



## John C. Stefan

November 26, 1953 - October 19, 2021

Hampton – John Charles Stefan, 67, of Hampton, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 with loving family at his bedside. John was born in Methuen, MA on November 26, 1953, a son of the Late Edward C. and Marie J. (Garvey) Stefan.

The Stefan family moved to Hampton when John was very young. He graduated from Winnacunnet High School in 1972 and went to work for Katz Carpets of Rye shortly after graduation. He was with Katz for over 20 years and then went to work as a maintenance man at Abeniqui Country Club in Rye for over 15 years.

John was hilarious, entertaining and loved to make people laugh. He was a hard-working man who enjoyed being outdoors, surfing at Plaice Cove and spending time with his grandchildren. He also like watching football on Sunday afternoons and going to his grandson's Little Warrior football games. One of his favorite times, and one he loved to reminisce about, was when he and his good friend, John Whelan, rode their Harley's on a cross-country trip. They kept a journal and took many pictures during trip and eventually published their adventures in a book.

Family members include his son, Jeremie Stefan and his wife, Leora of Hampton, his daughter, Acacia "Kish" Stewart and her husband, Ricky of

Berwick, ME and his grandchildren, Degan and Bryce Stefan, Kelvin Boyer, Josiah Stewart and Jasmine King and her husband, Zach. He also leaves his brother, Jimmy Stefan and his wife, Heidi of West Palm Beach, FL, his sister, Deborah Fernandez and her husband, John of Raymond and his 4 nephews.

Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society (<https://www.cancer.org>)

# Tribute Wall



“ *John C. Stefan*

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September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *All who remember John at Abenaqui will miss him especially as the holidays arrive and “ our Christmas light guy” is no longer with us. Sincere condolences to the extended family. Rest In Peace Johnny...*

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**John Bottomley** - November 24, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ *I will never forget his laugh, and the good times riding Hondas on the railroad tracks, parties around the campfire, plenty of wine and good times. Love you John. Vicki Connors.*

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**Vicki Felix** - November 09, 2021 at 03:06 PM

BF

“ I didn't think that fearless somebitch could die. I remember him doing a wheelie down the street on a fully chopped Honda, long forks sticking way up horizontal to the road. Or blasting around in that convertible Firebird evading the cops. Great taste in vehicles at a young age, that car would be worth a mint now. He could be nuts sometimes, always with a grin and the life of the party.

Stef came out to Orcas Island, part way on the Harley with Johnnie Whelan and stayed a while. He moved to California, somewhere around Monterey another time, got a job in a bar and whipped the place into shape. He had a special dish he created that the customers clamored for. He came to San Diego another time to help me on a big job but broke his leg when we were in a cave in the desert, one trip that wasn't so fun. Still, he'd hobble around doing chores while I was at work and help on my motorcycles.

We used to go clamming and he had a classic old clam fork he was proud of. We spent a winter unloading salt in Portsmouth, running a D-4 down in the ship's hold moving salt out of the corners until the Cat would throw a track, and the challenge of getting it back on. And days up on the mountain of salt sewing huge canvas tarps together with a portable sewing machine and wearing every piece of clothing we owned with the freezing wind blowing off the Atlantic. The needle would often break and we'd take turns having to take our gloves off to replace it. He usually had a laugh to ease the discomfort.

Stef's last text to me was "not going to make it. Could write a book", No shit!, I wish he had. What good friend, with many good friends. I'll miss him.

Bob Felter

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Bob Felter - November 06, 2021 at 11:26 AM

HL

“Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside in a cloud of smoke, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming "Wow! What a Ride!"  
Rest in peace my friend... Luv ya!



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**Helen Lalime** - November 05, 2021 at 06:06 PM

MD

“ So many good times back in the day you will be missed for sure stef

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**Mike dignam** - October 28, 2021 at 01:25 PM

ML

“ John was an old friend who will be missed by so many who knew and loved him. John was a real individual who was true to himself. A good friend who would stand up for what was right no matter the costs. John will especially be remembered for his wit. John was clever and quick on his feet. He could command any situation with his humor. He was a good man, an enthusiast, a good-natured person who found humor in every day absurdities including his own death. "I am dying, thanks for your support, see you in the afterlife... love you guys..." We will miss you Johnny.

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**Mary Lalime** - October 21, 2021 at 11:02 PM

JC

“ You will be missed by all, the family parties will not be the same without you physically but I know where you will be spiritually. You are in our hearts forever.

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**Jan and Corey** - October 21, 2021 at 11:02 PM

 Joe Poirier

“ John was good guy. Thoughts and Prayers to His family. I'm sure there is a heck of Party in Heaven. Godspeed John.

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**Joe Poirier** - October 21, 2021 at 10:37 PM

BD

“ Going to miss John. John was one who always made you feel welcome. I thank him for intruding me to the the Blues which I still love today. Many great memories of John and his harmonica singing some blues and having a laugh around a camp fire. I always considered John family.  
Bill Dignam

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**Bill Dignam** - October 21, 2021 at 05:57 PM

EM

“ I haven't seen John in a long time . I will always remember him as a kind hearted , generous , and fun person to be around . My heart goes out to his family and friends . Ed Mueller

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**Ed Mueller** - October 21, 2021 at 03:05 PM

GD

“ John was a good friend of mine in high school and years after and was a member of mine and Jack’s wedding party.....he was always a good friend even though we didn’t see him much recently but so many great memories when we were younger,,,,,my sympathy to his family and all who had the privilege of knowing him, he will be missed.

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**Gloria Dion** - October 21, 2021 at 12:05 AM

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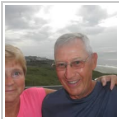
“ Sorry to hear of your passing John. We had some good times over the years! Rest in peace.

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**Ed Keiling** - October 20, 2021 at 08:31 PM



“ RIP John your smile will live on forever.  
Condolences to all your family at this trying time.

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**Deb Kiernan** - October 20, 2021 at 03:18 PM



Wow, i remember riding motorcycles down some road somewhere and passing beers back and forth. Miss ya John, even though I hadn't seen you in years.

Vern Groves

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**Vern Groves** - January 09, 2022 at 09:36 AM