



## John Edward Reilly Jr.

December 5, 1962 - April 16, 2023

John Edward Reilly, Jr. (known to many as Johnny-Moose), age 60 of Newark, DE, passed away peacefully with his loved ones by his side on April 16, 2023. John graduated from Penns Grove High School in 1981. He was class president and homecoming king, roles that fit him well! John graduated from Rutgers University with his Bachelor of Arts, in 1987. He was a proud brother of the Theta Chi Fraternity.

He worked for Tigor Title Insurance Company as a Title Researcher for many years before finding his true passion in a career at bartending where for the next 25 years, he would make an impact on many lives. John touched all of us with his heartfelt advice, witty personality and superb sense of humor. You could not resist John's award-winning smile which shone bright even through his illness. Johnny loved us all so much that he chose to pursue treatment for one and a half years so his family and friends could have more time with him, that's the loving and caring person he was. John was very proud of his work in recovery through the years. He was also a very loving cat daddy to many cats over time.

John is going to be deeply missed by everyone. He was the world's greatest son, brother, uncle, great uncle, nephew, cousin and friend. John is survived by his mom, Frances J. Reilly; dad, John E. Reilly, Sr.; sister Nadine M. Reilly; niece, Jennifer F. Tressler; nephew, George J. Tressler (Chelsea); great-niece,

Chloe N. Tressler; two great-nephews, George J. Tressler and Gavin J. Tressler, and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

A visitation will be held Sunday, May 21, 2023, from 3-6 PM at Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home, 635 Churchmans Rd., Newark, DE 19702 followed by a service in celebration of John's life at 6 PM. Burial will be private. For directions or to send an online condolence visit [www.stranofeeley.com](http://www.stranofeeley.com)

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**MAY 21.** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home  
635 Churchmans Rd  
Newark, DE 19702  
(302) 731-5459  
info@stranofeeley.com

### Service

**MAY 21.** 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Edward Reilly Jr..*



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May 15, 2023 at 02:12 PM



“ *We grew up together thur Penns Grove School District We are “Class of 1981” as a Class we All Loved each other from Little Children to Grown Adults our Love never changed and never will Rest Easy My Friend My School Husband continue to watch over us All ❤️*

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**Zena Mincey Moore** - April 25, 2023 at 08:33 PM



“ *I met John briefly through the Stonewall Billiards league in Philly in fall of 2019. He was on the opposing team, but was so friendly and really lit up the table and both teams. He reached out to me immediately, and made me feel welcome in Stonewall (I was new to the league). The pandemic then came through, and I did not get to see him again. However, we became friends on facebook. John was truly an uplifting person. He will be missed.*

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**Kevin Keenan** - April 25, 2023 at 07:20 AM

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“ I will always remember John's kindness. I was a classmate of his from 4th grade to 10th. He always chose the kind word or deed, even when clowning around. He even advocated for me to be an honorary alum of PGHS, Class of '81. My deepest sympathy and condolences to his family, loved ones and friends. May your memories ease your pain. Dorann Hrbek Loehr

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**Dorann Hrbek Loehr** - April 25, 2023 at 02:39 AM

JB

“ Sorry for your loss of Johnny

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**June Davis Boos** - April 24, 2023 at 10:58 PM

VZ

“ Coming into Theta Chi Fraternity in 1985 one of the older brothers was John Reilly. One of the kindest, most fun brothers I ever met. Although we did not see each other much past graduation I followed his life with great enthusiasm on Facebook. His zest for life came through just in photos on FB. I am very sad about his passing and my prayers are with all of the people who were really closest to him and his family. Godspeed! Brothers for life!

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**Vinny Zizzo** - April 24, 2023 at 07:06 PM