



Robert Clayton Schaefer (R John)

February 25, 2017

Robert Clayton Schaefer (R John), age 72, of Lawrenceville, GA passed away Saturday, February 25, 2017. He was preceded in death by his first wife of forty-one years, Ellen Judy Schaefer (2010). He is survived by his wife, Joyce Palmer Lytton, Suwanee, GA; his son, John Schaefer and his wife, Lori Schaefer and their two children, Rebecca and Jacob, Lawrenceville, GA; his daughter, Beth Schaefer Sharp, and her husband, Dave Sharp and their three children, Matthew, Joseph, and Amelia, New Holland, PA. Robert Clayton Schaefer (R John) was born January 3, 1945 and raised in Brooklyn, NY. He attended the New York Police Department Academy after high school. He served as an active New York City Police officer until 1985 when he retired and relocated to Longwood, Florida. While residing in Florida he worked for Seminole County Schools at Lake Brantley High School where he was a beloved coach until 2001. R John continued his career in education when he moved to Lawrenceville, GA in 2001 where he worked at McKendree Elementary School in Gwinnett County until he retired in October 2016. He was also a member of the Blue Knights GA XVI chapter of Blue Knights International. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 4, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel of Flanigan Funeral Home with Chaplain Norwood Davis of 12Stone officiating. The family will receive friends on Friday, March 3, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

To express condolences, please sign our online guest book at www.flaniganfuneralhome.com. Arrangements By: Junior E. Flanigan of Flanigan Funeral Home and Crematory, Buford, GA (770) 932-1133.

Tribute Wall



“ Robert Clayton Schaefer (R John)

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ John and Beth , it was an honor to meet you both Friday evening. John would be so proud of you both at the way you honored him on Saturday. John, when I look at you I see your father, and Beth, when you tell your Dad's jokes you make me laugh like John did. John and Ellen raised children that make them proud, and your children in my short assessment are raised with the same values your Dad and Mom instilled in both of you. I was so fortunate to know your Dad and call him a friend. From all I have read about your Dad, he made a difference in others lives. To me, that's a testament to a great man.

Ed and Dee Rector - March 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Professional, Humorous, Fun Loving , A Truly Loyal Ranger Hockey Fan and Overall Good Guy to just name a few of Bobby's ("chunky's) Attributes. Bobby made a difference to all he met in life whether it was Casual or a long standing relation he was A True Friend. It is with this I would like to extend my Sincere Condolences to all of Bobby's Beloved Family and Friend. Now to my Brother Bobby, 24 Pct. NYPD, See you on the otherside , Save me a seat at that table of Heavenly Choir Practice. R.I.P. Til we meet again.

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Artie Scarry
artslosttime@aol.com

Artie Scarry - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest condolences to the Schaefer Family. I will remember Bobby for being a devoted family man, friend and a great Cop. When I worked with him in the 24th. Pct. he was always the first to help a brother officer. He always had our backs.

Gone to soon. God speed brother.

Roy Alberti - March 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *My Deepest Condolences.
John Cappelmann 24th Pct. 67-73.*

John Cappelmann - February 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ *John was such a lovely man. the success of his life can be measured by the values he instilled in his children and grandchildren. It was a privelege to know him.*

Pat Gorman - February 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ *My deepest condolences to the Schaefer Family. It was a great honor to know you, and work with you in the 24th Pct, NYCPD. It was so nice to see you at our last reunion in 2016. Rest In Peace Brother. Al*

Al Torrado - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *Joyce, so sorry to hear of your husband passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Thad Bynum - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *Sending love and prayers.*

Bud and Nita Sauers Haight - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *MAY GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU IN THE PALM OF HIS HAND AND MAY HE WATCH OVER YOU AS YOU PATROL THE STREETS OF HEAVEN. IT WAS AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE TO WORK WITH YOU IN THE 24 PCT. JOHN G.*

JOHN GIANGARRA - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *Prayers and condolences to the Schaefer family. It was an honor to work with Bobby for many years in the 24pct.*

Bill Lang - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I remember the day Bobby walked into the 24 Precinct. He fit right in with the boys. The precinct at the time was an experimental command with mostly younger cops so it became a fraternity and that was unbelievably close. We worked together, hung out together and faced incredible danger as a group dedicated to cleaning up a city out of control! Bobby was the very best among us. He will be dearly missed, my heart and prayers go out to his family...God Bless Bobby! I will never watch a hockey game without thinking fondly of "Chunky"!

Mike Sheehan - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time and always!

Judy & Dave Adanich - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JZ

“ RIP Brother. You will never be forgotten

Jerry Zandman - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Bobby was a dear friend,a GOOD cop and one who ALWAYS lightened the load.You will REALLY be missed by ALL.RIP
JIMBO-24 Pct

Jimmy Gerosimo - February 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM