



John R. Kociemba

May 28, 1927 - March 11, 2014

John R. Kociemba, passed away Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at the age of 86. He was born May 28, 1927. Beloved husband of Margie. Dear uncle of many nieces and nephews. Also survived by many other loving relatives and close friends. Parishioner of St. Raymond Catholic Church for over 50 years and member of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul at St. Raymond for over 20 years.

Visitation Sunday 2-8 p.m. with a Vigil Service 3:30 p.m. at the Wasik Funeral Home, Inc., 11470 Thirteen Mile Road (west of Hoover) Warren. Instate Monday 10 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass 10:30 a.m. at St. Raymond Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 20103 Joann (2 blocks south of Eight Mile, 3 blocks west of Schoenherr) Detroit. Interment Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be directed to the Society of St. Vincent De Paul in memory of John.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

17100 Van Dyke St
Detroit, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 16. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home - Warren
11470 Thirteen Mile Road
Warren, MI 48093
(586) 751-3131
warren@wasikfuneralhome.com

Vigil Service

MAR 16. 3:30 PM (ET)

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11470 Thirteen Mile Road
Warren, MI 48093
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Instate at Church

MAR 17. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Raymond - Our Lady of Good Counsel
20103 Joann
Detroit, MI 48205
(313) 527-0525
<http://straymondolgc.org>

Funeral Mass

MAR 17. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JE

“ I am sorry I won't be able to make the funeral. I love you uncle Johnny! I will always remember hunting snipes with you and grandpa Smo and all the kids! I loved all the Christmases at your house, playing shuffle nooses, pool and bingo! Lots of laughs and good times. You will surely be missed but never forgotten.

Love,
Jennifer

Jennifer - March 16, 2014 at 12:18 PM

RA

“ Lent is about bringing forth new life. John and Marge did this for so many year in and year out. Years and health issues did not stop this one who had a zest for life. What a crown is his! thank you, John.

Sr. Rosemarie

rosemarie Abate - March 15, 2014 at 06:19 PM

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Cecilia Gallagher - March 15, 2014 at 04:02 PM

EV

“ I being a member of the St. Raymond St. Vincent De Paul group at church, got to know John as a very generous and loving person with a wonderful sense of humor. And that smile could lite up a room. Every Tuesday he would drive up to Krogers and have the guys load up his little car with day old food and he would bring it to our community center and we would load up our fridge and freezer and he would tell us to help ourselves. This was something that he did on the side and not something that he had to do. Such a kind heart. It is so hard to imagine not seeing him around anymore. I'll miss you boss but you will always be in my heart!

Eileen Vallejo - March 14, 2014 at 03:16 PM



“ I remember hunting snipes with him and grampa smo

Sean Blackwell - March 14, 2014 at 01:21 PM

AN

“ Uncle Johnny - What can I say? You were always the kindest, calmest, funniest person I knew. No matter what was going on, you always had a smile on your face and a nickname for anyone who dared to come into or near our family. I have so many fond memories of you but the one that sticks with me most is when you and my Dad, who you honored with the nickname "Sheephead" would empty out the change in your pockets and throw the coins into the grass in our back yard and yell "GO". All the kids would run and try to see who could find the most money. That just makes me smile. You will be missed greatly. Rest in Peace, Uncle.

Angela - March 14, 2014 at 10:41 AM

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And Christmas Bingo ...

Angela - March 14, 2014 at 10:42 AM

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Angela - March 14, 2014 at 10:34 AM

KA

“ *I am very fortunate to have wonderful Aunts and Uncles in my life - Uncle Johnny was very special. When my sister and I were young, my Uncle Alex (who passed away this year in January) would take us to the east side to go trick or treating. Uncle Johnny would take us door to door and seemed to know people all over! We would load up our bags, take them back to his house, unload, and go out for more. We had sooo much candy from Halloween. We walked for blocks and blocks no matter what the weather!*

Also, when I was 17 or 18, Uncle Johnny would take me to the church parking lot to practice driving. He always had a Chevrolet and it never had any extra options like power brakes or steering! He probably bought a GM product because my dad (his best friend growing up) had worked there for 39 years. It was so scary because it took so much effort to turn or stop! I don't think I ever said anything because I was so grateful that he took me there to practice so I could get my license.

Rest in Peace!

Kathy - March 14, 2014 at 08:57 AM

CG

“ Cecilia Gallagher lit a candle in memory of
John R. Kociemba



Cecilia Gallagher - March 14, 2014 at 08:40 AM

CG

Uncle John was another one of my favorite uncles, he was good-hearted and just a sweet gentle man. I remember our family driving to their house every Christmas and having dinner there, we knew exactly what was for dinner and we were so excited about going there the food, games etc. The wonderful memories I have of him will always be kept in my heart. Even the last time I saw him he loved watching sports and we watched a women's basketball game together. Uncle John and my dad together again in heaven. We lost a wonderful man, but heaven gained one. He was a good husband to my Aunt Margie, God Bless him! Uncle John we love you and will miss you! The Gallaghers, Thomas, Cecilia and Joseph

Cecilia Gallagher - March 14, 2014 at 08:50 AM

 Becky
Rundel

“ I have had so many great memories of my Uncle Johnny from Birthdays, to Easter, Christmas and just plain Sunday get togethers when other family members were in town. Christmas at Uncle Johnny's and Aunt Margie's were one of my favorite childhood memories. We couldn't wait to get to their house and go in the basement and see everyone. They had a shuffleboard table and a pool table. My dad, Uncle Johnny and some of the other guys would play poker on the pool table, while Aunt Margie and the women would talk and chit chat while she finished cooking on the stove in the basement. We would all get our food and sit at the shuffleboard table together, then we would open the presents and my favorite part of the night was the BINGO.... Uncle Johnny would have Michigan Lottery Scratch off tickets for some of the Bingo winnings and some candy or other trinkets for the others. He was such a great and generous person. He will be truly missed.

Becky

Becky Rundel - March 14, 2014 at 05:35 AM

JC

John will always be remember here at St. Raymond's-Our Lady of Good Counsel. he was a great quite man who gave a lot of himself to all and I am very blessed to have known him. My prayers are with the family and especially his wife Marge. Joann Clinchoc

JOann Clinchoc - March 17, 2014 at 07:59 PM