



John Joseph Keating

December 13, 1926 - December 25, 2017

John Joseph Keating, age 91, of Yonges Island, passed away on December 25, 2017 at his home.

Funeral services will begin at 10 a.m. on December 30, 2017 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 4255 Highway 165, Yonges Island, SC. Burial will follow at Christ St. Paul's Episcopal Church Cemetery, 4981 Chapel Road, Hollywood, SC, at 11:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Salvation Army, P.O. Box, 70579, North Charleston, SC, 29415 or St. Mary's Catholic Church.

John was preceded in death by his daughter Kathleen, parents Emily and John, sisters Kathleen, Mary, Eileen, Emily and Patricia and brother Walter.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Patricia Kearse, daughter Karen Grooms (Cleveland), son Michael (Angela), son-in-law Joel Shealy, three grandchildren Christine Brandon (Jason), Eric and Erin Shealy and great-granddaughter Katie Brandon.

John was born on December 13, 1926 in Secaucus, NJ. He served in the U.S. Merchant Marine Service during WWII and the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He later served in the U.S. Naval Reserve and retired as a Senior Chief

Machinist Mate after 28 years. He retired from Naval Weapons Station Charleston/Polaris Missile Facility Atlantic as the Air Conditioning Equipment Mechanic Foreman in 1987 with 27 years of service. He was an active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church for more than 40 years.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to the Hollywood Fire Department, and Deidre and Sharon with Roper St. Francis Hospice.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at www.jamesadyal.com.

ARRANGEMENTS BY JAMES A. DYAL FUNERAL HOME, 303 SOUTH MAIN STREET, SUMMERVILLE, SC 29483 (843)873-4040.

Cemetery Details

Christ St. Paul's Church Cemetery

4981 Chapel Road
Yonges Island, SC 29449

Previous Events

Service

DEC 30. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
4255 SC-165
Hollywood, SC 29449

Tribute Wall



“ *John Joseph Keating*

September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *Dear Pat, I am so saddened to hear that John passed, I just found out today. I really loved him and have fond memories of visiting and playing with my cousins, such a good time I enjoyed! My heart and prayers for you and family, I'll call you, got your number from a friend of yours I met! Till we talk, know you are in my heart!!!*

Kay Morris - January 05, 2018 at 12:20 AM

JR

“ Dear Aunt Pat, Michael, Karen, Joel, Erin, Eric, Chris, Kate, Skip, Angela & Family,

My heartfelt sympathy on the loss of our beloved Uncle John. I am sorry that I will not be able to be present in person to join in the celebration of his life, but please know that all of you will be in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless Uncle John! He was one in a million and he has certainly left his imprint on all of the hearts that he touched. His deep abiding love and care for his family, as well as his steadfast faith that sustained him through the sadness of Katie's passing was an example to all of us. I don't think there is one among us, that doesn't light up with a smile when we think about our Uncle John! Born a Northern Boy in Secaucus, NJ, he often talked about his Southern Bride, Pat on his trips to see the Keating Clan in NJ every summer. He shared his pride and joy in the gifts of his son, Michael and daughters, Karen and Katie. We can never reflect on memories of Uncle John without remembering the special love he had for all of you. Every time we hear any mention of anything Pooh - Karen we immediately think of you. How comforted he must have been in the final months of his life, having you staying with him and Aunt Pat overseeing his daily care with Hospice.

As the family expanded with Joel, Erin, Eric, Skip, Christine, Katie and Angela coming into the fold, Uncle John warmly embraced the blessing of being Papa John. The joy in his face and the love in his eyes when he reflected on the presence of all of you in his life — was certainly a blessing.

We are all grieving his passing, yet we are celebrating the gift of him among us for his 91 years! As he joins his parents, his beloved, Katie and all of his siblings in Heaven, we know that a wonderful loving reunion is underway.

As we go forward, we hold in our hearts, the gift of Uncle John in our life. He was a blessing to all of us and the memories of his love, wisdom, faith, sense of family and sense of humor will sustain us.

God Bless You Uncle John & May The Angels Safely Lead You To Paradise!

Jacqueline Rose - December 30, 2017 at 01:33 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Joseph Keating.*



December 28, 2017 at 03:17 PM



“ *Our condolences to Aunt Pat, Michael, and Karen Sorry to learn of the passing of Uncle Johnnie We will never forget the support and strength he gave us as he stayed with us when our father passed We loved when he came to visit and were blessed with his company Rest in peace Uncle Johnnie*

John Keating McCormick - December 27, 2017 at 09:14 PM



“ *Karen, we send our love and sympathy to you, Ms. Pat, and your entire family in the loss of your dear father. He was a giant of a man and we were blessed to have known him. We are saddened for your loss but grateful for his 91 years of life. Unfortunately, we will not be able to attend the service but you will be in our hearts. Hope you and your mother can get some much needed rest. With love, Lesa, Rick, and all the Fosters*



Lesa Foster - December 27, 2017 at 04:14 PM



“ So sorry to hear of big "Uncle" John's passing. He leaves me with fond memories of my South Carolina roots and extended family, with thoughts of Adam's Run and Edisto visits. May he rest in peace and God have mercy on his soul, and bless his family.

Richard Hinely - December 27, 2017 at 01:23 PM

LB

“ Papa John was a wonderful person & I am so glad I got to know him & his wife, "Ms Pat" He was a trooper and fought to the very end.



Linda Baxley - December 27, 2017 at 08:57 AM

TV

so sorry for your loss

Toni and Rick VandeVoren - December 27, 2017 at 12:17 PM

JT

My thoughts and prayers are with your family. May the memories you have help you through the coming days.

Joan Taylor - December 28, 2017 at 10:31 AM