



John N. Fithian

April 5, 1967 - March 3, 2025

John Nelson Fithian, 57, of Woodstown, New Jersey, passed away peacefully at home on March 3, 2025, with his wife, Jennifer, by his side. Born in Woodbury in 1967, John was a talented musician, avid outdoorsman, and loving Pa Paw to his 4 grandchildren.

In his younger years, John was a lifeguard at Bethany Beach. A graduate of Woodstown High School, he played football and was a member of the 1985 Tri-County Championship team. John received his Associate's Degree from Salem Community College and his Bachelor's Degree from West Chester University. He then went on to receive his Master's Degree from Wilmington University and was a member of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. John was a dedicated special education teacher at Penns Grove-Carneys Point Regional School District, where he impacted the lives of innumerable students and colleagues through his passion and love of education.

John enjoyed being with his grandchildren, playing the lead guitar in his church's worship band, and spending time fishing and hunting. John had a bright outlook on life with a positive attitude that was notably contagious. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

John is survived by his best friend and devoted wife of 28 years, Jennifer (Maurizio); stepsons, Joseph Maurizio (Victoria) and James Dick; his grandchildren Marley, Kamryn, Salvatore and Santino; and 3 sisters, Cindy, Tricia and Joann. In addition to his parents, his sister, Joy, predeceased him.

A memorial visitation will take place on Tuesday, March 11th from 11am to 1pm at Ashcraft Funeral Home, 740 S Broadway, Pennsville, followed by a memorial service at 1pm.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 11. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Ashcraft Funeral Home (PV)
740 S. Broadway
Pennsville, NJ 08070
(856) 299-3366
ashcraftfuneralhomes@gmail.com

Memorial Service

MAR 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

GF

“ Gary & Kim Minguez And Family lit a candle in memory of John N. Fithian



Gary & Kim Minguez and family - March 10, 2025 at 01:23 PM

FS

“ Former PGHS Staff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John N. Fithian.

Former PGHS Staff - March 10, 2025 at 10:34 AM

FS

“ Former PGHS Staff purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of John N. Fithian.



Former PGHS Staff - March 10, 2025 at 10:34 AM

RD

“ Jen and family,
I'm so very sorry for your loss. I'm sending you all strength, love and prayers. Love you all



Robin (Hilditch) DeVecchio

Robin (Hilitch) DeVecchio - March 07, 2025 at 02:47 PM

LJ

“ Love, Jo purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John N. Fithian.



Love, Jo - March 06, 2025 at 01:24 PM

LJ

“ Love, Jo purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of John N. Fithian.



Love, Jo - March 06, 2025 at 01:24 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of John N. Fithian.



March 06, 2025 at 12:04 PM

YS

“ Your loving sisters purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of John N. Fithian.



Your loving sisters - March 05, 2025 at 06:17 PM

TR

“ John brought a whole new dynamic to our family when he became the 5th Fithian sibling with 4 older sisters. He was our “living doll” and he undoubtedly felt like he had 5 mothers looking out for him. He filled our house with happiness, enthusiasm for sports like football-surfing-fishing-skiing, loud rock music, and pure boy energy. Our parents waited a long time for their boy and we all were blessed to have him in our lives. John Boy we love you and you will forever be in our hearts and memories. Your loving sisters

Tricia - March 05, 2025 at 05:56 PM

LM

“ Love, Cynthia Maurizio planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John N. Fithian.

Love, Cynthia Maurizio - March 05, 2025 at 04:45 PM

LM

“ Love, Cynthia Maurizio purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of John N. Fithian.



Love, Cynthia Maurizio - March 05, 2025 at 04:45 PM

PF

“ Uncle John Boy, You were the coolest! We love you and we will miss you. Adrienne, Megan, and Paige (John's nieces) planted a grove of 3 memorial trees in memory of Uncle John Boy. These trees will be a lasting tribute to Uncle John Boy and his love for the outdoors and hunting.

Paige Ferguson - March 05, 2025 at 02:41 PM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John N. Fithian.

March 05, 2025 at 02:38 PM



“ Carol Molinari Monks lit a candle in memory of John N. Fithian



Carol Molinari Monks - March 05, 2025 at 10:49 AM



“ Jen, No words can express how sorry I am for the loss of your husband, John. Sending you an abundance of love. May your precious memories bring you comfort.

Love, Kim (Friant) Roberts



Kim Friant Roberts - March 05, 2025 at 09:55 AM

LO

“ Our sincerest condolences from our administration, staff, and students at Penns Grove High School, where Mr. Fithian worked tirelessly and generously as our beloved special education teacher to support everyone. His care, consideration, connection, and passion for his work and our school community will live on to inspire us always. Mr. and Mrs. Fithian shared many beautiful holiday crafts and gifts with me and my family which will be forever cherished and enjoyed. We wish Mrs. Fithian and her family strength, courage, and peace at this difficult time. With love, Lory O'Brien, Principal, Penns Grove High School

Lory O'Brien - March 05, 2025 at 08:38 AM

LE

“ John is my neighbor and dear friend. I could always count on John to lift my spirits. His positive energy and was contagious. I know how hard he battled, and now he is free from pain. He's up there playing guitar with the greats. Rest in heavenly peace my friend. You will never be forgotten. ❤️
Leslie Beckum-Headley

Leslie - March 04, 2025 at 08:24 PM

SB

Johnny was my cousin.always loved his bands and kayaking. I'm gonna miss him but he's in good company ❤️🙏

SaRae Pennal Brown - March 05, 2025 at 06:45 AM

LE

My condolences to the Fithian clan, including all John's family and friends. He is one of a kind. There can never be another like John. He is up there in good company, absolutely. Prayers to you and yours. ❤️

Leslie - March 05, 2025 at 11:22 AM

RW

I started at Penns Grove last year. I remember seeing John in the early part of the year. He may have been just walking through but we chatted for a minute. I found out he was a guitar guy just like me and today I found out we share the same birthday. Rest easy. May we all pray for your family.

Rob Wiacek - March 05, 2025 at 01:48 PM

JP

So sorry to find out (today 3/13/25) about Johnny's passing. My deepest sympathy to his wife, children, sisters and close friends. And Jennifer, I heard the story about when you and Johnny rode by my house and he said "That's where my Aunt lives", you said "Let's stop", but he wasn't sure if I still lived there; I do. You're welcome to stop any time. Aunt Jane Pennal

Jane Pennal - March 13, 2025 at 04:25 PM

B8

“ My deepest sympathies to his family. Rest in peace, John.

Belinda Steen, WHS cl of 85 - March 04, 2025 at 07:12 PM