



## John R. Killian

December 27, 2015

John R. Killian, age 72, of Newark, DE, passed away suddenly on Sunday, December 27, 2015.

Born in Queens, New York on June 3, 1943, John was a son of the late Fritz and Angela (Klee) Killian. He proudly served his country as a member of the U.S. Army. John made his career as a traffic manager with R. Markey and Sons and retired after many years of dedicated service.

Proud of his German heritage, he was a longtime member of the New York Gemuetlichen Enzianer German Club. John enjoyed playing cards in his leisure time, especially his favorite game, Sevens. Above all else, he loved and adored his wife, daughter and his two beautiful granddaughters, whom he cherished. John will be dearly missed by all.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Christine B. (Mueller) Killian; daughter, Michelle Passwaters and husband Jim of Bear, DE; brother, Richard Killian and wife Terry of Long Island, NY; granddaughters, Kendall and Kelsey Passwaters; and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held at 12:30 pm on Thursday afternoon, January 7, 2016, at the Spicer-Mullikin Funeral Home, 1000 N. DuPont Parkway, New Castle, DE, where a visitation for family and friends will be held from 11:30 am until 12:30 pm. Interment with military honors will follow in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 2465 Chesapeake City Road, Bear, DE.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in John's memory may be made to Friends of Karen, 21 Perry St., Port Jefferson, NY 11777 or by visiting [www.friendsofkare](http://www.friendsofkare)

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# Tribute Wall

**MP** “ *Michelle:*

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**Martha Patridge** - January 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

**JS** “ *Know that we are thinking of you at this difficult time....*

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**Jo Ann Skidmore** - January 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

**JD** “ *Dear Christine:*  
*We don't have the words to express fully our sorrow in John's passing. It was clear how much he loved his family when he talked, and most especially your granddaughters. He made playing Sevens a fun evening at the Clubhouse. We all at VOLC will miss him. I hope your many, many good memories will give you comfort and peace during this time of sorrow.*

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**Jim and Judy Davis** - January 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

**DS** “ *Dear Christine,*

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**Dennis and Joann Sabato** - January 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

**RK** “ *Dear Michelle and Family,*

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**Reinhold and Hermine Kuska** - January 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts.

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**Keith and Vicki Farmer** - January 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ Dear Michelle, your Mom knows my sentiments via email. At the time I did not think to add my condolences to you and your daughters – especial Kendal who my husband and I got to know and love. You know my niece, Alison Tanchyk. My family and I send our sincere condolences to you for the loss of your Dad and to your daughters for the loss of their Pop-Pop. I had the pleasure of meeting your husband on his first day at Bank of America and I am glad you have such a nice person in your life who will be there for you to support you through this awful time. We think death is an end but now the beginning is that your Mom will be alone and you will find yourself more a part of your mother's life. I sincerely send you my best wishes and give my love to your mother – I will get over there soon. I am still traveling for work which limits my time but I will see her soon.

Sincerely,  
Kathy Karthaeuser

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**Kathy Karthaeuser** - January 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ Dear Christine and Family,

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**Barbara** - January 02, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ We know John's spirit will continue to be with you and your family, and it will give you strength as time goes on. Take comfort in knowing that his love for all of you never ends.

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**Bob and Josephine Paskevicius** - January 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *Christine and family,*

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**Mary Legreid** - January 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Christine. May you and your family know that my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time,*

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**Don Doto** - January 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Our deepest sympathy to the whole family. He will be missed dearly from all of us. We will miss John.....*

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**Carol and Donnie** - December 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *Christine, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Although there are no words that can lessen your pain at this time I hope it brings you some comfort to know that you have good friends in VOLC who care and will help you in any way we can. Cindy Lewis*

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**Cindy Lewis** - December 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *Christine and family,  
You are very much in the thoughts and prayers of your London Drive family  
Our children all grew up together and we will always cherish our holiday parties  
John will always be in our hearts and wonderful memories*

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**Rocco and Carmella Briscese** - December 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ To the whole Killian Family, John adored you in life as surely as he will be lovingly remembered in his new home in heaven. I know how much he will be missed especially by Christine , Michelle ,Jim and his two sweethearts he always could be seen with in the Village of Long Creek. We will miss you John. Love Maria and Lenny Tricarico.

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**Maria and Lenny Tricarico** - December 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Christine, Michelle, Jim, Kendall and Kelsey you all have our deepest sympathy for having to say goodbye to John far too soon. No words can lessen the pain your hearts are feeling at this time, but Joe and I hope that all the good times and the good memories will over time ease that pain and bring you comfort. He will be missed by all who knew him here in the Village. We can picture him at a grand heavenly table teaching everyone how to play Sevens and making sure they pay attention and follow the rules. You are all in our prayers for peace and comfort.

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**Joe and Barbara Doto** - December 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Our deepest condolences to the entire Killian family. John will be sorely missed by all who knew him. May his memory be a blessing.

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**Sharon and Bob Dickol** - December 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ We are so sorry for your loss. John was a great man who raised a great family. We love you all.  
The Romeos

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**Caroline Romeo** - December 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ My fondest memories of John are from London Dr. when we all gathered together at one of the neighbors homes. New Years Eve at the Killians was always such a fun time. Christine and Michelle, my heart goes out to you, believe me I know. Be strong and your memories will help you through this terrible time.

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**Lorraine Mercandetti** - December 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM