



Mr. John T. Walmsley

December 4, 1933 - September 1, 2018

John T. Walmsley, 84, of Plant City, Florida, born on December 4, 1933 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on September 1, 2018. He was a veteran of the United States Army, a longtime sales manager in the steel industry, and a real estate agent. He was a member of Eastside Baptist Church where he was a trustee and Sunday School teacher - and former Sunday School director, a former member of the City of Plant City Code Enforcement Board, and a former football and baseball coach for the Plant City Little Leagues. He loved his family, and enjoyed golfing, fishing, and the North Carolina mountains. He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Debbie L. Walmsley; children, John Carl Walmsley (Anne) of North Carolina, and Susan Collins (Scott) of Plant City; grandchildren, Jeffrey Chad Walmsley (Audrey), Christopher Joseph Walmsley (Heather), Chad Eric Blanton (Christina), Heather Marie Rivera (Jonathan), and Craig Thomas Walmsley (Brandy Wyly); great-grandchildren, Will, Bryce, Hayden, Wyatt, Bella, Eli, Easton, and Samuel; sister, Wanda Eibel; former wife, Mary Alice Steinke; mother-in-law, Edith Howard; siblings-in-law, Mike Howard (Jeannie), Norma Kennedy (Jim), and Joey Howard (Barbara); nieces and nephews, Justin Howard (Niki), Lindsey Norrington (Jason), Sarah Athans (Kevin), and Megan Dobiesz (Aaron); great-nieces and great-nephews, Taylor, Tristen, Grace, Ryder, and Eli; extended family, Karen Davis (Elliot), Kayla Davis, Cameron Davis, Elaine Walmsley, Nita Walmsley, Beck Easton (Lindsey), Lexi Easton, Marsha Howard, Alison Sylvester, Aunt Janet, and Aunt Dorothy; and

many other family and friends. He was preceded in death by his children, Jeffrey "Jeff" Walmsley, and Mary Ann Walmsley; and parents, John and Dorothy Walmsley. A funeral service will be held on Thursday, September 6 at 7:00 P.M. at Eastside Baptist Church, 1318 E Calhoun Street, Plant City 33563, where the family will receive friends beginning at 6:00 P.M. Private interment with military honors at Florida National Cemetery, Busnell. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Eastside Baptist Church Family Life Center, Expressions of condolence at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Florida National Cemetery

Bushnell, FL

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 6. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Eastside Baptist Church
1318 E. Calhoun St.
Plant City, FL

Service

SEP 6. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Plant City, FL

Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. John T. Walmsley



Hopewell Funeral Home - September 05, 2018 at 11:24 AM

KA

We're always thinking about you and we love you so much. Hope you're having the greatest time in glory with the Lord.

Krystina Avila - December 29, 2024 at 10:09 AM

DM

“ Debbie, I was so sorry to hear of John's passing. I consider it my good fortune to have been able to call John a friend although I have not see you all for some time now. Please accept my sincere condolences to you and your entire Family. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

Doug Mason - September 08, 2018 at 12:13 AM

JF

“ I did not have the pleasure of knowing Mr. Walmsley but his daughter is a valued member of our team here at the airport. Every time she smiles or otherwise brightens up our day - which is often, I cannot help but think this is a tribute to him in so many ways. My sincerest condolences to Susan and her family. - John J. Fiore.

John Fiore - September 07, 2018 at 02:45 PM

KF

“ *It was a wonderful service, and captured the real spirit of John!*❤️

Kelley Freeman - September 06, 2018 at 09:06 PM

AP

“ *I am truly sorry for your loss Chris, Heather, Wyatt, Eli and family. May He rest in peace. God bless.*

Annette Pierce - September 06, 2018 at 09:55 AM

AP

“ *Annette Pierce sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John T. Walmsley*



Annette Pierce - September 06, 2018 at 09:54 AM

AP

“ *Annette Pierce lit a candle in memory of Mr. John T. Walmsley*



Annette Pierce - September 06, 2018 at 09:53 AM

CO

“ *Debbie, I am truly sorry to hear of the passing of John. Though I haven't seen you much lately, I thought of y'all often. Please accept my deepest sympathies.*

Colleen

Colleen - September 06, 2018 at 07:25 AM

RT

I am so sorry to hear of John's passing. I just read it in the Observer. He was a good man and boss during my tenure at Plant City Steel. I am sure he will be missed by the you and the family and we will keep y'all in our prayers. Dick & Judy Taylor

Richard Taylor - September 07, 2018 at 09:46 AM

LD

“ *Debbie and family,*

I was so sad to hear of John's passing. It will not be the same at church. I know words may not help but from a favorite song of mine I offer these words :

*"One thing you need and nothing more.
To hear the whisper of our Lord.
Be still and know that I am God.
Rest in the arms of My embrace."*

Laura Derryberry - September 05, 2018 at 09:31 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. John T. Walmsley.*



