



## John Richards Jr.

June 9, 1942 - September 19, 2022

John Richards Jr., age 80, of Casco Township passed away on Monday, September 19, 2022. John was born on June 9, 1942, in Detroit, Michigan to John and Janet (Wydrzynska) Richards.

John proudly served for 6 years in the U.S. Army National Guard. He was a big history buff and was especially interested in WWI & WWII military aircraft. Throughout his adult life, he was a supporter of the Yankee Air Museum and many veterans' organizations. He retired from Consumers Energy after a 30-plus year career. John had a keen sense of humor, endearing smile, a terrific memory and an amazing wealth of knowledge, which meant he was also a wonderful storyteller. John was a thoughtful and loyal friend that was always willing to offer a helping hand. In the years following his retirement, he enjoyed his time at the cottage "up-North" near Lewiston, as well as birdwatching, reading, taking road-trips and spending time in the company of family and friends.

Above all else, he was a dedicated, proud, and loving father to his daughter and only child, Jeri B. (Richards) Ward. He is also survived by his sister Kathy Richards; former wife, Jeanne (Richards) Jablonski; companion, Nancy Devereaux; and many loving friends. John had a heart of gold and will be missed and remembered by everyone he met.

A memorial and celebration of life will be held at the Fraternal Order of Police,

Copper Creek Manor, at 33845 24 Mile Road, Chesterfield, MI 48047, from noon to 4 p.m. ET on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022. A military honor ceremony will begin at 1 p.m., followed by food and beverages.

Flowers may be sent to Copper Creek Manor on the morning of Oct. 22; donations can be made to the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Michigan Chapter, in honor of John Richards Jr.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

OCT **22**. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Fraternal Order of Police, Copper Creek Manor  
33845 24 Mile Road  
Chesterfield, MI 48047

## Military Service

OCT **22**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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