



John J. Pajor

December 19, 1949 - April 8, 2020

John Joseph Pajor, 70, of Berlin, husband of Antoinette W. (Snyder) Pajor, passed away Wednesday (April 8, 2020) at Hartford Hospital, following a long illness. He was predeceased by his first wife, Susan (Forster) Pajor in 1986. Born in Hartford, son of the late Stanley J. and Florence L. (Anulewicz) Pajor, he was a Berlin resident most of his life and was a graduate of Berlin High School, class of 1967. John was a Master Electrician and worked for the Town of Berlin for 36 years, retiring as Supervisor of Building Maintenance in 2013. He selflessly gave his time to many organizations including being an Honorary Member of the Kensington Volunteer Fire Department; former Board Member of the Berlin YMCA; served on the Town of Berlin Building Commission; former Member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church including as a member of the Vestry and Chairman of the Building Committee of the church; a Member of the Berlin Upbeat Community Team; and was a longtime stamp collector and Member of the American Philatelic Society.

Besides his wife Antoinette, he is survived by a son, Jeffrey F. Pajor and his wife Amy of Kensington; two grandsons, Jaxon and Aaron Pajor, who affectionately knew him as "Papa"; a sister, Margaret Mendoza and her husband Luis of Berlin; several nieces and nephews. Besides his first wife Susan, John was predeceased by two brothers, Stanley Pajor Jr. and Richard Pajor, as well as two sisters, Barbara Kavarsky and Maureen Turvey.

John was known by many that knew him for his jokes, his sharp wit, funny looks, and jovial laugh. He has reunited with his brothers and sisters, parents, friends, Mom, Nan, Ali dog, Sam, George, Mabel, Lady, Chessie and many others gone before him. They are laughing and talking up a storm and are so glad to be together again.... Jack and Aaron love you Papa! We'll all see you down the road.

A memorial service for John will be held at a later date. There are no calling hours. Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain is assisting the family with arrangements. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Kensington Volunteer Fire Department, 880 Farmington Ave, Kensington, CT 06037 or Berlin Upbeat c/o of Berlin High School, 139 Patterson Way, Berlin, CT 06037. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Maple Cemetery

Worthington Ridge
Berlin, CT 06037

Tribute Wall

DB

“ *Antoinette and Family,*

I am very sorry for your loss. John was a great guy, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Diane Briggs

Diane Briggs - April 24, 2020 at 06:45 PM

MR

“ *Antoinette and Family!*

My deepest sympathy at the passing of John. He was an amazing guy..one of a kind. We crossed paths in so many ways...what a role model and giving person. I know how hard is it to lose your soulmate...I will tell you what I have been told...you and (I) were one of the lucky ones to have found "the one". Let your faith help console you and may your memories of John last forever.

Mark Russak

Mark Russak - April 20, 2020 at 02:50 PM

JH

“ *So sorry for your loss.*
Joseph Holstein



Joseph Holstein - April 20, 2020 at 09:12 AM

RP

“ Dear Antoinette,

As we shelter-in-place here on Cape Cod where it is slightly more deserted than Berlin, we were very saddened to learn about the passing of John.

John and I go way back, having first met when his father was helping my father build our house in Kensington back in the 50s. Our friendship continued as his father helped me build our present house on Ellwood Rd starting in 1968!

It was when I served as Berlin's Superintendent of Schools that John and I had the opportunity to work together to maintain and improve the maintenance and physical operations of Berlin's schools. John was always a gentleman in his dealings with school district personnel and a strong proponent of the need to maintain our schools. He was also a major and very important member of the district's UpBeat leadership team and was especially visible at its annual picnic. To thank him for his numerous efforts and willingness to help, he was rewarded with at least one well done hot dog at the annual gathering.

I will miss John. It is truly a sad time!

Richard Paskiewicz

Richard Paskiewicz - April 17, 2020 at 09:06 AM

CT

“ Dear Antoniette and entire Family:

I am very sorry to hear about the passing of the love of your life! My deepest condolences to you and your entire family. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Your friend Christine Taylor and family. If I could be of any help to you please let me know.

Christine Taylor - April 16, 2020 at 07:38 PM

CR

“ We are so sorry to hear of John's passing. We interacted with him frequently at the Board of Ed. John was always very helpful and pleasant. He will be missed by the Berlin community.

Paul & Carol Ranieri

Carol Ranieri - April 16, 2020 at 05:24 PM

MC

“ Our heartfelt condolences to Antoinette, Jeff and Amy. Maura and I have known the Pajor family since we moved across the street from them in 1983. John was a great neighbor-always friendly and offering to help. It was easy to see how much Young Jeffrey looked up to his Dad and wanted to be like him. John was a patient in my optometry practice for over 30 years. This is where I got to know him well. He loved his job in Berlin, especially when he got to work in the schools on a particular project. When I asked him why the schools? He smiled and said that he loved to be near the kids. My kids would often come home from school and tell me that Mr. Pajor made them feel important because of how he greeted them. I will miss John's smiling face and good humor.

