloway OH 43119. In case of inclement weather, we will meet at an indoor location (to be determined) We will gather at the Villa Nova restaurant following the service. If you would like to attend, please RSVP Melinda at melmurph@msn.com or text/call (614)397-2013 If you can, please send a brief memory or quality that you think of when you remember at John. It can be a word, phrase, sentence or paragraph. Thank you all for your kind words and support.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 7. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Sunset Cemetery
6959 W. Broad St.
Galloway, OH 43119
(614) 878-4692

Tribute Wall



“ *John Nicholas Klein*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM