



## John Walter Tuck

March 22, 1952 - June 12, 2020

John Walter Tuck, 68, of Danville, VA departed this life on Friday, June 12, 2020 following a brief illness.

John was born in Danville, VA on March 22, 1952 a son of the late Earl Stafford Tuck, Sr., and Norma Mills Tuck, who survives.

John lived all his life in Danville area. He was a graduate of Tunstall High School class of 1970 and Averett University, where he received a Master's of Education. He was employed by Dan River Inc. and later retired from Danville Public Schools after 15 years of service.

John loved the performing arts. He shared his love of flowers and the spirit of giving with many. John was very outgoing, caring, and loving. He never met a stranger. He was a firm believer in equal rights for everyone. He was an avid Dolly Parton fan. He attended Mosley United Methodist Church until its closure. He loved his church and church family.

Survivors include his mother, Norma M. Tuck, sisters, Norma Jo Allen (Sam), twin sister, Judy Tuck-Hudson, Jeanne T. Burnette (Charles), brother, Earl S. Tuck, Jr, three nieces, Stephanie Ingram (Anthony), Michele Bouchard (Todd), Allison Pritchett (Michael), three nephews, Jason Burnette (Sascha), Brad Burnette, Todd Burnette, (Juliet) and he leaves behind a special friend, J. T. Miller.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 2:00 PM at the Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel conducted by the Rev. Susan Hannah, the Rev. Lisa Nordan, and the Rev. Intek Oh.

The family will be at the residence of his mother, Norma M. Tuck at 1060 Inman Road on Monday and Tuesday from 3:00-7:00 PM.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is serving the Tuck family.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Walter Tuck*



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**Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes** - June 15, 2020 at 03:47 PM

KP

*Absolutely beautiful! Wonderful memories!  
We love you John.  
Keith Pickerel*

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**Keith Pickerel** - June 16, 2020 at 12:16 PM

LM

*I have never seen something more beautiful than this so for for y'all's loss my heart prayers and love is with each one of y'all*

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**Lisa McDaniel** - June 16, 2020 at 01:47 PM

CD

*My love and sympathy to the Tuck family. John was a great guy! He never met a stranger. I have good memories of our good old days at Grove Park Elementary School. John was special and a joy to work with. John will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Rest in peace!*

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**Charlotte Davis** - June 16, 2020 at 03:29 PM

WT

*I really enjoyed watching the video of such a lovely and sweet person. He will be missed!*

*Wanda Travis(D.P.S.)*

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**Wanda Travis** - June 16, 2020 at 06:45 PM

MI

*A truer friend you'll never find! Such a loving and kind hearted person. You will be missed, John Tuck! Love and prayers to the family.*

*Marcellous Reeves, III (D.P.S.)*

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**Marcellous Reeves, III** - June 16, 2020 at 08:50 PM

KM

*I learned some of my best dance moves growing up with cousin John. Bigger than life and so much fun! He'll certainly be missed! Prayers for his family.*

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**Kim Moore Monroe** - June 16, 2020 at 09:15 PM

KP

*What a beautiful testimony to Johnny's love of life, family and friends. Seeing all these memories really tugged at my heartstrings. He was a blessing to all who knew him and I will forever treasure him in my heart. Please know that I am thinking of all of you, and wish so much that I could be there with you. Much love, Kirk*

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**Kirk Pickerel** - June 16, 2020 at 11:41 PM

BR

*I did not know John for long but I found him to be a friendly and kind man. He will be missed.*

*Sincerest Condolences*

*Bonita Richardson*

*D.p.s.*

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**Bonita Richardson** - June 17, 2020 at 02:59 AM

KD

*Judy I am so very sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family. Love Kim Doss*

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**Kim Doss** - June 17, 2020 at 01:49 PM

JB

*Jan burnette my prayers and love to the Tuck family and to you Judy in watching tribute wall you can see the love your family's have for one another good be with you*

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**Jan burnette** - June 17, 2020 at 02:34 PM

TJ

*A beautiful tribute to a beautiful soul. I truly enjoyed working with John at Grove Park. We could always count on him to make laugh. He will truly be missed. Heaven has gained a wonderfully funny angel.*

**Tanya James-Wilson** - June 24, 2020 at 09:19 AM

RS

*This is John's long-time friend Rachel. He and I met in Cincinnati many, many years ago and we stayed in touch all this time, even after I moved to California. A few days ago I learned of his passing only because I tried to call him and sadly found both his numbers out of service. John was very dear to me - as he was to so many people in his life. I would dearly love to talk with his sister Judy, but have found no way to get her number. So, dear Judy, if you would call me, I'll be grateful. My number is 510-459-8820. With all my heart, your friend Rachel Starosky*

**Rachel Starosky** - July 06, 2020 at 12:39 AM

SM

“ *Susie Mitchell donated a tree that is selected and planted where most needed in the world in memory of John Tuck.*

**Susie Mitchell** - July 10, 2020 at 07:56 AM

SM

“ *Susie Mitchell donated money to purchase a tree in Memory of John Tuck. The tree is selected and planted by an organization that decides where trees are most needed in the world.*

**Susie L Mitchell** - July 09, 2020 at 07:34 AM

SM

“ *Susie Mitchell purchased a tree in memory of John Tuck. The tree is to be selected and planted wherever it is most needed in the world.*

**Susie L Mitchell** - July 09, 2020 at 07:27 AM

VG

“ I was saddened to learn of John’s recent death. He has been a good friend for many years. May you find comfort through family, friends and the gift off all good memories.  
With loving sympathy.

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**vorginia Garmon** - June 23, 2020 at 04:27 PM

JJ

“ Judy Richardson Jarvis lit a candle in memory of John Walter Tuck



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**Judy Richardson Jarvis** - June 19, 2020 at 03:46 PM

JJ

“ Hello, This is Judy Richardson Jarvis. Even though I have not seen John in years, when I think of him I always think of him in high school (along with Judy of course), his big smile and dynamic personally. He was contagious around others. I'm so sorry you have lost your son, brother and best friend. My prayers go out to all of you and you will be in my thoughts and prayers for days to come. :)

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**Judy Richardson Jarvis** - June 19, 2020 at 03:35 PM

JH

“ To the Tuck Family,  
I was so sorry to hear of John's passing. Of course I knew him from us attending high school together and my husband worked with him at Dan River Mills. When we were in school we used to talk from time to time. Once he surprised me at Christmas by giving me a small decorative jewelry container that I still have today. After graduation life took us in different directions but because we lived in the same town, our paths would cross from time to time. We would always stop to speak briefly even though one of us (and sometimes both of us) seemed to be on a mission that gave us little time to speak. I was so proud of his success in teaching. As a teacher myself, I was more proud of John that he was able to accomplish this latter in life. But that was John!

I was unable to come to the funeral but I did go by the day before and spent a lengthy time there. After looking at all the beautiful flowers (and reading each card) and watching the video of his life, I said my good-byes. I know how hard this is for your family as I, too, lost a brother in death a few years ago. The memories you hold will sustain you along with your faith in God. Please know that my prayers are with you all. John will not be forgotten!



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**Janet Teague Hullender** - June 18, 2020 at 11:29 AM

M.

“ John Tuck and I met many years ago working at Grove Park Elementary School. We shared a Small Group Reading Classroom. He was a great teacher and loved to see students learn. His voice was engaging.

John 's smile and energy was wonderful, and he was so full of life. He would always share his adventures on his many many cruises. I will always remember how he loved people regardless of race , creed, culture etc.

Marjorie Dawson

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**M.Dawson** - June 18, 2020 at 05:38 AM

MS

“ I was privileged to work with John at Grove Park. He made every day more enjoyable just because he was there. He was not only a colleague but a friend. Listening to his service in my car was different but still special.

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**Martha Sule** - June 17, 2020 at 03:01 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of John Walter Tuck.



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June 17, 2020 at 10:49 AM

RJ

“ I was very blessed to meet John at Grove Park when he started his teaching career. He loved his students, friends, family, and truly had a heart of gold. I will miss his friendship tremendously. My thoughts and prayers and with all of his family. ❤️

Robin Jackson - June 17, 2020 at 09:57 AM

RJ

“ Robin Jackson lit a candle in memory of John Walter Tuck



Robin Jackson - June 17, 2020 at 09:51 AM

TM

“ We were so sorry to learn that John passed on. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Tuck family at this difficult time. Deepest sympathy, Tyree and Susan Morris

Tyree Morris - June 17, 2020 at 09:34 AM

MA

“ John had talents and gifts and an open heart .

Madonna - June 17, 2020 at 06:39 AM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of John Walter Tuck.



June 16, 2020 at 09:09 PM

EA

“ Eric, Bettie & Jordan Abernathy purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of John Walter Tuck.



Eric, Bettie & Jordan Abernathy - June 16, 2020 at 08:22 PM

M'

“ Very sad to hear of the earthly departure of John, Tiger Tuck. John and I occasionally talked in the Tunstall halls going to classes. Then we spoke again at a class reunion several years back. Quite a nice, thoughtful and enjoyable guy. My thoughts go out to the family.

Marty Smith, Tunstall '70 - June 16, 2020 at 03:28 PM

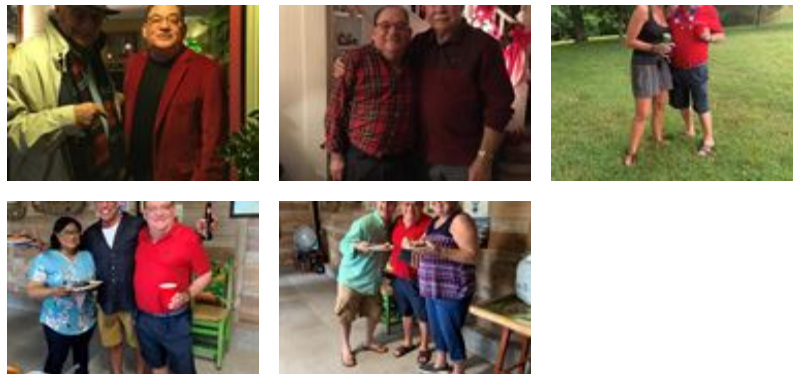
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It's Marty Smith - Tunstall '70. Their posting screwed it up!

Marty Smith - June 16, 2020 at 03:30 PM



“ 12 files added to the album Life Tributes



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - June 16, 2020 at 03:05 PM

MW

“ I loved John. We went to DCC together and I tutored him in Chemistry. My husband knew him from Dan River Mills. I attended church with him and heard him sing in that beautiful voice of his. We shared a great friendship and I am so saddened by his death. I am praying for his family and dear friend, John Miller. RIP sweet friend.

Marianna Wilmoth - June 16, 2020 at 01:21 PM

DF

“ Our heartfelt condolences to the family of John W.Tuck. We're sorry for the loss . Johnny was a great guy with a heart of gold. Many memories of him. Prayers for the family.



Danny and Brenda Burnett & family - June 16, 2020 at 12:39 PM

CA

“ Mother Tuck & family, I am saddened and shocked of hearing of this tremendous loss; words fail me that convey my heartfelt and deepest sympathy. i have fond memories to recall of time spent together. Intellect, humor, and kindness are but a few attributes I recognize of the many. Wishing you comfort and strength in the days ahead realizing the pain and grief of are no more - rest in peace, John.. Charlie Adams, II, Belmont.



Charles Adams - June 16, 2020 at 09:43 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John Walter Tuck.* ”



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June 16, 2020 at 08:00 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Walter Tuck.* ”



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June 16, 2020 at 06:36 AM



“ *John was a very special person. I loved him very much. Rest in peace.* ”



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**Katherine Blair** - June 15, 2020 at 07:18 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Walter Tuck.* ”



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June 15, 2020 at 05:06 PM

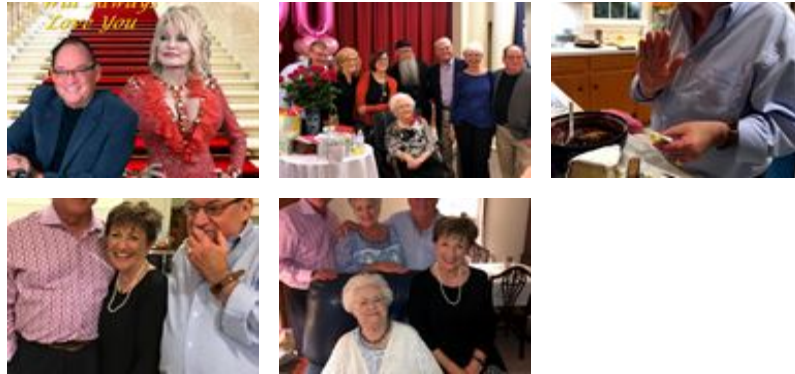
SH

“ John left a legacy of laughter and a genuine love of life behind him. Though I seldom saw him in recent years, whenever I did, he was still the same happy, fun-loving, crazy guy he was in high school! What a unique and great guy he was. My heart aches for his family, as I know how close you are. May God comfort you all.

