



John Carroll Haury

August 24, 1948 - May 16, 2015

John Carroll Haury, 66, of Bedford and Bloomington, died in Bloomington on Saturday, May 16, shortly after playing tennis with friends. He received prompt medical attention but was unable to be revived.

John Haury was an attorney in Bedford, Indiana for forty years. He practiced law in eight firms bearing his name, most recently (since 2009), at Haury Law Office.

John graduated from Shortridge High School in Indianapolis, in 1966. He received his B.A. from Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut, in 1970, and his J. D. (cum laude) from Indiana University, Bloomington, in 1975.

John began his legal career in Bedford in 1975 as Lawrence County Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, and as attorney at Robbins and Haury. He served as chief deputy until 1978.

John Haury was appointed Chief Public Defender of Lawrence County on March 23, 2015.

John received bar admissions from the State of Indiana, and U. S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana, both in 1975. He held certification as Indiana Civil and Family Law Mediator from 2003 to the present.

John Haury was Past President and Secretary of the Lawrence County Bar Association, and member of the Indiana State Bar Association.

For more than twenty-five years, John was a Lawrence County Public Defender and an attorney for the Lawrence County Department of Child Services. He served on the board of directors of Legal Services Organization of Indiana, Bloomington Hospital Foundation, and Center for Behavioral Health.

John was former president of Bedford Rotary Club, and member of the board of directors of Leukemia Society of Indiana, and member of Lawrence County Sheriff's Merit Board.

As attorney, public servant, and advisor of family and friends, John Haury was both advocate and adversary. He listened to positions he did not hold as carefully and critically as he argued for positions he did hold. Whether as advocate or adversary, he sought truth and justice.

John is survived by his wife Lee Ann, and children Amanda Haury of Baltimore, Maryland, Jonas Haury (Aubrey) of Indianapolis, and Sam Haury (Emily) of Boulder,

Colorado. Jan Atkins was his longtime friend and office manager.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Bloomington Hospital Foundation, or a charity of the donor's choice.

Funeral services will be held at 4pm on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at Allen Funeral Home, 4155 S. Old State Road 37 with Ret. Rev. David Owen officiating. The family will receive friends from 3-4pm Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will take place on Thursday at 2pm in Cave Hill Cemetery in Louisville, KY.

Tribute Wall

BF

“ Oh Mr. Haury, where do I even start? I always enjoyed hearing your stories about going down to Louisville and the night life, the lights, and big time status you had, my mother always said you had a special WINK, and to watch you 🥹 I spoke to her recently, and decided to open a Family Probono Law firm, she n honor of you, and all the work you'd done, not only the n Indiana, but surrounding states, hopefully you'll be proud of the achievements, I've managed to put under my belt, knowing you was always there, in spirit. When I signed up for law school, I had my mom and you in mind as to what kind of lawyer I wanted to be, and the help that I wanted to create for families. It took me a while to get where I am, but it was more than worth it, and I wouldn't change a thing. I want to say THANK YOU, for the guidance you provided from me, and will always remember you, and only wish you was here to see what you helped not only Indiana to achieve, but the entire world!! In your honor, I'm setting up a scholarship for students who are, what we call the misfits of life, that go above and beyond for the underdog, and everything they bring to the table. Nothing but love Mr. John Carroll Haury, and always remember what you was able to accomplish, and how your legacy still lives on 💜
Miss Courtney Ann Fleetwood

Brittany Ann Fleetwood - November 01, 2025 at 11:06 AM

JK

“ *Lee Ann: I went to law school with John and my wife Elaine and I came down a couple of times and hoodwinked you two to go see our favorite band the Ragin Texans with us. I had just emailed last week to try and set up another outing with you when I saw the news of John's passing on the internet. I still can't believe it. John was a good friend to me even though we didn't see each other much lately. My sincere condolences to you and Amanda, Jonas and Sam. Jim Knapp*

Jim Knapp - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

JA

“ *I worked with John on St. Mark's pastor-staff-parish committee for a few years in the late 90's. He was a great help, a calming influence and good at giving voice to the crux of the matter. I liked and respected him. I'm sorry he has passed. My condolences to his family.*

Jane Parry - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

DA

“ *Dear Leanne, I was shocked and saddened to hear about John's passing away. Before I left for Florida I saw John and we talked about getting together when I returned to Bloomington and I am very sad I won't be able see him again in this life. John was very special and was very helpful and wonderful friend who helped me through some difficult times in my life. John just understood and cared about people and I am very happy he was part of my life and I am sorry I didn't get to tell him goodbye*

David Thomas - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

KE

“ Lee Ann & Family, I am so sorry to hear about John. I really enjoyed getting to know him over the years working tennis tournaments together...he will be truly missed. Ralph & I, and the kids will keep you in our nightly prayer. Sincerely, Kevin.

Kevin Labor - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

DA

“ My condolences to John's family. I tried my first jury trial with John's help in Lawrence Circuit Court in 1979. John was always helpful to other lawyers and really cared about his clients. He was a very good person.

Dan Mills - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

GA

“ I've never been more shocked to see that John passed on. I played tennis with John many times back in the 80's and early 90's until I had some health problems. He represented me as attorney on several occasions over the years. I remember having his wife and kids over for horseback riding once. He was an excellent rider as with all of his endeavors. A fair, just and honest man who I am honored to have known and called a friend--that was John Haury. Rest in peace, John. This is a great loss for us all. I pray for family and friends to find the strength to carry on.

