



John M. Hand, Jr.

April 6, 1953 - August 19, 2006

Our loving and devoted husband and father, John Milton Hand Jr., passed away on August 19, 2006 in San Antonio, Texas at the age of 53. John was born on April 6, 1953 in Corpus Christi, Texas to John and Rose Marie Hand and was the eldest of five children. He earned his Bachelor of Environmental Design from Texas A&M University in 1977 and his Masters of Architecture in 1980. John met and married his wife, Cecilia Eve Pekar while at A & M. He is survived by his wife and their five children: sons, John Francis Hand and his wife Jennifer, Michael Daniel Hand, and Joshua Kaler Hand; daughters, Sarah Marguerite Hand and Rebekah Eve Hand; his parents, John and Rose Marie Hand Sr.; grandmother, Marguerite Kaler; two brothers, Bill Hand and wife Suzi and Bob Hand and wife Deana; two sisters, Diane Addison and husband Bruce and Laura Nasis and husband Ed. John's in-laws are Frank and Evelyn Pekar; brother-in-law, Greg Pekar and wife Nancy. He is also survived by numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. John was a well-respected Architect and leaves behind many friends and business associate as well. The Hand family would like to thank all of the doctors, nurses and medical personnel who partnered with John in his courageous fight against cancer. In lieu of flowers please make donations to the American Cancer Society in John's name.

Tribute Wall

MT

“ Cecilia, my prayers are with you and yours, take care.

*Former Sony Coworker
Martha Tristan*

Martha Tristan - August 26, 2006 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ CeCe,

I felt so bad when I heard about John. I just got the email from Gina Cruz yesterday. I wish I could have come to the funeral. Hope things are going as well as can be expected. Hang on to the fact that Families are Forever.

*Lot of Love,
Guy*

Guyene Hamilton - August 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Cecelia & family, I was so saddened to hear the news. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Martha Cruz - August 24, 2006 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ Hello Cecilia,

It's Gina Cruz, an old Sony family member. My mother Sandra Cruz/Oberthur and I both want to send our deepest condolences on the loss of your husband. God be with you and your family right now, showing you where to find your inner stre

Gina Cruz - August 24, 2006 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Cecilia,

I can't tell you how sorry I am for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family. Lean on GOD and he will ease your burden.

*Rhonda Dunaway
Old Sony Co-Worker*

Rhonda Dunaway - August 24, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ I am very sorry for your lose. I know God will give you the strength to get through this dark time.

Mary Kingsbury

Mary Kingsbury - August 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Bill "Cuz" sorry for your loss and difficult times.....my prayers are with you and your family.

God Bless.

*Steve Moreno Sr.
220-5177*

Steve Moreno Sr. - August 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Our heartfelt condolences for John and his family from one of his childhood friends and neighbor. Though we be so far from San Antonio at this time, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

David and Terri P. Grassbaugh - August 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ A good buddy and pal that I had the pleasure to know and work with.

Steve Lucio - August 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Dear Cecilia and Children,
Alan and I want you to know that we are thinking about you and send our love and prayers. John was such a sweet man. I have not seen him in quit awhile, but I remeber his big handsome smile and gentle way. Give eachother a

Lisa, Alan and Jade Webb - August 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. IF YOU NEED ANYTHING, PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO ASK. I KNOW HOW SPECIAL YOUR DAD WAS TO YOUR FAMILY, AND I'M SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.
STEPHANIE ELLIS

STEPHANIE ELLIS - August 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Sarah we Matrix wanted to send you and your family our warmest condolences, may God Bless you and your family.
Sincerely,
Tara, Lennie, Marc, Wes, Jason & James

Tara Smith - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ I will always have very fond memories of working with John here at the firm. Although our offices are half a country away, it was always a very enjoyable experience to work with John. Good solid work was a given, but the truly remarkable aspect of worki

Jeff O'Neill - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ John,
You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. My deepest sympathy goes out to you and your family.
Chris & Bill

Chris Taylor - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ JOHN AND YOUR SWEET FAMILY,

MY HEART IS HEAVY FOR ALL OF YOU THIS MORNING. I AM SO SORRY ABOUT THE DEATH OF YOUR FATHER. YOU KNOW HE IS NO LONGER SUFFERING AND IS RESTING IN PEACE. MY LOVE AND PRAYERS ARE WITH ALL OF YOU.