Sandra White Hylton - June 15, 2020 at 05:04 PM



“ 215 files added to the album LifeTributes



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - June 15, 2020 at 03:27 PM

LH

“ Lynn Hudgins lit a candle in memory of John Walter Tuck



Lynn Hudgins - June 15, 2020 at 01:09 PM



“ *Cindy Walker-Creasy lit a candle in memory of John Walter Tuck*



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**Cindy Walker-Creasy** - June 15, 2020 at 11:34 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to the family.*



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**Jo Ann Vernon** - June 15, 2020 at 08:41 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to the Tuck family. I worked with John at Dan River Mills he was a kind and friendly man and he kept me laughing. Willie Akers*

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**Willie Akers** - June 14, 2020 at 08:48 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of John Walter Tuck.*



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June 14, 2020 at 08:11 PM

CY

“ *My dear friend throughout my life. My heart is broken. John Tuck was one of the purest souls I ever knew. He lived his life in celebration of every new day, and if you were lucky, he took you along with him. I was lucky.  
Rest In Peace, my dear friend.*

*Carol Horton Younkin*

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**Carol Horton Younkin** - June 14, 2020 at 08:05 PM

JR

“ *It is so hard to believe that John is gone. My family and I have so many wonderful memories that we shared with him. We spent many family vacations together and so many good times at Emerald Isle. Christmas was always special because he always read a story to our children. John and I always talked about our love of the Young and the Restless and he was always genuinely interested in how my boys were doing in school . I'm so happy I was able to spend time with John in February for my birthday. Always a good time when he was present!! I love you and I will truly miss you my sweet friend!*

*Jill Knott Rhew and family*

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**Jill Rhew** - June 14, 2020 at 07:44 PM



“ My deepest sympathies to John's family. A couple of you will remember me. I taught English at Tunstall when you were there. I directed "Tiger" in VISIT TO A SMALL PLANET. How super he was, and what a good friend he became. John was just a great person and friend to everyone. I did keep in touch some through the years, but not enough. I loved the talks we did have on the phone and wish I could have come up to see him. I could tell in our phone conversations what a good teacher he had to be. John believed in what he did, and he believed in everybody. And he certainly did believe in equal rights for all. I will very much miss John. And I wish for the family a great comfort in your loss. I know how he loved you.

*Dick King(Benjamin R.)*

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**Benjamin King** - June 14, 2020 at 07:16 PM

MT

“ At family gatherings Johnny was the person I gravitated to. We always had such deep and interesting conversations. He was like a warm sweater wrapping me with love. I am going to miss him dearly, more than words can express.



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**Marylou de la Torre** - June 14, 2020 at 06:34 PM

KT

“ *It's not fair when a wonderful & kind person as Johnny is taken from us so soon. I always knew how special Johnny was! He always had kind words to say & always welcome you with a big smile & hug! Marylou & I went to see aunt Norma & it was Johnny's turn to be there, it was about 2:00 in the afternoon Johnny was still in his pajamas & said it was laundry day, so we sat for the next 3 hours Johnny still in his pajamas just talking. It was so much fun Johnny always made it that way. I miss & love you cousin Johnny! It will never be the same going to Danville.*



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**Keith Tuck** - June 14, 2020 at 06:25 PM



*Is that me up front and joe holding Keith 🤔*

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**Bobby Tuck** - June 17, 2020 at 12:05 PM

AH

“ Since last Wednesday upon hearing of my friend John in ICU, I honestly have not been able to put it all together. Being friends with John for 38 years, 18 of which I live one block away from him gave us many days and evenings together. He was a simple man but his heart and soul were pure, a gift not often seen. To be able to sit on his front porch surrounded by his many plants, hanging baskets, caladiums talking about the first things that pops up were the days when you knew friendship was real, with value. Never did he not tell me "I Love You" whether we were coming or going. His friendship was real because he made you feel that love. I know in the near future I will be able to get it all together for it will be that time when I could have used his hugs and words of comfort and love. John arrived to his Home just a little before any of us did. When my time comes I want to believe he will be there greeting me with that big hug. I can hear him say now, "What took you so long, let me show you my mansion."