Gary Mundy - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

JS

“ We are saddened to hear of Johns' passing, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Joe & Susan Starr - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

DA

“ John created a large life credit with those he encountered. I was a tennis official associate of John's. The Nats at the Zoo benefitted from John's work there over the years. The world is now an emptier place without him.but the lives he enriched while he was here will be able to spend that credit John created. His memory will cast a very long shadow going forward.

Darrell Davies - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

GM

“ So saddened by the death of John. Such a fine man who helped people behind the scenes and changed life's. We appreciated and admired John.

Greg and Marsha Ralston - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

SU

“ Leanne, my condolences to you, your family, and John's family. I am so sorry to hear of his passing. I just wanted to let you know I am thinking of you, and that you all are in my thoughts. Susan

Susan Burns - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

BP

“ Sam,
I'm sorry to hear about your dad. I knew him from playing tennis. We were often at the Tennis Center at the same time. Every time I saw him, I'd ask how you and Emily are doing. Always with a smile, he'd keep me updated on your EMT work, firefighting etc. Same with you, Emily. He was always so proud of you both knowing you were making your way in the world. I wish you both the best in life as I have fond memories of you in your elementary days--Sam being up to something at all times, and Emily full of energy and smiling. Carry on with the positive energy and caring your dad always showed!
Fondly, Mrs. Piekarsky

Beth Piekarsky - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

RO

“ I just found out about the passing of John from a friend living in Bloomington, IN today, and am very saddened to hear about this tragedy. He and I went to Shortridge High School together and attended I.U. Law School. I have fond memories of joking with him and his distinctive laugh that he had. What a loss of a brilliant mind, such a caring person and father, and a wonderful attorney. To the family, I am truly sorry for your loss, and I offer my condolences as I am proud to have known John and to have been able to have called him my friend. You are in my prayers during this time of sorrow.
Sincerely, Rodney

Rodney Richardson - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

CH

“ On behalf of the Indiana High School Athletic Association and myself, our thoughts and prayers are with Lee Ann and the entire Haury family during this most difficult time. John was a truly a community servant and his work as a tennis official was certainly appreciated by all. Please accept our deepest sympathies. In this time of grief, you are in our thoughts and in our prayers.

Chris Kaufman - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

M"

“ My heartfelt condolences to John's family. He was taken from this world too soon. I'll always remember, when I was a little kid, going with my parents to the fun picnics at his house. So many great memories. He will be missed but not forgotten.

Michael "Mickey" Massette - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

S(

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of such a sweet man. May God bring you all comfort, strength and healing in this time of need.

Summer Anderson (Compton) - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

GA

“ *Lee Ann and all members of the Haury Family*

I am shocked and dismayed upon hearing of John's passing. I first met John about 20 years ago when we were both officiating for an event in Hilton Head S.C.

We became instant friends and I will miss him terribly.

Please accept my deepest sympathy during this sorrowful period for the family.

My prayers are with him.

gabe pace - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

SW

“ *So sorry for your loss. John has been a dear friend for the past 40 years and we will miss him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you!*

Susan & Tom Woodward - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

TA

“ *Lee Ann I'm so sorry for the untimely death of John. Please know you & your family are in my thoughts & prayers. May you feel God presents always. Hugs*

Tammy Childs - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

BI

“ Dear Lee Ann,

I was very shocked and saddened to hear of John's sudden passing last weekend. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in these most difficult times.

*With sympathy,
Bill Kopek*

Bill Kopek - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

MB

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. John was a well respected and loved man. I had been his hairstylist for the last 10 or more years. He was a great friend and I'm blessed to have shared a small part in his life. God bless and comfort you all.*

Melissa Bartlett - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

JO

“ *Dear Lee Ann and family. I am filled with sorrow for your loss. John was one of the kindest and most decent people I have ever known. Such a tragedy. I will be holding you close in my heart as you walk the path of grief. With love and sympathy, Joan*

Joan Vormbaum - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

PK

“ Lee Ann -
Please accept my most sincere condolences to you and the families.
I always looked forward to having you and John as part of the team when possible.
I know John will be deeply missed and only time will help lessen the sense of loss and sadness.
Know that you have a large family within the USTA "Family" that shares in your grief and who are here for you at any time.
My deepest sympathies -
Peter

Peter Kasavage - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

TO

“ Lee Ann and Haury Family,

So sorry to learn about the passing of John. Laura contacted me soon after learning about this shocking news and I immediately said a prayer for John and your family. You've been in my prayers and no doubt many others in our officials community.

Take care, Tom

Tom McTighe - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

MA

“ Amanda, Jonas and Sam, you have my deepest sympathy. I have had the pleasure of knowing John as a fellow official for several years. He had a good sense of humor he used with a twinkle in his eyes. He will be missed.
Lee Ann please know how my heart aches for you. I think of you both so many times during the day. Will be in touch.
Maria

Maria long - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

MR

“ Sam we are sorry to hear about your Dad. This is a tremendous loss for you. You are a special person, God Bless you and your mom.

Love Mike and Rita

Mike and Rita Ramey - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM

AN

“ We're shocked & sorry over John's untimely passing. John was my law school classmate and friend during the past 43 years. We will miss his ready smile and wit.

Andy Szakaly

Andy Szakaly - October 26, 2015 at 03:59 PM