



John T. Nebel

July 4, 1943 - October 10, 2014

John Nebel went to be with his Lord on October 10, 2014 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. He died peacefully in his home, surrounded by his loving family. John was born on July 4, 1943 in Cincinnati, OH to H. Frederick Nebel and Mary Elizabeth “Libby” Nebel. His earliest years were spent in Philadelphia and Crystal Lake, IL. He graduated from St. Xavier High School in Cincinnati as a proud member of the Class of '61. He received an undergraduate degree from Xavier University and an MBA from Indiana University. After spending a year in Vietnam in the US Navy, John returned to Seattle to complete his service. While in Seattle, he met his wife, Julie Gustavson. They were married in Richland, WA in 1970. They settled in the Seattle area and started their family. They moved to Wenatchee in 1981, where John worked at Central Washington Hospital for 28 years.

John's life reflected his commitment to his family, his faith, and service to his community. As a dedicated father and grandfather, he coached sports teams, took family camping, hiking and biking trips, and spent countless hours playing with grandchildren. All of his life, John enjoyed sports; he was a baseball, softball and football player, Mariners, Seahawks and Xavier Muskateers fan and backyard team member. He was a committed and loving husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle and trusted friend.

Beyond his positive outlook and fun-loving sense of humor, John is

remembered for the way he treated others, his generosity and his simple and humble way of being. John spent much of his time volunteering in the Wenatchee community. He was an active member in Society of St. Vincent DePaul, St. Joseph's Food Bank, Just Housing Coalition, Affordable Housing Land Trust, Catholic Families Advisory Board, and Just Faith program. He was a model of compassion and caring, touching many lives.

John was preceded in death by his mother Libby, stepmothers Marie and Teresa and niece, Michelle. He is survived by his wife Julie; father Fred; brother Fred Nebel (Sheila); sisters MaryAnn Chappellear and Aileen Nebel; daughters Amy Fernandes (Ray), Mary Gamache (Matt), Lisa Martinez (Sergio); sons Tom Nebel (Liesl), Dan Nebel and Jack Nebel (Jodi); grandchildren Miguel, Luca and Talia Fernandes, Matias and Farrah Gamache, Xavier and Isabel Martinez, Betta, Winston and Theo Nebel, Melanie Nebel and Penny and "Baby Girl" Nebel; many special nieces and nephews and friends.

Throughout his illness, John received compassionate care from the wonderful people at Confluence Health and Hospice. We offer them our most heartfelt gratitude for their presence in our journey.

A Funeral Mass will be held Thursday, October 16, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 625 S. Elliot, Wenatchee.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in John's memory to one of his favorite charities: Society of St. Vincent DePaul (c/o St. Joseph's Church, 625 S. Elliot, Wenatchee, WA 98801); St. Joseph's School (c/o St. Joseph's Church, 625 S. Elliot, Wenatchee, WA 98801); Wenatchee Catholic Family and Child Service (640 S. Mission, Wenatchee, WA 98801). Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at jonesjonesbetts.com. Arrangements are by Jones & Jones-Betts Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Service

OCT **16**. 11:00 AM (PT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

625 S Elliott

Wenatchee, WA 98801

(509) 662-4569

<http://www.stjosephwen.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ Jones & Jones - Betts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John T. Nebel



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - October 15, 2014 at 10:44 AM

BM

Hey everyone this is Bella I have grandpa when he pass away I really miss so much to him of his life, I hope all you guys great day today

Bella Martinez - March 19, 2024 at 08:06 PM

BE

“ *I have a memory of my grandpa long time ago I broke my leg to sit with him and he push me to the school bus it is special for me, also my family how much my grandpa cares and loving his wife my grandma about her and to he's soul, I heard my grandpa's voice in my head working hard to do my sports and I have a hope feelings to him how do I feel when my grandpa pass way I am so sad having hard time to think about him*

Bella - October 11, 2024 at 08:42 PM

SL

“ To all John's family, I love that man! He was truly a light in all our lives. He was the perfect example to me and my family of a righteous man full of integrity and love. It must be Heavenly Father has more need of him than we do (although that is hard to understand) to further His Kingdom along. May John's memories comfort and warm you thru all the hard and sad times without him.
Susi Larson

Susi Larson - October 16, 2014 at 07:44 PM

JA

“ I knew John through his work for social justice and his teaching the Just Faith class. He made a big impact on me, and he will be missed.

