



John Joseph McCaughey Jr.

March 31, 1943 - April 29, 2024

John J. McCaughey, Jr., age 81, of Vernon Hills, IL, passed away peacefully on April 29, 2024 in Long Grove, IL.

John was born on March 31, 1943 in Waukegan to John J. McCaughey, Sr. and Elaine Carlson McCaughey. He was raised in Gurnee and graduated from Warren Township High School.

At the age of 18 John became a volunteer firefighter for the Gurnee Fire Department. He later took a position with the Lake Forest Fire Department where he retired as Assistant Chief in 1981. John also worked as a skilled plumber for V.J. Killian Co. in Lake Forest.

John and Nancy moved from Lake Bluff to Apache Junction, Arizona, where they enjoyed spending retirement time together in the warm climate. They were very active in the community where they volunteered and John enjoyed playing in the softball league.

John is survived by children Dorie (Don) Hoevel of Wauconda, IL, Julie (Earl) Hurter of Des Plaines, IL and Steve (Kerry) McCaughey of Wadsworth, IL; grandchildren Zachary Hoevel; Colin, Kevin (Nicole) and Billy (Liz) Knesley, Tito Houlston; Christian, Kaitlyn and Braeden McCaughey; great grandchildren Fiona, McKenna, Owen and Cody Knesley. Sisters Mary

(Stephen) Furrer of Waukegan, IL, and Betty (Elmer) Fallos of Wadsworth, IL; step children Kari (Kent) Volpe of Libertyville, IL, Kelli (Rob) Johns of Green Oaks, IL and Fitz (Cristl) Dunn of Lake Bluff, IL; step grandchildren Brian (Brooke), Kevin (Colleen) and Scott (Ashley Desando) Johns and Elisabeth Dunn; step great grandchild Jordan Johns. John had many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy Peddle Dunn McCaughey (2023); parents John J. McCaughey, Sr. and Elaine Carlson McCaughey; sister Anne McCaughey; in-laws Ron & Edith Peddle and Barbara A. Peddle.

Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in John's name may be made to Alexander Leigh Center for Autism, 4100 Veterans Parkway, McHenry, IL 60050 or online at <https://alcacenter.org/>

For more information, contact Reuland & Turnbough Funeral Directors of Lake Forest at (847) 234-9649 or www.RTfunerals.com.

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“ *Best of the in-laws (out-laws) as he and Uncle Jim would say. The two of them sure had some fun times together. Love to all of you, Aunt Lucy*

Lucy De Vries - May 03, 2024 at 04:34 PM