



John J. Culkin Sr.

March 8, 1926 - January 21, 2023

On Saturday, January 21, 2023, John J. Culkin Sr., a surviving husband and father of four passed away peacefully at age 96.

John was born on March 8, 1926, in Wilkes-Barre, PA to Joseph and Gertrude (McDermott) Culkin. After serving in the U.S. Navy, he studied Chemical Engineering at Villanova University, graduating with top honors in Physics. John took a job at GTE-Sylvania and stayed in Towanda most of his life to raise his four children (John, Joseph Bradley, Marianne, and Andy) with his beloved wife, Vicky and his dog, Boots.

John was a quiet, shy Irishman with a gentle kind personality. He had an endearingly quirky wit and was keenly intelligent. It was difficult to get him to a party, but once there, he'd be the last to leave, saying long fond goodbyes. He could solve any equation and fix challenging problems, whether they were about physics or life in general. His best decision in life was marrying Vicky. John was eager to be by her side for eternity. His spirit might also be found wandering the many lovely creeks and woods around Towanda.

John was predeceased by his wife Vicky as well as his brother Joe Culkin and his sister Mary (Culkin) Wallace. Surviving are his 4 children and 13 grandchildren: John and Sue Culkin of Wexford, PA and their children John, Emily, and Sarah; Joseph Bradley and Laura Culkin of Danville, CA and their children Lindsay, Christine, Matthew, and Jackie; Marianne (Culkin) and Eric Mann of St. Michaels MD and their children Cal, Elaine, and Harrison; and Andy and Suzanne Culkin of Romeo, MI and their children Cole, Danielle, and

Alyson. John was blessed with 7 great-grandchildren: Athena and Aralia DePaoli; Ella Schwandt; Owen, Maxine and Parker Christianson; and Victoria Culin.

For those interested in sharing in a fond farewell, a viewing will be held at the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home, 217 York Ave, Towanda on March 3rd, 2023 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. A mass of Christian burial followed by interment will be held at the Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Third St. Towanda on March 4th, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.

Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

S.S. Peter & Paul Cemetery

30 James Street
Towanda, PA 18848

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 3. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home
217 York Ave.
Towanda, PA 18848
(570) 265-2272
info@bowenfuneralhomes.com

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

S.S. Peter & Paul Roman Catholic Church
106 Third Street
Towanda, PA 18848

Tribute Wall



“ *John J. Culkin Sr.*

October 22, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ *John J. Culkin Sr.*

October 08, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ *John J. Culkin Sr.*

October 06, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *John J. Culkin Sr.*

October 06, 2023 at 03:29 AM



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October 05, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John J. Culkin Sr..*



March 02, 2023 at 02:52 PM

EE

“ Sending our deepest condolences and know sweet memories will help you smile in the days ahead. Such a great and kind man & wonderful family and life. Now your Dad and Mom will be reunited.... Warm Regards, Larry & Elaine Elliott



Elaine Elliott - February 09, 2023 at 10:10 AM

RT

“ Jack was an extraordinary individual. One of the truly Intelligent and charismatic individuals I had the honor to work with in my career.

A great man, a great life. Farewell.

Richard Taubar - February 06, 2023 at 11:59 AM

JF

“ Worked with Jack at GTE Sylvania. He was a very sharp guy with many great ideas.

John Fedorchak - February 06, 2023 at 09:01 AM

VP

“ Please accept our deepest condolences.

VFW Post 1536 Sayre PA - February 05, 2023 at 08:22 AM

SB

“ *Marianne and family,
Sending you all my condolences and comforting thoughts. My dad
also worked at GTE Sylvania with your dad back in the day and my
swim team days with Marianne are memorable. How wonderful that
you had your dad in all of your lives for so long. With warm regards,
Sandy Bargainnier*

Sandy Bargainnier - February 03, 2023 at 04:06 PM

DA

“ *The Bloomer Family sends their heartfelt sympathy in the passing of
your Dad. We were always big fans of the Culkins and our Moms
were best friends! Take care, I know he will be missed but is now
with Vicki. Rest in Peace, Jack!*

Diane Bloomer Allis - February 03, 2023 at 10:03 AM