Jim Allyn - October 16, 2014 at 07:14 PM

SB

“ I am sorry not to have known John. He sounds like an amazing individual and a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. I so have the tremendous honor of knowing his daughter, Mary. Mary~ I am so very sorry for this great loss of LiGhT from your life. Please feel my arms surrounding you with a giant HuG and know that you and your family are in my heart and thoughts. I know your father was a great person because I know what an infeasible being YoU are! Much LoVe and sympathy....
Sarah Beth Brown (Hansen) and Family

sarah beth - October 16, 2014 at 01:27 PM

SB

**incredible* being*

sarah beth - October 16, 2014 at 10:55 PM

PA

“ How I wish I could be back in Wenatchee to celebrate the life of John Nebel with my St. Joseph's Parish family. John and Julie have always been an important memory of my time there.

What I remember about John was his ever-present smile, his absolute joy of living, his respect for others and the way he really walked what he believed.

To Julie and family, I hope that now that John's suffering is over, you can take solace in knowing that he is new again in Heaven. His smile will be the first thing you see whenever you join him and you will have him looking out for you where ever you go.

*Pam Trompeter Aguilu
Fountain Hills, AZ*

Pam Trompeter Aguilu - October 16, 2014 at 01:23 AM

RF

“ I had the pleasure to work under John's direction while he work at Central Washington Hospital. He was always so pleasant, using wisdom to deal with situations and a gentle soul. I learned much from him and so sorry to hear of his passing. Way to young to leave this earth. Submitted by Ruth Fisher

Ruth Fisher - October 15, 2014 at 11:23 PM

BM

I work at Central Washington Hospital. last year and last summer, I am retired I want to go back there how much I stay by peace memories

Bella Martinez - March 22, 2024 at 11:31 AM

AG

“ Dear Mrs. Nebel , Lisa and family,

We just want to say we are sorry for your loss. Your husband was such a nice man and his kindness touched so many in Wenatchee. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

*Fondly,
Anne and Wally Gibbons*

Anne Gibbos - October 15, 2014 at 10:38 AM

KP

“ *John will truly be missed. He was an inspiration to so many. I have wonderful memories of insightful conversations with John as part of the Central Washington Hospital team. He was brilliant and we all looked up to him. - Karen Peterson, Pullman, WA*

Karen Peterson - October 15, 2014 at 08:21 AM

BM

Hey Karen this is Isabel but you can call me Bella I am grandpas grandchild I have a question for you, I know he worked at center Washington hospital in 28 years, can you please saying really nice about me I have peace of hope of my family and my friends I really miss him lost of my life I have been, I would like to see him whatever I go be at secret of dancing of fun he is, to me I hope to look up for him I want new grandpa with me whole lot fun of dancing

Bella Martinez - April 16, 2024 at 11:19 AM

VF

“ I worked with John at Central Washington Hospital and was fortunate enough to know him and be part of the financial team at the hospital. John was a "teacher" he always was looking out for the financial success of the hospital. His humor helped us get through so many of the reimbursement issues we were facing. I feel so fortunate to have known himhe was a very special man.

Vicki Feiten

Vicki Feiten - October 15, 2014 at 07:23 AM

BM

Hi Vicki Feiten this is Bella I know about my grandpa he is a very special person he is, I loved to see he's smelling at me, it's making me feel happy I wish he will be peace of hope in my heart, I have faith to close to him how much I miss him

Bella Martinez - April 16, 2024 at 11:26 AM