



John Louis Werner

May 6, 1939 - May 31, 2023

John Louis Werner, 84, passed away with dignity and in peace at the IU Health Hospice House in Bloomington, Indiana on May 31, 2023.

John was born on May 6, 1939 in Michigan City, Indiana the son of Elsie and Louis Werner. John grew up on the family farm in Wanatah, Indiana. He graduated from Wanatah High School in 1957 and from Purdue in 1965 with a BA in History/Economics. While at Purdue he was an exchange student to Germany as part of the International 4-H Youth Exchange Program. John was a lifelong member and president of the National 4-H International Program. While pursuing advanced degrees from Indiana University, an MS in counseling in 1969 and a Doctorate of Education in 1982, he worked as an adjunct assistant professor in the Psychology Department and in the School of Public and Environment Affairs.

John's professional life included being the director of The Center for Behavior Health in Bloomington from 1982 until 1995 and then as an addiction counselor for DePauw University from 1999 until his retirement.

John was a kind and gentle man who loved birds, flowers, trees, and the Chicago Bears. He will be greatly missed by family and friends.

John is survived by his wife Marilyn whom he married in 2010 and acquired

two children, Jonathan Wildman of Portland, OR; Dr. Jennifer Barce of Fowler, IN; eight grandchildren Jon; Jordan; Aviva; River; Ingrid; Annika; Wilson and Cyrus; his siblings, Norman Werner and Marvin Werner both of Wanatah, IN; and Betty Ann Werner of Valparaiso, IN; two nephews, Matthew (Stephanie) Werner and sons, Hayden; Finn and Nolan; and Austin Werner and children, Levi and Willa of Valparaiso, IN.

He was preceded in death by his parents Elsie and Louis Werner; and his first wife Janice Bastain.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM CST Monday, July 3, 2023 at the Salem Cemetery in Wanatah, Indiana. Cremation Rites have been accorded.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Sycamore Land Trust, P.O. Box 7801 Bloomington, Indiana 47407 or to Ryan's Place 118 S. Main St Goshen, Indiana 46528.

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory have been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com

Tribute Wall

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“ *My sympathy to the family. I got to know John through the International Four-H Youth Exchange (IFYE) Program. It was nice to see him at our state and national meetings.*

Roger A. Sherer - June 12, 2023 at 10:22 AM

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“ *My deepest sympathy, Norm, to you and your family*

Barbara Kasper - June 10, 2023 at 12:39 PM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear John's passing. He was always such a kind and thoughtful person. I enjoyed the times I got to spend with him, and the memories Levi got to make with his great Uncle John. His memory will be treasured forever. - Love Marcie Davis and Levi Werner*

Marcie Ann Davis - June 06, 2023 at 03:19 PM