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Al Harris - June 14, 2020 at 02:48 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Walter Tuck.



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June 14, 2020 at 02:44 PM

DK

“ Prayers for all the family, i knew John thru the Knott family and he was a great person and always had us laughing!! God Bless each of you and may you live in peace with the years and Memories you have of him. Deborah Keith



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**deborah keith** - June 14, 2020 at 02:39 PM

JP

“ John was such a lovable person. And I will say he was greatly love as part of our family. From reading Christmas stories to our kids to many vacations. I have many many great memories of him. Things will not be the same without his smiling face. Just such a great human being love for all. He will be greatly missed. The world lost a wonderful person but Heaven gained a precious angel. Jan Knott Patrick



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**Jan Knott Patrick** - June 14, 2020 at 02:16 PM

DH

“ So sorry to hear about the loss of your son may God comfort you during this difficult time . Praying for the family God bless yall



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**Debra Hankins** - June 14, 2020 at 01:55 PM

GK

“ I just can't image what my life is going to be like without my little buddy in it. He was one of the few, Best men I have ever known! John never met a stranger and after the first conversation with him you had a friend for life.

We share 38 years of wonderful memories that will never be forgotten. Through the good times and the bad times, the happy times to the sad times we shared it all! His family was just an extension of my family as my family was to him and he will forever remain in my heart! Rest in peace my dear dear friend until we meet again!



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**Gerald knott** - June 14, 2020 at 01:30 PM

SM

“ John was a people person! John and I worked together, after we had both retired at the front desk of the school board offices of DPS for about 5 month and then periodically. I enjoyed our conversations and time spent working together. I had know John before that, being a teacher at Schoolfield Elementary and had also enjoyed hearing him in the choir at Moseley when I would visit the church with my niece, Bunny, on special events. John was loved by many and will be missed. Thoughts and prayers to his family and friends!!

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**Sandra McFarling** - June 14, 2020 at 11:51 AM

SM

“ Dear Mrs. Tuck, J.T.Miller and family, Please accept our heartfelt condolences in the loss of John, who was a special friend to so many at DPS. I taught at DPS for 22 years and it was always such a pleasure to see and talk to him. Our son, Andrew, at Gibson Elementary, remarked what a nice individual and colleague he was and how much he will be missed. May your treasured memories take you through those difficult times. Fond regards, Sandra, Robert and the entire Marsh family

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**Sandra Marsh** - June 14, 2020 at 11:47 AM

KG

“ Kay Tuck, Linda Tuck Granzow purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Walter Tuck.



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**Kay Tuck, Linda Tuck Granzow** - June 14, 2020 at 10:56 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Walter Tuck.



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June 14, 2020 at 10:30 AM

JB

“ To all the Tuck family,  
I am so very saddened to hear of John's passing. He was a vibrant friend to all who knew him. I know his passing is leaving a large void in all your hearts. I remember John from Main Street UMC. He joined shortly before he left Dan River and entered education. He was always smiling and enjoying life. I feel privileged to have known him. He will be missed by more than just his family.  
Sending hugs to you all,  
Joan Bradford

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**Joan Bradford** - June 14, 2020 at 08:28 AM

TR

“ so sorry for you loss. we talked every time we saw each other .He was a very friendly person

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**thomas rigney** - June 14, 2020 at 07:29 AM

CE

“ What an amazing man. So funny. Great to talk to always smiling. I will miss you friend. Rest easy



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**Cindy E** - June 14, 2020 at 01:48 AM

JH

“ Joyce Hammock lit a candle in memory of John Walter Tuck



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**joyce Hammock** - June 13, 2020 at 10:06 PM

KW

“ I have fond and fun memories from "back in the day" at various parties including John, who was always the "life" and "laugh" of the gatherings!.....and in the midst of the glee, at some point he would always mention my grandma, Katherine Tucker, who he worked with at Dan River, and how fond he was of her.....as we travel through life, there are always a few people who stand out as truly enjoying and living life to the fullest, and John was one of them.....thanks for your spirited and positive influence you had on countless others who were fortunate to know you

Keith Walker - June 13, 2020 at 10:00 PM

MA

“ John taught me in the first grade at Grove Park Elementary School in 2000. He fast became one of my favorite teachers and we stayed in contact for the rest of his life. I'll never forget the many phone conversations we had, the many dinners we shared and our mutual love of Dolly Parton and the performing arts. It was an honor to call John a friend and anyone who knew him was very lucky. He called me Monday night and we talked for about 30 minutes which was pretty standard. He was in great spirits as always and I'll forever be thankful that we were able to have that half hour together. Until we meet again, John.



