



## John T. Pettit

March 3, 1957 - May 28, 2023

John T. Pettit passed away on May 28, 2023, after an accidental fall at the age of 66.

He was born in Philadelphia, PA, grew up in Havertown, PA, and graduated from Haverford HS in 1975. He forged a great career in Business Resiliency, a field of importance after 9/11. A Florida and St Augustine Beach Resident for 17 years, he was a great lover of the beach. He was an artist, musician, and photographer.

John's greatest role was as a father to Shawn (Jennifer) Pettit of Cincinnati, OH, and Katelyn (AJ) Harley of Essington, PA. He was an adoring grandfather, known as "HapPop" to Rory, Vivi, and Ryan.

John is survived by his wife Catherine (née France) and a brother, David (Donna) Pettit, and many nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his parents, Anne and Robert Pettit, and a brother, Bob Pettit, and sister, Jane Elliott. He is well-loved by family and friends.

A memorial is being planned for August 2023 in Pennsylvania. Charitable donations may be made in his name to <https://www.jdrf.org/>, The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.



# Tribute Wall

TK

“ Truly and deeply sad to read about John’s passing. He was an incredibly kind, caring soul. He was my Heinze I’m our Senior High School musical, THE PAJAMA GAME and we recently reminisced about that time together. He will be missed. Condolences to his lovely wife Cathy and to his children and grandchildren. A life gone way to soon.

trudy graboyes ( Klausner) - June 01, 2023 at 07:53 AM

CJ

Cathy, I’m just finding out about this. My heart breaks for you and I pray you find peace in the wake of your loss. I send my love and prayers to you and your family. Always, Chris

Chris Jones - December 15, 2024 at 01:41 PM

DB

“ So sorry for your loss.. John was a nice caring man.. You will be missed. Rest In Peace ❤️



dawn Bilbrough - May 31, 2023 at 10:29 PM

CF

“ Cathy France-Pettit lit a candle in memory of John T. Pettit



Cathy France-Pettit - May 31, 2023 at 09:54 PM

EM

“ Our deepest condolences to John's wife, Cathy, and to John's children, adored grand children, and family.

*John had a wide breadth of talents. He was intelligent, gifted artistically, loved his music, had a geeky streak that I adored, and told groaner puns or jokes that he would laugh at and I would groan, but still appreciated and laughed at while groaning!*

*I have many memories of him: from a smile full of joy, playing a guitar and singing to Cathy at their wedding to, more recently, walking through the dancing lights and colors of the Van Gogh exhibit.*

*His smile, talking to his grandchild Rory during a call on a tablet or in pictures taken with his grandchildren.*

*He was a good man, very gracious and those he loved in his life, he loved unreservedly.*

*Bruce and I know that he will be missed and remembered.*

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**ELIZABETH MONROE** - May 31, 2023 at 09:53 PM