



John A Stottlemyer

February 16, 1933 - October 12, 2017

John A Stottlemyer, of Worthington (age 84), passed away from complications of Lymphoma on Thursday, October 12, 2017. He spent his last days peacefully at Kobacker House with his family gathered around him. John was born on February 16, 1933 in Dayton, Ohio to Doris and Samuel Stottlemyer. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Eleanor; sister and brother in law Ann and Ted Hardy; children Karen Payne (Dan), John Stottlemyer (Randi), Amy Campbell (Joe), Beth Battreall (Chris), Eric Stottlemyer (Jessica); grandchildren Jessica Campbell, Jenna (Payne) Phillips (Nick), Ian Campbell, Kelsey Payne, Sidney Campbell, Samuel Payne, Fern Stottlemyer and Juniper Stottlemyer; nephews Greg Hardy and Douglas Hardy.

John grew up in Dayton, Ohio and graduated from Fairview High School in 1951. He played football at Miami University (1955) and was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. John and Eleanor met at Miami and faithfully attended many class and fraternity reunions well into their retirement. Upon graduation, John served in the United States Air Force for four years, stationed in France and Germany. He was a First LT fighter pilot, and for the rest of his life he retained his love for his F-100 airplane. John and Eleanor were married in 1957 in Etain, France, and they lived in Europe for the duration of his service in the Air Force. Back in the United States, John spent his entire 38 year career at The Ohio State University. He started in the business office and ended his career as Director of Management Studies. During the 1970s, he oversaw the implementation of campus-wide computer systems. He was an

avid Buckeye fan and rarely missed a home football game in over 40 years. As young parents, John and Eleanor were very involved at Immaculate Conception Church and CFM (Christian Family Movement). John was also actively involved in the Worthington Historical Society and the Ohio Historical Society. Throughout his life, John had many, many interests, passions, and hobbies. He was very well travelled and loved all types of music, opera and the arts. He loved astronomy, sports, and history, and he was a talented artist. John was a life long learner, constantly pursuing new interests. He wrote a lengthy proclamation professing his love for God and explaining his Christian faith and beliefs. Above all else he loved his family. He was a true patriarch and a loving husband, father and grandfather. The family is grateful for the excellent care he received at the James Cancer Hospital and at Kobacker House. Special thanks to Father Dean Mathewson and Father Vinny McKiernan for their ministry to John and his family during his final days. Calling hours are 10:00am – 12:00pm Thursday, October 19 at Rutherford–Corbin Funeral Home, 515 High Street, Worthington. A Memorial Service will be held at Rutherford-Corbin Friday, October 20 at 11:00am. Private burial to be attended by the family. Donations in John’s name can be made to Neighborhood Services, 1950 North 4th Street, Columbus, OH 43201 or B.R.E.A.D. Organization, 404 S. Third Street, Columbus, 43215. Condolences to www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **19**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home
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Memorial Service

OCT **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PH

“ *Bud Hensley - grew up with John on Emerson Ave. in Dayton. Just wondered if this was the same John?* ”

Paul (Bud) Hensley - July 20, 2025 at 02:08 PM



“ *John A Stottlemyer* ”

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM

RP

“ *Ellie, so sorry. Roger Pry* ”

ROGER F PRY - October 19, 2017 at 04:11 PM

RC

“ *randle and dortha cox purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of John A Stottlemyer.* ”



randle and dortha cox - October 19, 2017 at 08:06 AM

RM

“ *Rpger Meyer sent a virtual gift in memory of John A Stottlemyer* ”



Rpger Meyer - October 18, 2017 at 06:24 PM

JG

“ Julie, Maggie, Patrick, Aunt Debbie and Uncle George purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of John A Stottlemeyer.



Julie, Maggie, Patrick, Aunt Debbie and Uncle George -
October 18, 2017 at 11:53 AM

LY

“ Love Joe, Cindy and Sarah Yu purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of John A Stottlemeyer.



Love Joe, Cindy and Sarah Yu - October 17, 2017 at 08:27 PM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of John A Stottlemeyer.



October 16, 2017 at 03:10 PM

SH

“ Susan, Steve, Kaiti, Mike and Hannah purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John A Stottlemeyer.



Susan, Steve, Kaiti, Mike and Hannah - October 16, 2017 at
02:32 PM



“ *Ellie and family - I am remembering many many many fun times and hearty laughs with John during our Newman Center years. We think of you often and are so sorry for the distance over these many years. May you be comforted by all the great memories and your unceasing faith. Our love to all of you.*

Joani & Donovan McKinney

Joan McKinney - October 16, 2017 at 01:51 PM

HU

“ *God Bless and Thank YOU, 1st.Lt. Stottlemyer for your service in The United States Air Force..... And Semper Fi..... SIR.*



Herb Guyer-Sharfenaker USMC - October 16, 2017 at 01:01 PM

LF

“ My love and condolences to the Stottlemeyer family. "The LORD your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, He will quiet you with his love, He will reduce over you with singing." Zeph 3:17 Mr. Stottlemeyer was my best friend's (Amy) Dad while I was growing up. He was kind and liked to tease... always calling me Lucy instead of Lisa. Two memories. One is sledding down the Stottlemeyer's roller coaster back yard. I had gone down and back up a few times and just couldn't make it back up (now I know I had Asthma... didn't know at the time). He gave me a piggy back ride up while pulling my sled - 3 times 😊. Second is on many occasions coming into their house to the full swelling sounds of an opera... with Mr. Stottlemeyer seated in the living room with his head back and eyes closed, just soaking it in. 🎵🎶

lisa j. fox - October 16, 2017 at 09:32 AM

LF

The verse is meant to be REJOICE OVER YOU... Not "reduce". Sorry

lisa j. fox - October 16, 2017 at 09:34 AM

JW

Eleanor, so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family.

Sincerely, Jeanne Williamson

Jeanne Williamson - October 16, 2017 at 10:02 AM