

JOHN PETER MONIODES



At age 90 years old, John Peter Moniodes passed away peacefully on January 7, 2024, surrounded by his family. He was born on December 18, 1933, in Canonsburg, PA.

He was the son of the Late Peter and Irene (Hartofilax) Moniodes.

On September 25, 1960, he married his wife, Olga A. Pahoulis of 63 years and she survives.

John served as a Military Police Officer in the US Army 1st Cavalry Division and was a Korean War Veteran. He also played baseball for the US Army team that toured in Japan and Korea. He is a member of the St. George Greek Orthodox Church and Order of the AHEPA Chapter 156 Canonsburg.

After the military, he owned a restaurant in Corpus Christi, Texas, called the 5th Ave Cafe, with his brother and father. He was in the food distribution restaurant business for over 40 years. He worked for Hostess, Continental Coffee, Parkway Foods and US Food Service. He won several awards for his outstanding sales and becoming the first salesman to reach the million dollar award club. After his retirement, he was a snowbird in Florida with his wife. He was known for his one-liners and making people laugh with a straight face. He loved to tinker around the house and yard fixing things and gardening, especially his tomatoes. He loved his sweets such as coconut cream pie, chocolate cake, Reese's cups, circus peanuts and banana splits and always had a cup of black coffee in his hand.

His grandchildren were the light of his life. He loved to visit Delaware and take Kate to the beach and fishing. He loved to watch his namesake, John, play hockey and baseball. He loved having his grandchildren for extended vacations, eat ice cream and ride the tractor around the yard with him. He loved taking them fishing on his boat at Lake Arthur. John also coached summer league baseball for several years for Shenango Athletic Association.

He was an avid fisherman and hunter. In his free time, he loved being around his brothers at hunting camp, family vacations in Ocean City and at family gatherings, and at his brother Jim's farm. He was very close with all five of his brothers.

John was a die-hard Pittsburgh Steelers, Pirates, Penguins and Pitt fan. He loved to sit in his recliner, eat snacks and watch the Steelers games on Sundays. He thoroughly enjoyed smoking cigars for fifty years.

Surviving along with his wife are his two children: his son, Peter (Mary) Moniodes; and his daughter, Sylvia (David) Moniodes Henderson; his two grandchildren, Kate Elizabeth Henderson and John Peter Moniodes; his five younger brothers, William (Late Kalliope) Moniodes, James (Rita) Moniodes, late Chris (Peggy) Moniodes George Moniodes, and Peter "Gus" (Donna) Moniodes; and many nieces and nephews.

A Viewing will be held on Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at St. Elias Orthodox Church from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. A Liturgy Service will follow on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Church. Father Kevin Gregory Long will officiate.

Burial will be at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies, Cecil Township.

The Family would like to extend a special thanks to John's Caregivers, UPMC Avalon Place, Jameson ICU and all the staff and doctors.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the **ED & DON DECARBO FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY, INC.**, 941 South Mill St.

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