



## John Douglas Miller

July 11, 1968 - July 11, 2022

John D. Miller, 54, of Springville, Iowa, passed away on Monday, July 11, 2022, at Dennis & Donna Oldorf Hospice House of Mercy in Hiawatha, Iowa. Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, July 15, 2022, at Murdoch Funeral Home & Cremation Service in Marion, Iowa. Funeral mass will take place at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 16, 2022, at St. Isidore Catholic Church in Springville, with an additional visitation an hour prior to service.

John was born on July 11, 1968, in Oskaloosa, Iowa, the son of Carroll and Janet (Dykstra) Miller. He was a 1987 graduate of Mt. Vernon High School in Mt. Vernon, Iowa and went on to attend Kirkwood Community College. On October 24, 1992, John was united in marriage to Diane Manderscheid at St. John Parish in Andrew, Iowa. He worked as a truck driver for Philipp Trucking then drove for Rathje Construction of Marion for the next 24 years. John was a member of St. Isidore Parish and Sons of the American Legion. He spent his free time camping, grilling/smoking meat and spending time with family. John will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

John is survived and lovingly remembered by his wife of 30 years, Diane of Springville; daughter, Nicole Miller (Fiancé, Logan Sperfslage) of Marion; brother, Ray Miller of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; sister, Dawn Biederman of Marion; mother, Janet Miller of Cedar Rapids; sisters-in-law, Cheryl (Mike) Regan of Maquoketa, Iowa, Janet (Dan) Herbers of Chesterfield, Missouri, and Jean (Pat) Carlisle of Durand, Wisconsin; brother-in-law, Dennis Manderscheid of Maquoketa; mother-in-law, Lorraine Manderscheid of Andrew, Iowa; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Carroll in 2006; father-in-law, Julian Manderscheid in 2012; and brother-in-law, Bill Biederman in 2022.

Memorials in John's memory may be directed to Dennis & Donna Oldorf Hospice House of Mercy in Hiawatha, Iowa.

Please share a memory of John at [www.murdochfuneralhome.com](http://www.murdochfuneralhome.com) under obituaries.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 15. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Murdoch Funeral Home & Cremation Service - Marion  
3855 Katz Drive  
Marion, IA 52302  
info@murdochfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.murdochfuneralhome.com/>

## Additional Visitation

JUL 16. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Isidore Catholic Church - Springville  
603 6th Street  
Springville, IA 52336

## Funeral Mass

JUL 16. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Isidore Catholic Church - Springville  
603 6th Street  
Springville, IA 52336

# Tribute Wall



“ *Murdoch Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of John Douglas Miller*



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**Murdoch Funeral Homes & Cremation Service** - July 15 at 12:29 PM

BG

“ *I loved Marcia Heims' post about John. John was definitely always very preoccupied with eating. I got invited to eat with the Millers a bunch of times when Ray and John were in high school and were a couple of bottomless pits. (Growing boys, athletes.) They would make these massive meals and Ray and John would just devour everything. I could be stuffed, but of course John would be snacking on chips or cookies or whatever about 10 minutes later. My mom has a huge pot for cooking -- her largest pot. To this day, we still (jokingly, affectionately) call it "the Miller pot". : ) -- Bob Green*

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**Bob Green** - August 04 at 05:23 PM

BG

“ *Sorry this took me so long to post. Hope some people still get a chance to see it.*

*John was my best friend from middle school and high school. (I think I was AMONG his best friends, but he was MY best friend.) We played basketball together, carpoled for basketball practices, sat next to each other on the school bus almost every day for about 4 years, had a lot of fun. We also hung out a lot outside of school. Lots of great memories. I was mostly a reject in high school, but John thought I was a character. He was a true friend--one of the best I ever had--and I really did love the guy. But I hardly kept in touch after high school, and now I'm really kicking myself. Wasted decades of friendship. And by the time I found out how sick John was, it was too late to tell him how much he meant to me or even to say goodbye. Let that be a lesson to everyone. My condolences to all the Miller family and to everyone who cared about John. Although we hardly kept in touch, I'm really going to miss him.*

*-- Bob Green*

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**Bob Green** - August 04 at 04:56 PM

TK

“ *My condolences thoughts and prayers to the entire family. May your memories help you through the difficult times.*

Tanja Klemmer - July 16 at 06:37 PM

JT

“ *Rip john. Sending prayers to your loved ones. Untill we meet again my friend*

Jerry thompson - July 14 at 08:12 PM

PF

“ *Phil Fristad purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John Douglas Miller.*



Phil Fristad - July 14 at 01:08 PM

MS

“ *oh my this is not so easy to do I'm going to share how funny memory with everybody one time when John and Ray were helping my dad bump work on their roof John took the handle of the broom that he was using and he banged it on the roof and he hollered down the exhaust pipe to my mom and he said woman when is lunch ready and it scared her and she said she was standing in front of the sink and she almost jumped in the sink but we have so many good memories I just thought I'd share a funny one with you we are so blessed to have known John because of Ray and Gary our oldest son introduced John and I and Carol and Jan and that's how we got to know their family for over 40 years and we just think that John Douglas was a blessing to know him his name is John Douglas and our middle sons name is Douglas John remember the good times and not the trying times and you will have a beau/*

Marsha h e i m s - July 13 at 03:30 PM

MS

“ Oh my this is not the easiest thing to do but I have so many fun and funny memories of John I'll tell you one that was a good one and Ray John we're helping my dad bump fix the roof and John took the handle of the broom that he was using and he banged it on the roof and hollered down a pipe to my mom and he said woman what's for breakfast and it scared my mom and she just about jumped she said into the sink and she was standing in front of it so that isn't funny memory and our families have known each other for over 40 years and our kids grew up together and John's name is John Douglas Miller and our second son is Douglas John Hines but they have the same name just turned around I could go on for so much longer but I'm not going to but I just thought a funny memory would make you smile John always acted happy to see us and he always had a smile for us and he would see my husband when they were driving trucks and wave and sometimes he had to say hi on their radios so it was many memories and I'm so proud to have known him I think that he was a blessing to have been in our lives remember the good times and forget the trying times God bless you all Diane Nicole Logan Jan Ray and d a w n we love you guys John and Marshà h éim

Marsha h e i m s - July 13 at 03:19 PM

LF

“ Diane, I am so sorry to hear about John. My prayers are with you and your family.

Lynn FencI

Lynn FencI - July 13 at 07:21 AM

AB

“ Janet and family,  
I'm so very sorry for your loss. It is a heart breaker for sure. Always think of his beautiful smile and hold his memory close to your heart.

With my sympathy,  
Annamae Baker

annamae baker - July 12 at 09:59 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Douglas Miller.



July 12 at 06:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Douglas Miller.*



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July 12 at 03:54 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Douglas Miller.*



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July 12 at 12:06 PM

CS

“ *Diane and Nicole -- I am sorry to hear about the loss of John. My thoughts and prayers are with you and may your treasured memories help ease the difficult days. Carla Slade*

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**Carla Slade** - July 12 at 09:10 AM

SF

“ *Diane and Nicole,  
I will miss the smiling face of John. He always made everyone feel welcome and had great stories to tell. The world has lost a "good one". May your memories help you to heal.*

*Stephanie Fisher (classmat)*

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**Stephanie Fisher** - July 12 at 01:12 AM

MH

“ *We are sad to lose a our friend, John. He always had a great smile and a pleasure to visit with. Our deepest condolences to his family.  
Ted and Marie Hansen*

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**Marie Hansen** - July 11 at 09:26 PM