



John Chalmer Cloyd

May 10, 1959 - September 24, 2024

John Chalmer Cloyd, loving husband, son, brother and friend, was called to eternal rest with our Lord on September 24, 2024. He was 65 years old and resided in San Antonio.

Even though John was born in Illinois, his family moved to Texas when he was only two so San Antonio has always been his home. He attended Thomas Jefferson High School and was proud to be a part of the Freedom Folk Singers where his exceptional talent for playing guitar and singing American Folk, Rock and Contemporary songs started his musical career which would carry through for the rest of his life.

Upon graduating in 1977, he began his employment with USAA. Starting in Policy Service pushing a mail cart, led to a 42 year career of excellent service to military members. His professionalism, courtesy and willingness to help others, resulted in the majority of his years working in management in Member Relations for the CEO's office in Norfolk, VA and in San Antonio.

John met and married his wife, Candis, in 1985. Totally devoted to each other, they were inseparable and were blessed with a loving marriage for almost 40 years. In 1990, he was transferred to the USAA Norfolk office where he and Candy lived in Chesapeake for the next 14 years. While in Virginia, they made many friends and found they had a passion for traveling and were able to

travel the entire east coast from Maine to Florida.

John always considered himself a singer/songwriter and throughout the years he wrote songs for family, friends and work associates for special occasions while enjoying the opportunity to perform with several bands. Meeting and working with other talented musicians enhanced his enjoyment for playing and singing and resulted in many long-lasting friendships.

John's final musical opportunity was as Praise & Worship Leader for Sunday services at the AMEDD Chapel at Fort Sam Houston where he was honored to once again serve the military and humbly praise and thank God for the gift of his talents. He took great pleasure in performing with the other musicians and volunteers and he enjoyed the fellowship he received each week from the Chaplains, military personnel and members of the congregation.

John is preceded in death by his mother and father, Mary Lou Kaak and Jack Cloyd, Sr.; his sister, Sandra Lynn Lawson and her husband, JD; and sister-in-law, Linda Cloyd.

John is survived by his wife, Candis; his brother, Jack Cloyd, Jr; his sisters-in-law, Melissa Wenck and Georgia Garcia (Jairo); nephew, Jack Cloyd, III; niece, Elizabeth McCutcheon; nephew, Chad Lawson (Jeni); nephew, Joshua Lawson (Shelby); nephew, Shawn Bartlett (Jennifer); niece, Jennifer Alderete; nephew, Angelo Alderete (Vanessa) and many other family members.

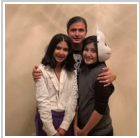
John had a loving heart, a gentle nature, and a kind soul. He was always willing to give of himself to his family and friends and his passing has truly left a sadness in our hearts. We will miss his pure voice and the music he loved to make. Our consolation is that he is at peace with our Lord and his music is now sounding in heaven for all the loved ones who have gone before him.

Tribute Wall

AS

“ John was such an amazing man! I had the pleasure of getting to know him and leading worship with him at fort Sam. We had some great laughs during that time and everytime I visited after that I made sure to go see him even if I wasn't going to lead that Sunday. Praying for his family during this time.

Ashiah Sage - October 03, 2024 at 09:12 AM



“ John was a great man, a good friend, and a wonderful mentor. Now he will be playing with the choirs in heaven. Rest in peace, my friend.

Eric Lopez - October 02, 2024 at 01:04 PM

PR

“ I had the pleasure with working with Mr. Cloyd for several years. He had a great smile, great attitude and a wonderful soul. Thanks for always brightening our days. Thank you for allowing us into your life.

Paul Rocha - October 01, 2024 at 09:32 AM

CL

“ I knew John in our Junior high years at Longfellow. He was a talented musician and vocalist. My condolences to his family. He was a nice person and a talented musician.

Carol (Salazar) Leija - October 01, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ I worked with John in the 1990's at USAA's Norfolk Office. He was very instrumental in making every single event we hosted a special and memorable one for all in attendance. He handled complaints with an unmatched professionalism. All my love to Candi and his whole family.

Judi Knouf - September 30, 2024 at 08:15 PM

RS

“ John truly had a gentle nature and kind soul. And was a talented musician. I was a recipient and observer of his many special musical tributes at USAA. He was so gifted in supporting USAA members and was so caring and giving to his coworkers. My heart is heavy for the family. Sending prayers and feeling grateful for knowing John. Sincerely. Rita Saavedra.

Rita Saavedra - September 30, 2024 at 07:26 PM

DD

“ Some people we meet in life we never ever forget - they become part of us.

That's how it is for me with Candi & John.

Candi worked with me in Chesapeake.

I recall the day she had ran out to take care of some task and John showed up with a virtual carload of roses while she was gone. He had dozens and dozens of various color roses for her and placed them all in her office.

This was the most thoughtful gesture of love I had ever seen.

John loved her so and she felt the same way.

In 1995, John played his guitar & sang at our wedding. The song was "In This Life" made popular by Colin Raye. Candi framed the verses for us. Every time I look at those framed verses or hear the song I always think of John and Candi.

Candi - you and John had something so special.

Love you both always and forever

Deb & Emil D

deborah dallavilla - September 30, 2024 at 07:25 PM

JF

“ I met John in Norfolk at USAA. He was one of the kindest people I've known.

John Foist - September 30, 2024 at 07:17 PM