



John N. "Johnnyboy" Midgette Jr.

April 3, 2020

John N. Midgette Jr. (Johnnyboy), age 87, of New Castle, DE, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, April 3, 2020. Johnnyboy was born and raised on Ocracoke Island, NC by his parents John and Mattie. After serving in the Army during the Korean War, he worked for the Army Corps of Engineers, retiring as captain of the tugboat the "Pilot." He enjoyed being with his grandchildren, laughing at their knock-knock jokes as if it was the funniest thing he had ever heard. He also enjoyed spending time at Dunkin Donuts with his coffee buddies. If the mark of a successful life is the degree of sorrow felt by those left behind, then John was exceedingly successful.

John was a loving husband, devoted father, beloved grandfather, and great grandfather who loved his family deeply. He will be greatly missed by his wife of 59 years, Delva; his children: Teresa and her husband, Jeffrey, David and his wife Katya, and Mary-Migdalia; grandchildren: Ryan (Vanessa), Casey (Dean), Haley, Nika, Anthony, and Dominique; great-grandchildren: Kaylee, Hudson, John Theodore (JT), Colt, and Taya; sisters, Geneva and Joyce; and his sisters-in-law, Bobbi Jean, Donna and Marilyn. He was predeceased by his sister, Janet; brothers: Ellis, Jesse, Elmer and Carnelle; and brother-in-law, Richard Cleveland.

Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Delaware Hospice, 16 Polly Drummond Center, 2nd Floor, Newark, Delaware or St.

Anthony's City Fare Meals on Wheels, 1703 W.10th St., Wilmington, DE
19805. To send an online condolence visit www.stranofeeley.com

Cemetery Details

Private

Tribute Wall

JT

“ Pop was the best. Nothing better than sitting on his porch with him and Richie, and listening to them argue. He so loved his family! A simple man who loved Jesus and was all about family. Especially his grand and great grand kids who he idolized. John was a proud man who never wanted to bother you if he needed something. I love him dearly and will miss him every day. Rest in Heaven John we will take care of mom as you wanted. Love you!

Jeff Thomas - April 07, 2020 at 04:01 PM

RC

“ We are so very sorry for your loss...He always had a big smile ... And so very kind ❤️Rick & Reba & family!!

reba cleveland - April 07, 2020 at 12:35 AM

JC

“ Uncle Johnny was a gentle, kind, loving man. I will forever remember his gentle nature and his love for his family. I can see him now....during summer visits to Ocracoke he would sit on Granny's front porch , rocking rhythmically in the rocker as the kids ran and played. We could always count on him for a sweet smile or a soft chuckle.
You will be missed, Uncle Johnny. Our loss is heavens gain.

Joy Crawford - April 06, 2020 at 04:06 PM

KH

Prayers for the family. So sorry for your loss. Much love
Krista

Krista (Carney) Havens - April 06, 2020 at 11:57 PM

AM

So sorry for your loss Teresa and Jeff. Love you guys, Joe and Amy Minotti

Amy Minotti - April 10, 2020 at 11:13 AM

CM

He will be missed. He was very gentle-natured and kind.

Carla F Midgette - April 10, 2020 at 05:37 PM



We are so sorry for your loss. John was a good and kind neighbor. Our daughter was always welcome when she wanted to play with his granddaughter Nika. We enjoyed chatting with him about his family and the neighborhood. ~The Principe Family

Tracie Principe - April 13, 2020 at 08:04 PM

DW

Just found out today, May 3rd of my dear John boys passing. Always enjoyed talking across our fence or sitting on the porch enjoying the breeze. John was such a good husband, father and pop pop. Him and my husband Mel telling stories while you tried to figure out who was tell the truth:) So very sorry for your loss Delva and family. You all are more like family and visits will not be the same. Soon we will all be together. Hope John and my Mel will behave in heaven till we get there. It truly is heavens gain! What a wonderful man he was!!!

Debbie Wills - May 03, 2020 at 02:53 PM