



John Sylvester Hergenrother

September 29, 1934 - October 22, 2019

John Sylvester (Jack) Hergenrother died peacefully on October 22, 2019 at his home in Sarasota, FL. Jack was born on September 29, 1934 in Chewton, PA to Paul Sylvester and Cecelia (Sobczyk) Hergenrother.

Jack was the eldest of five children. His beloved younger brother, Paul M. Hergenrother, pre-deceased him. Jack grew up in Chewton and loved playing baseball and piano. He graduated from Ellwood City High School in 1952. He served in the US Army in Japan just after the Korean War and completed college courses at Fairleigh Dickinson University. He was a proud member of the Disabled American Veterans organization.

Jack met the love of his life, Harriet Joan Drake in 1963 and they were married on June 19, 1965. Jack and Harriet had three children: John Michael, Dawn Marie and Paul Henry, and raised them in Ramsey, NJ.

Jack worked as a technical service representative for Addressograph Multigraph and Datacard for more than 35 years before retiring in 1996. He and Harriet enjoyed their homes on Lake Wallenpaupack in Pennsylvania and in Sarasota, FL. Jack adored and was most proud of his family, and enjoyed spending time with them, as well as fishing and working as a community handyman.

Jack is survived by his beloved wife of 54 years, Harriet J. Hergenrother. He is also survived by his son, John M. Hergenrother and his wife Christie and their children Laura, Emma, Julia and Steven Hergenrother; his daughter, Dawn M. Zito and her husband Glenn Zito and their children Allison and Victoria Mills and Nicholas and Gianna Zito; and his son Paul H. Hergenrother and his partner Rob Martin. Jack is also survived by his younger siblings Sally Blakaitis, Constance Burke and James Hergenrother and their families.

A visitation will take place at the Toale Brothers Funeral Home at 40 N. Orange Ave., Sarasota, FL from 5 to 7 pm on Friday, October 25.

The funeral will be held at St. Martha Catholic Church in Sarasota at 11 am on Saturday, October 26.

Interment will be at the Sarasota National Cemetery on Tuesday, October 29 at 9:30 am.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Jack's memory to the DAV, 7177 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota, FL 34241.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **25**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Toale Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory - Colonial Chapel
40 N. Orange Avenue
Sarasota, FL 34236
(941) 955-4171
info@toalebrothers.com
<https://www.toalebrothers.com/>

Funeral Service

OCT **26**. 11:00 AM.

St. Martha Catholic Church
200 N. Orange Ave
Sarasota, FL

Tribute Wall

HA

“ *Harriet sent a virtual gift in memory of John Sylvester Hergenrother*



Harriet - November 13, 2019 at 04:10 PM

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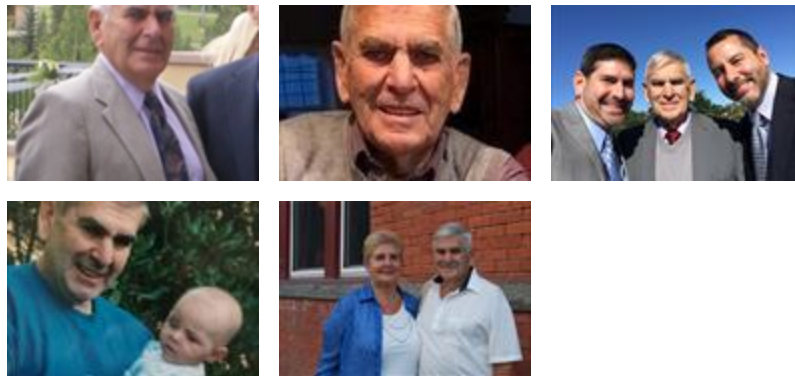
“ *Harriet lit a candle in memory of John Sylvester Hergenrother*



Harriet - November 13, 2019 at 04:06 PM

PH

“ *21 files added to the album John S. Hergenrother*



Paul Hergenrother - November 12, 2019 at 12:51 PM

TF

“ *The Sierra Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of John Sylvester Hergenrother.*



The Sierra Family - October 24, 2019 at 10:26 AM

JH

“ *Dear Harriet,
We are heartbroken for you to have lost your Jack. You did so much together and shared your love of family. Joan and Bert Haring*

Joan Haring - October 24, 2019 at 09:11 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Sylvester Hergenrother.*



October 23, 2019 at 07:26 PM

MK

“ *Dear Harriet and family. I am very sad to learn of the passing of your husband. Going to Florida for the winter was to be a happy time. I wish you, your children and grandchildren the strength to deal with this difficult situation. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers at this sad time.
Love your canasta and mahjong friend,
Marie Kopesky*

Marie Kopesky - October 23, 2019 at 05:54 PM