



John Alan Ortwig, Jr.

May 13, 1992 - February 19, 2016

Ortwig, Jr., John Alan, age 23, Friday, February 19, 2016. Beloved father of Aaylah; beloved son of John A. and Lynda Ortwig; dear brother of Julie (Danny) McTurnan, Connie (Cliff) Oakey, Dawn (Josh) Koch, Tiffany (Jason) Barfield and Scott Kempf; dear nephew, brother-in-law, uncle, cousin and friend.

John graduated from Trinity High School where he was a member of the wrestling team, member of Elks Lodge #2316, was a licensed paramedic, loved hunting, fishing and spending time with his daughter.

Procession from Hutchens Mortuary & Cremation Center, 675 Graham Rd., Florissant, Monday, February 29, 2016 at 9:15 a.m. to St. Sabina Catholic Church, 1625 Swallow Lane, Florissant for a 10:00 a.m. Mass. Interment Sacred Heart Cemetery. Visitation 4-8 p.m. Sunday with Elks service at 7:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations to charity of your choice. Online guestbook at www.hutchensmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Sacred Heart Cemetery

980 Graham Rd.
Florissant, MO 63031

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **28**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hutchens Mortuary & Cremation Center
675 Graham Rd
Florissant, MO 63031
(314) 831-3100

Tribute Wall

MS

“Hello. I am sorry for the loss of John at such a young age. I wonder if he is the son of a family who lived in the same apartment house as my family in the early 1950s. I recall brothers, including a Johnny, and I thought a sister Elizabeth. They were a nice family. One fact that may identify the Ortwegs is that they had grandparents who lived in Sedalia, MO, and visited often. My brother and I used to play with John and his siblings. We wish them well, of course.

Michael Schau - February 28, 2016 at 10:47 AM

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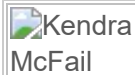
“John was a wonderful young man. He was like part of our family for several years. We went on trips, camping and many fun outings. I remember his thrill with going deep sea fishing and going to the ocean. He loved nature and building and creating things with his own hands. He was a gentleman and had a heart of gold. Helpful as the day is long. Giving and happy and a hard worker. I will always remember John with fondest memories and am thankful that we had an opportunity to know him. His smile could light up a room and his ideas and thoughts were clever and funny but mostly thoughtful. He would give the shirt off his back to someone in need. I know John was cherished and loved by his family and by many others. I cannot imagine how broken-hearted his family is at this time. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you and Johns memory will always be part of all of our lives. Our entire family is so grieved with this news. May God bless you all especially his baby girl whom I know was the dearest thing to his heart. The Zluhan Family.

Jennifer Zluhan - February 27, 2016 at 07:37 PM



“ *I remember John as a sweet, young man when I taught at St. Sabina. I hope all the loving memories you have of him, help you heal from such a profound loss.*
Karen Horack

Karen Ketchel Horack - February 27, 2016 at 08:50 AM



“ *My prayers are with his family. I will forever remember John as a ball of energy. He always had such a great heart and always full of life. I am honored that he was a part of my life. May his memory live on in those who knew him best and loved him.*
- Kendra McFail, John's 5th grade teacher



Kendra McFail - February 26, 2016 at 04:46 PM

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“ *One of the nicest and most sincere guys in high school. I still find it hard to believe the world lost such a pure soul. Hard worker, put friends and family first, and knew to stand up for what he believed in. Death may leave a forever broken heart, but love leaves memories that can never be stolen. Until we see each other again, fly high John. Sincerely, a crushed high school friend.*

Anonomous HS Friend - February 25, 2016 at 08:19 PM

KT

“ *My heartfelt sympathy on the loss of your son. I remember John as a bright, active little boy, full of life and spirit. May your memories of John bring you comfort in the hard times ahead.--Kathy Torrington, John's first grade teacher*

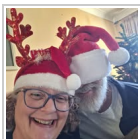


Katherine Torrington - February 25, 2016 at 11:42 AM

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“ *John, Lynda, Julie and all the family, We are shocked and very saddened to hear of the loss of your son and brother, John. I'm glad I was able to be a small part of his life with baseball and see him grow into a young man and father. He is in heaven now and will forever be watching over you all. Our deepest sympathy to you all. The Fowler family*

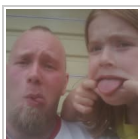
Denny Fowler - February 24, 2016 at 07:49 PM



“ *Connie Oakey lit a candle in memory of John Alan Ortwig, Jr.*



Connie Oakey - February 24, 2016 at 04:15 PM



“ *John you was such a good kid. God's plan is so hard to understand!! Watch down on us cousin. Prayers for the Ortwegs and Mcturnan family!! GOD BLESS TILL WE MEET AGAIN*

Joe Potter - February 23, 2016 at 08:19 PM

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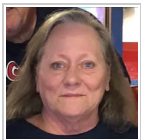
“Dearest Ortwig/Shaw Family: I wasn't luck enough to know John Jr. like I've known the rest of the family for so many years. I do remember seeing this cute red-head when he was little though and am so sorry to hear of his passing. A lot of time may pass through the years but you all have always been my heart. Much love and sympathy. Suzy (Strunk) Hollenberg

Suzy (Strunk) Hollenberg - February 23, 2016 at 04:37 PM



“John I will always remember the times in the deer woods, Danny you think I will kill a deer, Yes john if we see one. You will always be in my heart and Danny loves you very much. Untill we meet again. Save me some deer.

Danny McTurnan - February 23, 2016 at 12:32 PM



“I would like to express my heartfelt condolences to John's family. He was a good friend to Kenny, a generally great guy and I sure will miss him. It was so touching to watch him with Aaylah. He was a good dad and he'll be watching over her.



Kayte Crisler - February 23, 2016 at 11:09 AM

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“ *Pat Shaw lit a candle in memory of John Alan Ortwig, Jr.*



Pat Shaw - February 23, 2016 at 07:13 AM

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“ *Those we love can never be more than a thought away, for as long as there's a memory they live in our hearts forever. All of your memories with John Alan are a treasure, so let those memories get you through this difficult time. He is with the angels now and will always be watching over you and live on forever in your hearts. You are all in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time....Love, Pat*

Pat Shaw - February 23, 2016 at 07:12 AM

SM

“ *I will never forget the laughter and joy you gave me on that hunting trip. I feel so lucky to have shared such an experience with you. My heart breaks to have to say goodbye to such a wonderful young man. You will forever remain in our hearts..No amount of time can take away your memory. The world was by far a better place with you in it than it will ever be with you gone..Fly high Angel and know you are missed..Sandra.*

sandra mcturnan - February 22, 2016 at 06:15 PM



“ John Alan,
I will always love you! A piece of my heart left when you did but you will always remain a part of me.



Tanya McTurnan - February 22, 2016 at 03:40 PM



“ Dear John,
You will forever remain in my heart. May Jesus and his angels watch over you now. I will see you again one day. From the day you were first born and I held you first to the countless vacations and trips that we have taken you with us. We have loved you as our own. In fact, you could have very easily been my own. Watch over Dad from heaven now John. He needs you now more than ever. Your sister forever.
Julie



Julie - February 22, 2016 at 02:44 PM