



## John Parenteau

August 4, 2010

Parenteau, John D. age 67, of Shorewood, passed away July 31, 2010. He loved us well! Preceded in death by his parents, Desire & Mildred, and sister, Trudee. Survived by his wife of 42 years, Janet; son, Jean-Paul (Margaret); grandchildren, Toshia, Caleb, Benjamin and Désirée; sister, Jocelyn (Ed) Mikesh; several nieces, nephews & lifelong friends. Memorial service 11 AM Thursday, Aug. 5, Church of the Open Door, 9060 Zanzibar Lane N., Maple Grove. Visitation one hour prior to service at church and also 5-8 PM Wednesday at: Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel 952-920-3996 West 50th St. & Hwy 100

# Tribute Wall

KM

“*Jan, I am praying for you and your family. John was such a gracious presence and I loved sharing Dallas Willard stories and teaching with him over coffee. He always evidenced a burning desire to know God intimately and to love others. May God be close to you and yours with that same love.*

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*Keith Meyer,*

*Buffalo, Minnesota*

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**Keith Meyer** - August 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ On behalf of the staff at Courage Center, please accept our condolences on the loss of John. Our thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

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*Courage Center,*

*Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Courage Center** - August 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ John, I was blessed to know you. You were a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather. Janet, love you and praying for your comfort. JP, Margaret and kids - love you all and pray for continued peace from our Father. See you when I see you, John!

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*Carolyn Addona,*

*Mesa, Arizona*

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**Carolyn Addona** - August 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Janet, I am sorry to hear about the loss of your husband and want to let you know your in my thoughts and prayers at this sad time. I recently lost my daughter to cancer and I understand the road you have traveled. God Bless and may peace be with you and your family.

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*Cheryl (Lupino) Lawrence,*

*Palm Beach Gardens, Florida*

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**Cheryl (Lupino) Lawrence** - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ I am sincerely saddened to learn of John's death...I knew him through working on the Alpha Course together at Church of the Open Door. He was kind, gentle and joyful, a true servant. His commitment to helping others learn about Jesus' love for them was always evident. Peace to you Janet & family.

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*Tonya Toutge,*

*Robbinsdale, Minnesota*

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**Tonya Toutge** - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ We are heartbroken to hear that John has past....Our prayers are with you all... He was a wonderful man..Vince, Theresa and Alyssa Savina

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*Theresa Savina,*

*Montrose, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Theresa Savina** - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences to Jan & JP. I met with John, at a lunch with Ed and Jim in late March. He looked good and always maintained a positive out-look about anything. I have fond wonderful memories of the many antics we experienced as younger men and our military time together. The essence of John will be missed. May he enjoy peace everlasting for eternity. Emil Fedeli Eagan, MN

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August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ A call from John always brightened my workday--he was unfailingly cheerful and courteous and appreciative of the work those of us at the Kustom factory did. The "old-timers" at Kustom Signals will miss him greatly.

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*Betty Jo Chapman,*

*KSI--Chanute, Kansas*

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**Betty Jo Chapman** - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Janet and Jean-Paul, my friendship with John goes back to 1960 when we worked a summer together. Thoughts of John and Jim DeFeo always bring a smile to my face. My continued prayers for your family.

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*Stan Rydell,*

*St. Paul, Minnesota*

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**Stan Rydell** - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ I have known John for years, not only from a business relationship making purchases but as someone who was a friend. I did not know John was ill but he will be missed. I always enjoyed talking with him. I was always impressed by his approach to life and his attitude in everything he did. I know he will be missed by all those who knew him. Those of us who knew John at the New Hope Police Department extend our sympathies to his family. Gary Link, Chief.

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Gary Link,

New Hope, Minnesota

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Gary Link - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ I am John's friend from "down the hall" in the Eden 100 office building from 1986 to 1998. John was a good friend who I fortunately got to have lunch with a few times in the past couple of years. We talked a little about his illness and nutrition, but mainly we talked about families, old friends and radar. John knew I am an electronics nut so he surprised me about a year ago by bringing me a car trunk-full of old radar guns - which I loved! It was really thoughtful of him and very much how he was. I was looking forward to calling him for lunch one of these days, and will miss his friendship.

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*Michael Doperalski,*

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Michael Doperalski** - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JK

“*My prayers are with you Jan, JP and family. John always was grace-filled in his conversations, directing people to the One who could meet every need - his Savior Jesus Christ. John was one to give an encouraging word or offered to pray for you and he was not one to just say it. He prayed for you right then and there. Open Door has been blessed by his leadership and his wisdom. I have been blessed to call him a friend. He will be missed in countless ways. May our Father hold you close during the days ahead.*

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*Janice Knight,*

*St Louis Park, Minnesota*

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**Janice Knight** - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ I am Dick Scherman's sister, Bette Anne. I remember John well, especially as a dear friend of my brothers in their years at Cretin High School (sorry Jim Davis!). I recall him as a gentle soul and a man of class. I am saddened by your loss of his companionship, and I will keep you, Jan and your son, as well as all family in my prayers in these difficult months ahead. Bette Anne and Duffy Brelsford

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*elizabeth brelsford,*

*port washington, Wisconsin*

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**elizabeth brelsford** - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Hi Janet, We were sorry hear of John's illness and passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ As one of my father's most dearest friends for over 5 decades, I got to know John as someone I could truly look up to. His love for Janet, J.P, his many friends, and Jesus Christ were something I got to experience first hand from a very young age. What a great role model I was able to have growing up. Thank you John and thank you God for making him a part of my life. God bless you!

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*Todd Davis,*

*Cottage Grove, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Todd Davis** - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Since I met John in 1972, I have counted on his friendship and advice, especially his outlook with the Lord. I credit John for bringing me back to the Church. I look forward to the day when I enter paradise and will find John there to greet me.

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*Michael Sankey,*

*Plymouth, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Michael Sankey** - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *Jan and J P, We have fond memories of John and you and they all center on Jesus and His love for all of us. John was a man of God and his legacy remains. We will be praying for The Lord's presence and comfort. Karen and Bud*

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*Bud Boberg,*

*Excelsior, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Bud Boberg** - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ John brought me to the Lord in a very simple way, by his wonderful example. My wife Val and I have treasured his and Jan's friendship for over 32 years. We will all miss him, his smile, his humor but most of all his understanding and gentleness. His courage during the past few years also shows us all how to accept pain and illness. We will surely miss him but know that he is home with the Lord. Dan and Val Hessburg

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*Dan & Val Hessburg,*

*Minnetrista, Minnesota*

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**Dan & Val Hessburg** - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ I am sorry to read of Johns' passing. Although our paths have not crossed for several years, we spent a lot of time in the '60s and '70s doing things as part of a larger group of friends..What I will always remember about John was a wonderful sense of humor.I can still recall a few of his one liners.My prayers will go to your family ,John.

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*Tom Spence,*

*Schroeder, Minnesota*

*Contact Me*

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**Tom Spence** - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM