



John Francis Courtney

April 7, 1932 - January 10, 2020

John Francis Courtney, 87, of Livonia, Michigan, passed away peacefully, on Friday, January 10, 2020 surrounded by family in Houston Texas. Mr. Courtney was born April 7, 1932 in Detroit Michigan to John S. and Lauretta (Cadarette) Courtney. John was preceded in death by his loving wife Loretta (Massaro) Courtney, his parents John and Lauretta and his sister Mary (Courtney) McGee. He is survived by his children, Sharon Courtney Walker and husband Mark, Thomas Courtney and wife Sally, Daniel Courtney and wife Thaisla; grandchildren, Andrew, Larissa, Olivia, Samuel, Luke, Dylan, Erik and Anna. John is also survived by his brother in law Charles McGee and his sister, Ann Courtney.

John grew up in Marquette Michigan. He graduated from Northern Michigan University and upon graduation started working for United States Gypsum Company where he spent his entire career. John was working in Pittsburgh PA when he met the love of his life Loretta Massaro. They married and settled in Pittsburgh. His career moved them to Livonia, MI where they raised their three children and spent many happy years. John enjoyed traveling and spending time with his family and friends. He was passionate about his Catholic faith and was a devout parishioner at St. Colette Catholic Church in Livonia.

John was an avid golfer and enjoyed many hobbies such as photography, woodworking, and model shipbuilding. He was a devoted husband, father and

grandfather and was always so proud of his children and grandchildren. He was a great friend and neighbor and was loved by all who knew him He will be greatly missed.

The Courtney family will be present to receive friends Saturday, February 22, 2020 from 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM with a Funeral Mass beginning at 11:30 AM at St. Colette Church, 17600 Newburgh Rd., Livonia, MI 48152. Visit www.DettlingFuneral.com to leave words of condolence for the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **22**. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Colette Church
17600 Newburgh Rd
Livonia, MI 48152

Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall



“ *John Francis Courtney*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *John Francis Courtney*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *John Francis Courtney*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *John Francis Courtney*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of John Francis Courtney.*



February 18, 2020 at 09:01 AM

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“ John was my older cousin. In 1949 my family stayed in Marquette for a month or so a few blocks from Aunt Laretta’s house. On our first Sunday dinner we were all about to start the meal and John spoke up and said essentially “mom, the dinner looks great and the dessert looks great and if I eat too much dinner I won’t have room for that apple pie, so could I start with the pie?” Aunt Laretta bought it! I was almost 8 and was flabbergasted. John grew up to be a salesman, of course.

Dan Lynch

Dan Lynch - January 20, 2020 at 05:54 PM

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“ John Courtney rather Coach Courtney was one of my first soccer coaches and was a kind warm gentle soul and even came to my house for my birthday so much respect and admiration for his gentle blind soul 🙏🏻✝️ May his memories be eternal in Christ Jesus amen 🙏🏻❤️

Nick Matovski - January 20, 2020 at 05:11 PM