



## John Barry Sherrod

June 14, 1942 - December 21, 2020

John Barry Sherrod was born on June 14, 1942. He graduated from Cherokee High School and was a Letter Carrier for Tuscumbia Post Office. John was a faithful member of Tuscumbia Church of Christ. His love for Christ showed in his kindness to all those who came in contact with him. He was the epitome of one who “never met a stranger”. John was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and US AL ARNG, 115th Signal Battalion, with a total of “38 years of Faithful and Loyal Service to His State and Nation.” He was a member of the American Legion Post 31. He had a strong passion and respect for God, country, and family.

John lived life to the fullest. His lifelong dream was to build a “shack” on Hawk Pride Mountain, which he accomplished many years ago. Many memories were made there with family gatherings, fishing, bonfires, and enjoying nature. He’d welcome friends over to The Shack and cook them a great breakfast. He taught all the kids and grandkids to fish and make the best smores with just the right toastiness to the marshmallow (although some may have gotten burned). He shared an avid enjoyment for cheering on the Crimson Tide on Saturdays with his daughters, Rebecca and Tori (unless it was against Auburn), and his son Tet. Others were always welcome to join.

John’s token of love for Emily was frogs. We would be four-wheeling or hiking and, if he saw a frog, he would have to stop to get it for Emily to put in her pond at home because she loved the sounds they made. He raised all his children to love and respect God and for that they are all very blessed to have had his Christian leadership in their life. The family has been very blessed by all the wonderful memories and the love he gave to each and every one.

John never missed an opportunity to make a joke and make someone feel special. He dearly loved his brothers, George and Jerry. He and his brother Jerry were quite inseparable. Although they would argue and grumble on and on, they shared so much enjoyment with their cows, chickens, and goats, bailing hay, and so many more activities. Lots of grumbling, but deep down they loved it and each other’s company.

In the month of July, John had triple bypass surgery and colon cancer re-section surgery. He came through both surgeries beautifully. All the cancer (Stage IIA) was removed. Two months later he was advised, just for good measure, to take some chemotherapy. Due to complications from that chemotherapy, he was admitted into the hospital on October 1, 2020. God took him on Monday, December 21, 2020.

John was a wonderful son, brother, friend, husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He was predeceased by his parents, Herbert and Lois Richardson Sherrod; in-laws, Walter and Pat Gatlin Monroe; and sister-in-law, Juanita Williams Sherrod.

Left with wonderful memories are his wife of over forty-five years, Emily Monroe Sherrod; children, Edgar Bryan "Trae" Miller, III (Bobbie Sue), Jennifer Bliss Miller, Rebecca Sherrod Richmond, Victoria Ann "Tori" Miller, and Edgar Bryan "Tet" Miller, IV (Emily); grandchildren, Joshua Shane Gargis, Sydney Richmond James (Dakota), Alexandra Monroe "Allie" Overby, Rachel Leigh Richmond, and Ethan Thomas Monroe Miller; great-grandchildren, Drake Lucas Casey, and soon, Cypress Blair Casey; brothers, Jerry Larkin Sherrod, and George Lynn Sherrod; in-laws, Walter Edward "Eddy" Monroe (Barbara); nephews, Blake Williams Sherrod (Cheryl), Bryan Larkin Sherrod (Kim), and Steven Edward Monroe (Amanda); niece, Rebecca Monroe Sandy (Will); and, of course, Darby, his beloved dog.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Tuscumbia Church of Christ, 102 East Fourth Street, Tuscumbia, AL, 35674; the American Heart Association, 10 Glenlake Pkwy, NE South Tower, Suite 400, Atlanta, GA, 30328; or Colorectal Cancer Alliance, 1025 Vermont Avenue NW, 10th Floor, Washington, DC, 20005.

A family service will be held at a later date.

# Comments

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“ I had the Wonderful opportunity to visit John at his shack on hawk pride mountain. In the years I knew him I always found him to be kind and gentle.If nothing else we could always talk about cattle!!

Michael Yordy, MD

Michael Yordy - January 17 at 07:23 PM

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“ My sincere condolences to John’s family. John was always friendly and helpful to me. I really appreciated knowing him.

Maurice Haygood Minor

Maurice Minor - January 17 at 04:12 PM

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“ Miss my buddy John.



Mildred Richardson - January 01 at 01:24 PM

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“ Cathy Laws lit a candle in memory of John Barry Sherrod



Cathy Laws - December 26, 2020 at 06:13 PM

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Larry Flowers

I WORKED WITH JOHN FROM 1973 TO 1976 AT THE TUSCUMBIA POST OFFICE.I HAVE SOME GOOD MEMORIES OF JOHN.WE HAD A LOT OF FUN.I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR THE NEWS.HE WAS A GREAT PERSON.

LARRY FLOWERS - December 25, 2020 at 12:58 PM

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I am so sorry to hear of John's passing from this life. I'm very thankful John was a Christian and had the hope, forgiveness and salvation that comes thru Christ our Lord. I knew John thru our times together in the Naval Reserve. He was a great guy and was always light-hearted and likeable. I knew Trae also thru church. Trae hung out with several of our college students at church and I always thought highly of Trae. My deepest sympathy to Emily and all the family. God bless you all.

CHARLES FREDERICK - December 25, 2020 at 07:47 AM

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I first started work at the Tuscumbia Post Office as a letter carrier in 1986. He always helped when I had a question and a solution for an issue. John always had a smile, and I remember “calf rope” on heavy mail days. John was a well respected, kind Christian man and coworker. I know he loved his family in the few years I knew him. One morning on break he bought an extra sausage biscuit but not an ordinary one, for me, the new girl.... said I'd order it that way from then on. And I still do....A Sausage biscuit with egg, cheese, tomato and mayonnaise. Thank you John, for the kindness, good advice and help during my first years walking and riding all those routes. May God bless your family, he spoke of you daily the few years I worked with him and he will be dearly missed. Rest in peace.... A life well lived.

Lisa Thorne - December 25, 2020 at 06:30 AM

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Oh how John will be missed by so many. We would run into him often while shopping and always got a big hug from him. He always came by the store whenever he was going or coming from the mountain and him and daddy would get caught up on what was happening on the mountain. Our prayers and thoughts are with the family.

Elizabeth Richardson Potts - December 24, 2020 at 09:31 AM

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“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Barry Sherrod.



December 24, 2020 at 09:31 AM

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“ Rip John you were a sailor and soldier thank you for your service John was one of a kind and a good friend we always shared our birthdays John you will be missed fly high now Brother Prayers for the family

**joe lyles** - December 23, 2020 at 08:30 PM

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“ Our Country has lost a true patriot who served with distinction for many years. He was a good citizen, a good friend and a better Husband, Father, Brother and Christian. John was loved and respected by all who knew him.

**Jack & Rebecca Underwood** - December 23, 2020 at 06:06 PM

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“ John always had a cheerful word for everyone and the most beautiful smile. I loved his sense of humor. He was an awesome friend. He will be greatly missed.

**Charles DeVaney** - December 23, 2020 at 05:36 PM

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“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



**Rebecca** - December 23, 2020 at 05:02 PM

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Jennifer - December 23, 2020 at 03:03 PM

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“ John was a funny funny man. One of my earliest and favorite memories at the post office was when we were having a heavy day he would always holler " calf rope"!!! To this day, the very few of us left that remember that do the same thing. So John has always still been a part of the p.o. even after all these years !!! He always brought a smile to me !!

Kim Posey - December 23, 2020 at 02:20 PM

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“ 38 files added to the album Memories Album



Morrison Funeral Homes - December 23, 2020 at 01:54 PM