



John C. Sullivan

July 22, 1950 - January 7, 2017

On January 7, 2017, John “Sully” Sullivan, 66, of Lakeland, passed away after his battle against cancer. John was born on July 22, 1950, to Clifford and Helen (Stone) Sullivan in Potsdam, NY. In June 1968, John graduated from Potsdam High School, and he moved to Syracuse, NY, where he attended and graduated from Onondaga Community College in May 1971. After earning his Associate Degree in Applied Science for Radio and Television, John worked for the Houston Broadcasting Company in Syracuse as an announcer and programmer. He was known to his audience as Gentlemen John. In 1974, John earned the position of Deputy Sheriff with the Onondaga County Sheriff’s Department. Throughout his career, John worked in transport and then became head of security at the Justice Center. John retired from the Sheriff’s Office with thirty years of service during which he achieved the rank of Lieutenant.

John lived his life as a true gentlemen and man of great faith. He loved his family and never missed a birthday or family celebration. John exemplified the meaning of unselfishness as he would never miss an opportunity to lend a helping hand or a kind word. From his strong hand shake to his huge heart he was truly an amazing man.

Left to cherish his memory are his cousin Marie Mersfelder and family, Megan Ladouceur and family, the Casey brothers, John Thomas McDonald and family, the Corbett brothers, as well as his many cousins who loved him dearly.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10:00 am Friday, January 13, 2017 at Our Lady of Peace Church, Lakeland. Private burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Canton. Family and friends may call from 4 to 7 pm Thursday, January 12, 2017 at BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, 2601 Milton Avenue.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the American Cancer Society.

Please offer online condolences at www.bagozzitwins.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Cemetery - Canton

6209 County Route 27
Canton, NY 13617

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JAN 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bagozzi Twins Funeral Home, Inc.
2601 Milton Ave.
Solvay, NY 13209
(315) 468-2431
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Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 13. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Peace Church
203 Halcomb St.
Syracuse, NY 13209

Tribute Wall



“ *Bagozzi Twins Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John C. Sullivan*



BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, INC. - January 12, 2017 at 08:38 AM

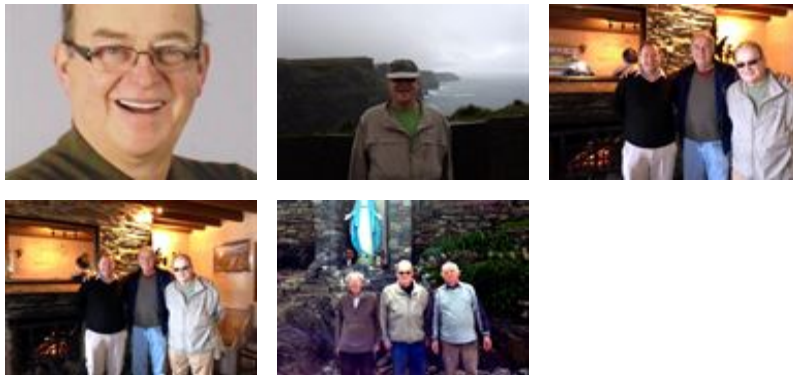


“ *John C. Sullivan*

January 21, 2023 at 02:11 PM



“ *39 files added to the album Life Tributes*



BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, INC. - January 12, 2017 at 08:31 AM

RZ

“ *Best Lieutenant ever! Always willing to teach, listen, and share a laugh. I am lucky to have known you and worked for you. Great people grew up in Potsdam ;) It is true that the good die young. I look forward to seeing you in the next life, Sully.*

Rhonda Zellweger - January 11, 2017 at 10:40 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of John C. Sullivan.*



January 11, 2017 at 12:24 PM

EK

“ *A quick wit, Irish eyes smiling all the time, with a story or two he'd laugh to the end.
A kind word for all, never held a grudge. A gentleman was "Sully," my friend.*

You have been missed over the past year and will continue to be for some time. But I know that you are in the presences of a loving God who has welcomed you home. And your pain and suffering have been cast aside, forever.

Until we meet again,

Elaine & Larry

E. Kutz - January 10, 2017 at 06:04 PM

SB

“ I am sorry to hear of your loss. I am a neighbor and believe John was a true gentlemen. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Sue Biggs

Susan Biggs - January 10, 2017 at 04:58 PM

BM

“ Marie, Bill, Tiffany and Matt, In all the years we have known John he was a true gentleman. He loved you guys and your families with all his heart and you saw that every time we got together for family celebrations. It was truly an honor to know him and he will be missed by so many. Love to you all! Aunt Barb & Uncle Peter

Barbara Mersfelder-Jacobs - January 10, 2017 at 07:50 AM

SM

“ John was my FTO when I graduated from the academy and it's then that I learned what an intelligent and kind man he was. He loved to tell a story and we shared many about our adventures in Ireland. I am proud to call John a friend and he will be missed.

Sandra Molta - January 10, 2017 at 04:53 AM

MC

“ Rest In Peace, Lieutenant.

Mike Caiella - January 09, 2017 at 10:07 PM

KB

“ One of my C-Watch Lieutenants in the PSB. Loved him as our Watch Commander, and even more as a friend. He was smart, kind, and quick with a story. Glad his suffering is past, I'll miss seeing his smiling face

Kevin Brisson - January 09, 2017 at 09:37 PM

JC

“ John was a great man and such a gentle soul. I had the pleasure of working for him in his many different supervisory roles with the OCSO. I learned a lot from him and I feel honored to have known him. I am so sorry for your loss. - John Colelli (Clermont, Florida)

John Colelli - January 09, 2017 at 09:16 PM

MS

“ 1 file added to the album New Album Name



Michele Salvett - January 09, 2017 at 09:00 PM

JB

“ RIP brother....you were a great man and a mentor with a huge heart.....I'm going to miss our morning mailroom chats. Jim Barrella

Jim Barrella - January 09, 2017 at 07:58 PM

CB

“ We had the pleasure of working with John at the Onondaga County Sheriffs Dept. We became good friends and shared a lot of good times. He will be greatly missed. So sorry for your loss. John will always be in our hearts and memories. Carol Busch and Tim Miller

Carol Busch - January 09, 2017 at 07:41 PM

LB

“ *Condolences to John's family...I worked with him for many years at the Onondaga Co. Sheriff's Dept, and he was always such a gentleman to me...so sorry to hear of his passing....Loretha Baums*

Loretha Baums - January 09, 2017 at 07:16 PM

TE

I had the pleasure of working with John for many years.He was a great person and inspiration to everyone. RIP. Tim Emmons

Tim Emmons - January 09, 2017 at 09:08 PM