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John Mark Musto: Treasured father, grandfather, son, uncle, big brother, cousin, friend to many.

Artist. Player of tennis. Driver of boats Cyclist. Swimmer. Snorkler. Fisherman. Traveler. God-fearing to the core.

Devoted supporter to his offspring and the entirety of their endeavors. Avid creator and designator of nicknames.

A peculiarly massive fan of fried chicken. Peppermint gum aficionado. Diet Coke.

Mark graduated from High School at 16. A year later he entered the U.S. Navy (USO Illinois Great Lakes Center) for 4 years, stationed in Scotland, working on ships that fueled naval submarines. While in the service, his mother wrote him weekly — reminding him not to forget to attend Sunday mass, safe to say he did not forget.

When he left the service in 1968, he decided to enroll in the Detroit Society of

Arts and Crafts (currently called College for Creative Studies) to pursue a degree of fine arts; he was a profoundly talented illustrator who loved to draw and make models of his siblings. He then went on to do display and visual work for department stores. He retired from Chrysler as a proud union member.

In 1972 he married Sally McCallum. 5 years later in 1977 his first daughter, Marnie was born then his second daughter, Sarah in 1982.

His grandparents, John “Jack” and Ann Donnellon bought a cottage on Harsens Island to give their grandkids a place to play during the summer. He was fortunate to spend summers on Lake Saint Clair with his beloved aunts and many cousins, who were essentially additional siblings. Mark carried on this legacy and got his own cottage on Russell Island for his kids and grandkids to enjoy — the focal point of his life was his children and grandchildren.

The logistics of Mark’s life fail to capture the essence of who he was as a man.

He worked hard to create a life that would allow his family to thrive. He understood what it meant to be an artist, a father, a role model, and a provider.

He found fulfillment in the simplest of gifts that life had to offer him. He would drop anything to take the kids on a boat ride, he would swim in the river no matter the time of day, his morning coffee was enough, cutting the grass or pulling weeds was not a chore in his eyes, if you asked him to go fishing he would burst with joy, and his Sundays were dedicated to the Lord.

He never took for the granted the endless flow of gifts he received throughout

his life; his kids. A plethora of children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews were blessed to have been imprinted by him.

Mark leaves behind his daughters, Marnie Meagher (John Meagher) and their children, Connor, Aidan, Delaney, Ellison, Brody, and Francis. Sarah Musto (Whitney Deveroux) and their children, Jackson and Savannah. Younger brothers Gary, James, Tom, and baby sister Jane. He was preceded in death by his parents, Michael and Dorothy Musto, brother Michael Timothy Musto and best friend, Michael Murphy.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Cemetery

Algonac, MI 48001

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **25**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home - Gendernalik Chapel
35259 23 Mile Road
New Baltimore, MI 48047

Funeral Service

JUN **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

BM

“ Uncle mark stayed with us for a short period of time and I’m really grateful for that, as I got to know him I could feel this happy healing aura that he emits and you couldn’t step away from without gaining some sort of knowledge, insight, or a good laugh. He always made sure to gift us all something for Christmas - with such a big family I always really appreciated that he never forgot me or anyone else for that matter! love you uncle mark love ❤️ Brittany

Brittany Musto - June 26, 2023 at 10:41 AM

JD

“ My brother and my dearly loved friend

Jack DeLeonard - June 26, 2023 at 12:17 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John Mark Musto.

June 24, 2023 at 10:36 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of John Mark Musto.



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“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of John Mark Musto.* ”



June 23, 2023 at 08:22 PM



“ *Your life-long best friend Mike has been patiently waiting for you in heaven. Nice to know you're laughing together again. Love you.* ”

Barbara Murphy - June 23, 2023 at 01:17 PM



“ *Happy trails to you, Mark.* ”

Carol K Diroff - June 23, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Ines Helm lit a candle in memory of John Mark Musto* ”



Ines Helm - June 22, 2023 at 10:18 PM