BEVERLY THOMAS - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

FD

“ *Celia and family, it has been many years since we've last been in touch except through John's family here in C.C. The memories, though, are true and comforting. The times John and I shared in school, Little League, CYO, A&M, and then after you two got m*

Fr. Don Downey - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *To the family of John Hand,*

Our hearts and prayers are with you during this time of sadness. We only met John on a couple of occassions but that was all it took to see just how special he was. We have known his son John, "Red" for some time, he is a

Mark and Dorothy Lee - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ *John, Rose Marie and all of the Hand family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.
May God bless all of you.*

Patrick, Tencha, Kenneth, and Kevin Riggins - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *John was one of the most creative people I know and he used that creativity for others. He came into my life as a help to me and his church as we looked for ways to make our property landscaping a beautiful and organic place for others to enjoy. He beca*

Tami Dodson - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ *I'am sorry for your lost, your prayer are with you and your family.*

May God Bless You.

Blanch Torres and Daniel Alejos

Blanch S. Torres - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *To the Family of John Hand,
I met John while attending TAMU and while it has been several
years since I last saw him, I still think of him as a friend. I know his
passing is a great loss to both his family and all who knew him.
Please know that John wa*

Mark Pattillo - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Just think about you; hope you are doing OK.*

Jerry Hayes - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *John, Thinking of you and your family...
Mitch*

Mitch Tenney - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *So sorry to hear about your loss.*

Danny Collins

Danny Collins - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ I wish to extend my condolences to your family! I had the pleasure of providing products and services to John. I Loved John!

Eloy Figueroa - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ John, Jennifer & Family. My prayers and thoughts are with you all. I love you and will keep you on my prayer list. Call me if I can help.

Phyllis Mulkey Sutton - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ We are so sorry to hear of John's passing. It is so hard to say good-bye to a loved one. May your sadness and grief be replaced by all the wonderful memories you have of him. We will continue to hold your family in our thoughts and prayers.
Much lov

Mary Ellen Erwin - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Sorry for your lost, we will be thinking of you and your family.

Sheri Dunk Tyler

Sheri and Mark Tyler Dunk - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

HT

“ God Bless you and be with you at this time.

Hugh and Nelda Tyler - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *Diane, I knew you in high school and am very sorry to hear of the loss of your brother.*

Shirley - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *Dear Cecelia and family: It is such a short time ago in June that we saw you, John and family here in Georgia for John, Jr. & Jennifer's wedding. John's commitment to family, his strong will, his sense of humor, and deep roots with long-time friends wer*

Rita & Buddy Burdell - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ *I know I speak on behalf of the entire staff of Culebra North Dental Care that John WILL be missed! I truly empathize with you, Cecelia, as my first husband of 25 yrs., father of my 5 children, died unexpectedly of a cerebral hemorrhage in 1998, at the a*

Debra von Essen - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ *It was a privilege to have known John and to have worked with him on numerous projects. He will be missed by all who knew him. With sympathy from all at Alamo Foam.*

Jerry Orsak - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ *Uncle John and Aunt Rose Marie,
Diane, Bill, Bob, and Laura,
Nana,
Celia and family,
As your heart aches, know that our Father has John in His arms. All
our memories of John Jim & John as kids and John & Celia with us
at A&M are those of a righteous ma*

Jim and Rose Vatzlavick - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ *John M. Hand, Jr.*

Paul & Patsy Bucey - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *Cecillia,*

*I was saddened to hear of your loss. I know it's been many years
since we last spoke but you are not forgotten.*

*Sincerely,
JOY*

Joy Dixon - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Josh, I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. Please know that even
though I'm in Florida, you and your family are in my thoughts and
prayers.*

Kim Bruns - August 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ *Extending our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your loved one.*

Craig Salsbury

Director & Staff at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North - August 20, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *John, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time of sorrow. May fond memories bring you peace and strength.*

Billy & Amelia Crine - August 20, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *Mr. Hand there are no words that can express how good of a man you are. You raised some wonderful children and your memory will always live on in them. Liz and I are both thankful that we were blessed to know you during your short time on this earth. May*

Curtis & Liz Lee - August 20, 2006 at 12:00 AM