September 05, 2018 at 05:59 PM

YF

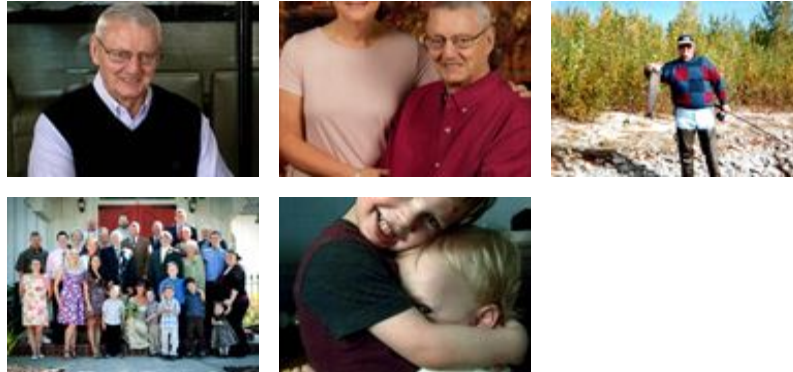
“ *Your Vantage Properties Family purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Mr. John T. Walmsley.*



Your Vantage Properties Family - September 05, 2018 at 11:39 AM



“ *64 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Hopewell Funeral Home - September 05, 2018 at 10:18 AM

JL

“ *My deepest sympathy on the recent passing of your husband. I hope that your many memories will bring you comfort at this sad time. May God bless you and your family. You're in my thoughts and prayers. Sincerely, Judy Lea*

Judy Lea - September 05, 2018 at 09:59 AM

JB

“ Jim and I dated with Debbie and John and we have been married the same 39 years. We were very close at the time and loved both of them very much. Debbie even stayed with me now and then. What a sweet couple they were and we have missed them since they didn't live close to us. I am so sorry, Debbie, for you, I know how close you were. It's great that you have a wonderful memories of him and that you have the support of a good family, that's so important. We would love to hear from you, actually tried to get in touch with you a couple times. The picture above of John is so natural and the way that we remember him. He and Jim are only 4 months apart in age. We were so saddened to her of his loss, had to wipe a tear away when I read it. I know he is in Heaven and you will see him some day again. Jim and Joyce Bragg

Jim and Joyce Bragg - September 05, 2018 at 07:58 AM

JO

“ Debbie,
I wish to convey my deepest sympathy for the loss of your husband John. My prayers for you and your family.

Jan Oppel
Winter Haven



Jan Oppel - September 04, 2018 at 11:32 PM

KE

“ John had a real heart for the youth. Every year John and Debbie would sponsor kids to go to youth camp, it was always on his mind to see to it that none of the church kids was left behind. I would bet he was sponsoring 3 or 4 others at the same time, he had a heart for the kids and wanted to see them learn about Jesus in fresh exciting new ways that impact kids of youth group age.
Love and prayer for the family.
Freeman family❤️

Kelley - September 04, 2018 at 06:11 PM

YS

“ Your friends at Tampa Bay Steel purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Mr. John T. Walmsley.



Your friends at Tampa Bay Steel - September 04, 2018 at 02:18 PM

YC

“ Yvonne Costine lit a candle in memory of Mr. John T. Walmsley



Yvonne Costine - September 04, 2018 at 01:02 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. John T. Walmsley.



September 04, 2018 at 12:17 PM



“ John was always a pleasure to serve alongside in my time as his pastor. He was diligent, faithful, loved his family, kind to my kids, and a straight shooter. May God be with those who survive his 'promotion'. Well done. Pastor Dennis

Dennis DeMarois - September 04, 2018 at 05:02 AM



“ God bless you all and provide you comfort during this time. I remember those days of little league and neighborhood kids congregating at the Walmsley house. We always had good times together. Remember the great times and be thankful for the love shared. Special thoughts and prayers for this family.



Lisa Camp Holwerda - September 03, 2018 at 10:49 PM



“ Mr. Walmsley was such a sweet man , always wearing a smile and giving a hug. He was loved by all who met him. Much love and prayers for Debbie, John and Susan. I will hold you all close to my heart . So many wonderful memories of the Walmsley family growing up in PC. (((((HUG)))))

Ginny McLeod - September 03, 2018 at 10:41 PM

KK

“ Praying for the Wamsley family. Sending our deepest condolences. Mr John was loved by our family and he will be dearly missed by all of us! He would always hug us and tell us how loved we were and showed so much love within our church family. We love you MrJohn❤️



Krystina & Tony Avila & kids - September 03, 2018 at 08:38 PM

JF

“ I am so very sorry to hear of John's passing. Always quick with a joke and a smile he was a wonderful man. I am sending my thoughts and prayers to Debbie, Susan, and John and the rest of the family. Much love.

Jennifer Fenner - September 03, 2018 at 08:12 PM

AN

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the friends and family, Brother John was a wonderful man and he always had a smile and a hug and a handshake, he will be so missed 🙏



Angela - September 03, 2018 at 06:46 PM

AM

John always had a smile on his face and a whistle in his voice. He brought brightness and wisdom to our Keller Williams office. He will be missed!

Angel Miller - September 04, 2018 at 01:38 PM

MS

“ *Mary And Sam Singletary lit a candle in memory of Mr. John T. Walmsley*



Mary and Sam Singletary - September 03, 2018 at 05:43 PM

MS

John was a very special person. He will be missed but we are rejoicing that he is in heaven safe in the arms of Jesus. Our sincere sympathy to Debbie and his family. You have our sympathy and our love. Mary and Sammy

Mary and Sam Singletary - September 03, 2018 at 05:46 PM



John was my cousin(Jean (Murray)Pecman.He will be missed.prayers go out to his family and friends.Love you.RIP

Jean Pecman - September 03, 2018 at 07:04 PM