Mark Aaron - June 13, 2020 at 09:30 PM

 Todd Helms

I remember him talking about you and how proud he was of you. Todd Helms

Todd Helms - June 14, 2020 at 07:02 AM

CC

“ I just can't imagine not seeing my friend and sharing a hug and a laugh. My family have so many fond memories of John. He was so good to our twin girls. Every year when they were little on the Saturday before Easter? he would come and pick them up and they would go to his house for a tea party and he would read them *The Velveteen Rabbit*. They have never forgotten that. This world was a better place because of John. To know him was to love him. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family during this sad time.  
*Marlon, Carolyn, Megan and Erin*

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**Carolyn Compton** - June 13, 2020 at 07:42 PM



“ *Majestic Heart* was purchased for the family of John Walter Tuck.



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June 13, 2020 at 07:30 PM

HH

“ Yvonne and I were lucky to call John a friend, he was kind and loved life. His family and especially his mother were very important to him. John is now singing with the angels.  
*Harold Haraway*

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**Harold Haraway** - June 13, 2020 at 06:10 PM

CT

“ To my Tuck family, I am so very sad and sorry for the loss of Johnny. He was so full of life and love in his heart for all around him. There was never a time that I saw him that he didn't make me laugh and uplift me. He also would whisper little secret childhood memories in my ear that usually concerned Buster and Jenny and the pranks we played on them. But my most precious memory was when I moved back to Danville and Andrew my son was going to be in first grade at schoolfield elementary and Johnny took Andrew under his wing and reassured me that he would be there for Andrew and he absolutely was. Also every time I ran into Johnny he always asked about Andrew and was so proud that he went into the Marines. I spoke with Andrew last night and informed him of the passing of who he called Mr Tuck and he sends his condolences as well. Love all of y'all and God bless you all.  
Love Cindy Taylor



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Cynthia Taylor - June 13, 2020 at 06:09 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of John Walter Tuck.



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June 13, 2020 at 05:56 PM

BG

“ Johnny was always the nicest person in the crowd. I love both of his sisters and brother and mother very much .My deepest prayers and thoughts are with the family right now love you all Brian Grimes

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brian grimes - June 13, 2020 at 05:49 PM

VC

“ He was one of the nicest and funniest guys that I know. When he would come into the pharmacy at Walmart I usually got in trouble for talking too much and playing around with John. I could not help it I loved our conversations. RIP John. Going to miss seeing you around

Vicky Coleman - June 13, 2020 at 05:18 PM

KA

“ Anyone who knew John was impressed by his beautiful speaking and singing voice. I had the privilege of attending Moseley United Methodist and singing in some Christmas programs with him. It was always a pleasure to listen to his wonderful, deep voice. He will be missed.

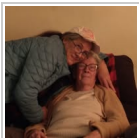
Kitty Adkins - June 13, 2020 at 04:09 PM

JC

“ I was in the choir at Moseley Memorial UMC with John. He was such a great person and was so gracious. He was a "hoot". He kept us laughing in the choir and at choir practice. He was a special person and had such talents. God has him a "singing angel". My husband, Dudley thought a lot of John also.

Janice Clayton

Janice Clayton - June 13, 2020 at 03:01 PM



“ John loved our son, Mark Aaron, beyond words. He believed in him and was a wonderful role model and friend to him for the past 20 years. We are heartbroken but know that he is resting in the arms of Jesus. With deepest sympathy, Terry & Jesse Andrews

Terry Andrews - June 13, 2020 at 03:00 PM

TC

“ John and I attended church together at Moseley UMC. He was a gentle soul with a caring heart, a sense of humor and a vibrant voice that he shared with us all through song, readings and dramatic presentations. My life was enriched by knowing him.



*Terrie Chaplin*

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**Terrie Chaplin** - June 13, 2020 at 02:07 PM

JA

“ John and I met at a party in 1991, became friends immediately and have remained so over these near-30 years. I will miss his honesty and enthusiasm for life! ❤️ Janet Aponte

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**Janet Aponte** - June 13, 2020 at 02:03 PM