



John Gregory Ryan

April 9, 1958 - August 12, 2017

John Gregory Ryan, 59, of Nokomis, died suddenly on Saturday, August 12, 2017.

Born in Fort Pierce to Joseph and Dorothy Ryan, he moved to Venice at six months old when his father took a management position at Florida Power & Light. He attended Venice Presbyterian Church preschool, Venice Elementary and Venice Junior and Senior high schools, graduating in 1976. He attended Florida Technological University, the University of Florida and graduated from University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee. He worked for Florida Power & Light for 15 years, moving from meter reader to customer service manager. He began at the Venice Area Chamber of Commerce as membership director and proceeded to president, recently celebrating 20 years of service.

He was a member of the Venice Nokomis Rotary Club and served on numerous governmental and community boards throughout the years. John was loved by so many for his quick wit, ready smile and caring nature. He was humble in leadership and a stalwart advocate for Venice.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brother Michael and niece Jodie Hollowell.

He is survived by his wife Anne, daughter Michelle Ryan, grandson Jensen

McCoy, sister Sandy Sanzone, nephews Jay (Kerry) Ryan, Chris (Theresa) Ryan, Jason (Yancy) Nixon, Connor Schweikert, nieces Jamie (Nick) Turco, Cameron and Maia Schweikert, and eight great nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, August 19, at 11 am at St. Mark's Episcopal Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Venice Nokomis Rotary Club, P.O. Box 8, Venice, Florida 34284.

Tribute Wall

KC

“ He’s often in my thoughts, but with John’s birthday in just a few days, I’m thinking about him, his wife Anne, his brother Mike, his niece Jodie, and parents Joe and Dot. You’re all missed so much. With love, Kathy (Ryan) Cochrane 🌹

Kathy Cochrane - April 06, 2021 at 08:58 PM

DH

“ Our prayers are with you, Anne and Michelle and your whole family. John was a super person and contributed so much to the community and warmly touched the lives of all who knew and met him. His radiant smile, handshake and kindness will be remembered by everyone. He will be missed! We share in your grief but know that your faith will sustain and guide you.

Don Hillerich - August 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PN

“ John's light will always burn bright with the Venice, Nokomis community. He will be sorely missed and never forgotten.

To Anne and Michelle, faith will see you through, and memories will help fill the hole in your hearts.

Pam Nickell

Pam Nickell - August 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ John and I graduated from the Chamber of Commerce Institute for Organizational Management in 2003. Miraculously our class still all stayed in touch over the last 14 years. John was a stand out in our class. He always had a smile, words of encouragement and kindness. His passing exemplifies the saying that, Life is too short. My prayers are for his family and friends that have lost a good man. John, RIP my friend.

August 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Anne and Michelle, you are in my prayers. John was so devoted to you both. We are all lucky to have shared memories with him. He was a very good man and will be missed. Rest in peace John Ryan....

Bobbie Hill - August 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ The Englewood Chamber is sadden to hear of John's passing. Ever since I became the Executive Director of the Englewood Chamber (3 1/2 years ago) John has been available for advice and guidance whenever he was asked. He will be missed.

Ed Hill - August 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy goes to Anne and Michelle and the entire Ryan family. John made such an impact on the city of Venice and also as a Rotarian. May he rest in peace. Chuck & Colette Russell

Colette Russell - August 15, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Memories of all the classes we sat through together come racing back to my mind. Thanks, John, for making school a fun place to go and for always leading by example. Gone much too soon. You will be missed dearly by the class of '76.

Rhonda James - August 15, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ John will always be remembered for his quick wit, his exemplary leadership, and the utmost respect he gave his community and its residents. Anne, Michelle, the Ryan family and the Chamber family lost John too soon, and so did the Venice area community. I will always remember his kindness, his ability to view all parts of a situation before acting, and his love for his family as he spoke of them often.

Sandi Pridemore - August 15, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Our sincere condolences for Anne and Michelle. We are so sorry for your loss. John was well respected and loved. He will be remembered always. Our prayers for your strength through this time. Blaise and Kathy Castellano

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