

John J. Lapotasky Jr.

September 24, 1937 - January 4, 2016

John J. Lapotasky, Jr., 78 passed away January 4, 2016 at Carolina East Medical Center in New Bern, NC with his entire loving family by his side. He was born in Somerville, NJ on September 24, 1937 the son of the late John and Mary Lapotasky. Mr. Lapotasky was a resident of Manville, NJ for most of his life before moving to New Bern, NC in 2002. He served his Country Honorably in the United States Navy from 1955 to 1958 on the USS Iowa as BT Second Class and he also served on the USS Hissem. Mr. Lapotasky dedicated his life to protecting and serving the public for the Manville Police Department for over 25 years, the Somerset County Sheriffs Office for 7 years and most recently in New Bern, NC he worked for Craven Regional Airport serving on both fire service and security until his present employment with US Security Associates. He was a member, Captain and past President of Manville Fire Company #2 where he served for over 25 years and was currently an exempt fireman with that fire department. Mr. Lapotasky was most recently a member of the Tri-Community Volunteer Fire Company in Fairfield Harbour, NC. He was a member of the American Legion, the Elks and the Freemasons. Mr. Lapotasky had a major love of fishing and would do so whenever possible. He also enjoyed fly tying, golfing and bowling. He was predeceased by his son, Jay Lapotasky. He is survived by his beloved wife of 38 years, Barbara Lapotasky (Carroll), his children: Karen and Alan Ash of Flemington, NJ, Tom and Jane Connell of Martinsville, NJ, Sandy Connell and Steve Ellis of New Providence, NJ, Barbie and Damien Bauman of Middlesex,

NJ and Michael and Leslie Lapotasky of Bridgewater, NJ and by his sister Barbara Otrimski and her husband Walter of Manville, NJ. He is also survived by 8 grandchildren: CJ and his wife Larissa Matisak, Brandon Matisak, Tom and Tyler Connell, Dylan Bauman, and Haiden and Avery Lapotasky. The viewing will be on Friday January 8, 2016 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 PM at the Ketusky Funeral Home, 1310 Brooks Blvd., Manville, NJ. (908)575-8512. The Funeral will be on Saturday January 9, 2016 9:30 AM at the Ketusky Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Hillsborough, NJ. For additional information please visit our website at www.ketusky.com.

Cemetery Details

Sacred Heart Cemetery

1096 Millstone River Road
Hillsborough, NJ

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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1310 Brooks Blvd - PO Box 747
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Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..*



January 08, 2016 at 12:37 PM



“ *I worked with John at Moen here in New Bern for four years. He was a great friend. He LOVED his family and his grandchildren. We spent a lot of time looking at images on his phone of all of his children and grandchildren. When we weren't talking and sharing stories about family, we were discussing the Steelers and the Patriots (I'm a huge Patriots fan). Boy did he have a lot to say about that! He made me smile and he made me laugh and he also brought me his homemade pastries. I genuinely loved him like family. He will be greatly missed. Thoughts and prayers to all of you. Christy Rollins, New Bern, NC*

Christy Rollins - January 08, 2016 at 10:34 AM



To the family of john lapotasky I work in newbern I just bought a golf bag and clubs that belong to him when I looked up his name. Saw he had passed away did not feel right keeping them so I would love to get them back to the family at no charge. Please cvall me if u get this @ 2524124981 my name is Bernie if anyone sees this and knows the family please let them know

Bernie cayton - June 14, 2017 at 04:39 PM

PP

“ Peter, Barbara, Ari, Vasia, and Peggy purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..



Peter, Barbara, Ari, Vasia, and Peggy - January 07, 2016 at 05:56 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..



January 07, 2016 at 03:21 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..



January 07, 2016 at 12:16 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..



January 07, 2016 at 06:45 AM

LW

“ Love, Scott and Gina West purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..



Love, Scott and Gina West - January 06, 2016 at 07:34 PM



“ Strength and Wisdom Casket Spray was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..



January 06, 2016 at 06:13 PM

WP

“ Workday Financials Practice purchased the Vivid Recollections for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..



Workday Financials Practice - January 06, 2016 at 03:52 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..



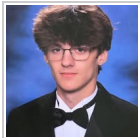
January 06, 2016 at 03:42 PM



“ *Training Academy Instructors purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..*



Training Academy Instructors - January 06, 2016 at 03:26 PM



“ *Thank-You for everything you did for our community of Manville. And for serving in our US Military. Condolences to all the family, friend's and brother's in blue. You have your Angel wing's Fly high and guide all that you loved.
Rest In Peace Officer Lapotaski Jr..*



Alysia Salter - January 06, 2016 at 03:06 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..*



January 06, 2016 at 01:59 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..*



January 06, 2016 at 12:46 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..*



January 06, 2016 at 09:32 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..*



January 06, 2016 at 01:52 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..*



January 05, 2016 at 08:57 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..*



January 05, 2016 at 08:48 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of John J. Lapotasky Jr..*



January 05, 2016 at 07:50 PM



“ *I will always remember John, He was great police officer and a good friend friend.*



Terry & John Andreychak - January 05, 2016 at 07:20 PM



“ *Our condolences Bobbi to you and your family. May John rest in peace.*
Karen and Gregg Macaulay

Karen Macaulay - January 05, 2016 at 05:35 PM



“ *I have so many memories of your father as a police officer, MYAL, and a great father. My thought and prayers are with your family in this time of need. Rip Mr. Lapotasky*

Sarah Casey - January 05, 2016 at 05:15 PM



“ Sarah Casey lit a candle in memory of John J. Lapotasky Jr.



Sarah Casey - January 05, 2016 at 05:12 PM



“ Julie (DiPane) Botsko lit a candle in memory of John J. Lapotasky Jr.



Julie (DiPane) Botsko - January 05, 2016 at 05:01 PM



“ It was an honor to work with you Lapo. Rest in Peace my friend.

Scott Lessig - January 05, 2016 at 03:49 PM



“ Barbie, I remember when your dad was a police officer, he always looked out for me. It was very nice of him, i'll never forget that! R.I.P. John, say hello to my dad!

Christopher Orzolek - January 05, 2016 at 03:46 PM

MK

“ Our deepest sympathy for your whole family on your loss.



Mike and Deb and Michael Knitowski - January 05, 2016 at 03:08 PM

DN

“ I know I speak for my entire family when I say you are all in our thoughts and prayers. We all grew up together in Little Weston and remember Mr. Lapotasky well. Our parents kept in contact for a few years after we moved to Maryland. Mr. Lapotasky now joins my dad in heaven. May he rest in peace.

Denise Nothey - January 05, 2016 at 02:08 PM

DN

“ Denise Nothey lit a candle in memory of John J. Lapotasky Jr.



Denise Nothey - January 05, 2016 at 02:05 PM

CO

“ Grew up next door to the family... nice man.. prayers for family



Cookie - January 05, 2016 at 10:47 AM

SP

“ On behalf of the Somerset County Sheriff's Office I would like to express our sincere condolences on your loss. Not only was John a friend, but he was a mentor when I was elected Sheriff. Rest in Peace my friend.

Frank J. Provenzano
Sheriff, Somerset County

Sheriff Frank J. Provenzano - January 05, 2016 at 10:46 AM