



John Franklin Queen

November 21, 1949 - August 14, 2024

John Franklin Queen passed away peacefully on August 14, 2024, in San Antonio, Texas.

Born in San Francisco, California in 1949 to Daniel M. Queen, M.D. and Janet Boles Queen, he moved with his family to Texas in the early 1950's. Growing up in a big, boisterous family, John cemented his place with his humor and impeccable comedic timing. His jokes and "John-isms" were legendary and always followed by his one-of-a-kind smile and belly laugh. His love of slapstick physical comedy ranged from classics like the Three Stooges and The Little Rascals to Home Alone, making him a sought-after movie date amongst his family members, especially his sister, Boo.

To any and all who know the Queen family and our love of sports and competition, John was one of the proudest fans and fiercest competitors. As an avid University of Texas football fan, John never missed a chance to root for his team. He was a lifelong swimmer and the proud recipient of numerous freestyle swimming awards from his time as a Special Olympics athlete. He was also an award-winning competitive bowler in his youth.

John was a beloved son, brother, and uncle. He is preceded in death by his parents, his brother Daniel M. Queen, Jr., and sisters Janet (Boo) and Marcelite. He is survived by his brother James (Jimmy) and wife Durinda

(Duzie), and their children Kristin (Matthew) Queen Shaffer, Katherine (Clifford) Hortenstine, Lauren (Cyrus) Bellieu and Marcus Queen. As “Uncle Johnny” he is also survived by five loving great-nieces and nephews: Jillian and Harriet Shaffer and Madison, Ada, and Wyatt Hortenstine.

John will always be remembered for his embodiment of some of the best qualities one can possess: kindness, resilience, humor, and unconditional love.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to an organization that provided so much support and confidence to John and other Texas athletes like him at Special Olympics Texas.

A memorial service will be held at St. David’s Episcopal Church, 1300 Wiltshire Ave., San Antonio, TX 78209 on September 6th at 11:00 a.m.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. David Episcopal Church
1300 Wiltshire
San Antonio, TX 78209

Tribute Wall

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Mary Catherine Ballantyne - November 02, 2024 at 03:31 AM

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“ We were very sad to learn of John's passing. He was always so kind to our family member, Cynthia Williams, who also lived in Meadows at Mission Road for the last 40 years. Cynthia passed away a few months ago, as well. John was a delight to know, and we will always remember what he would tell us as we would get ready to leave after visiting the residents at Meadows. John's parting words to us each time were, "Don't worry about Cynthia. I always help look after her." We know he did. He was so kind and thoughtful of others. We are sorry for your loss. Blessings, George and Barbara Williams

Barbara and George Williams - October 02, 2024 at 11:49 PM

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“ TIME TO GO HUG YOUR PARENTS AND SIBLINGS.

YOU WERE KIND & GENTLE AND FUN TO BE AROUND.

PLEASE, GIVE YOUR MOTHER AND BOO BIG, TIGHT HUGS FROM ME. PLAYING IN YOUR FRONT YARD AND BEING NEIGHBORS WAS ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF MY CHILDHOOD. LEARNING ABOUT FOOTBALL FROM YOUR FAMILY WAS ANOTHER MEMORY THAT WILL STAY WITH ME FOREVER.

MOTHER AND I WILL DEFINITELY SIT OUTSIDE AND WATCH THE STARS SPARKLE MUCH MORE CLOSELY.

"GOOD-BYE, BOO. THE OTHER BOO!"

GREAT MEMORIES WILL ALWAYS MAKE ME LAUGH, JUST LIKE YOU DID.



SONDRA ALFARO KLAMM - September 01, 2024 at 07:08 PM