Mark and Maura Chasse

Mark Chasse - April 16, 2020 at 01:46 PM

RD

“ My name is Rosie in my house burned down in Berlin in 1997 and Antoinette and her husband were very vigilant and taking care of me and my family for at least six months making sure we had everything we needed I am so sad for Internet but I'm so grateful for knowing her wonderful husband what a wonderful man he was and what a great and caring couple they both are I will forever be grateful for their help

Rosie digrazia-sczurek - April 16, 2020 at 11:44 AM

JL

“ I am so sorry for your loss. John was a great person. He had a lot to do with Berlin getting our new Animal control Facility and the generosity that came with it and his many donations to the shelter will always be remembered. Thank you John.
Jan (Animal Control)

jan lund - April 16, 2020 at 11:34 AM

JK

“ My sincerest condolences to the Pajor family. I had the privilege of working with John and Antoinette for many years. John was always a character but a hard worker and a dedicated Town employee and family man. I work with his son Jeffery of the KVFD and it's clear he did a great job as a father as well. John, rest in peace and know that your legacy will live on and you will be missed. John Klett

John Klett - April 16, 2020 at 11:33 AM

LP

“ John J. Pajor, I wish I knew you better and had time to laugh with you. After reading the messages below and the beautiful words from your obituary, seems that the jovial laugh must run through the Pajor family. I laugh the same, and you sound like my kind of person. My father, John M. Pajor, your first cousin, moved our family out west in 1995 when I was a young. My father said that you were his Uncle Stanley son and if we continued the family reunions at the Avon property like we did growing up, we may have had the opportunity to stay in touch. John, you sound like a truly amazing individual and that is inspiring to me. If only, we all could do half of what you did to serve others. Praying for the rest of the family to find peace in your passing over to our Heavenly Father. Your smiling in the clouds.

As for the family, I am praying for you all, and hope to make this an opportunity to connect with you all as well. I have been away from CT for a long time, and family is so important to have an know. Please contact me and reach out via email or text/call, don't be shy => . Hopefully, one day, we will meet again and one more thing GO UCONN!!

LOVE ALWAYS,
Lindsay Pajor
(my grandparents were Kazmer and Catherine Pajor)
850-217-8042
linds.page@gmail.com

Lindsay Pajor - April 15, 2020 at 09:35 PM

JP

“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



Jeff Pajor - April 15, 2020 at 11:19 AM

BT

“ *As I see your smiling face looking at me as I write, I think of all of the laughter, UConn Women events, and crazy times at the Town Hall that we spent together...you, Antoinette, and I. I was lucky to work with you John and to get to know the Pajor Duo! Tom and I will miss you greatly but I know UConn Women will win another National Championship next year, because you will be orchestrating things from above. You did so much for so many other people not just in Berlin, but around the country through your wonderful work with the Red Cross and Antoinette. You will be remembered fondly by all of those people who were fortunate enough to meet you and have you help them through life. Bonnie*

Bonnie Therrien - April 15, 2020 at 10:42 AM

AF

“ *Eternal memory to John.... I knew and cared for John very much during my employment with the Town. He was always knowledgeable, in a good mood despite often insurmountable tasks, and friendly. The picture shown with his smile is perfect. When John retired I stopped by and he was so grateful.... it was a small gesture but John really appreciated it. I was blessed to get to know Antoinette and Jeffrey.. Please accept my condolences on my behalf and all the good people who I worked with at the (now closed) town library. We all respected you very much. God bless your immortal soul John...*

Andrew Fal - April 15, 2020 at 12:00 AM

PP

Antoinette and family my heartfelt condolences to you for your loss. John could always make me laugh. He will be missed.

Paula Poplawski - April 16, 2020 at 11:47 AM

PA

“ *My sincere sympathy to the Pajor Family. The Town of Berlin was fortunate to have this very good man as an employee for so many years, especially as its Director of Public Buildings. During my 12 years on the Berlin Town Council, I never dealt with a more reliable, straightforward, committed and honest employee as John. He took great care in his work, the buildings over which he saw, and his employees, as well as the taxpayers. He ran his department well, often with a limited budget, and never complained.*

Every Berlin resident and taxpayer, every student, everyone who has benefited in some way or another from Berlin's public facilities, has at least in a small way John to thank for it.

He was deserving of his retirement as well as a longer life.

Paul Argazzi - April 14, 2020 at 09:39 PM

MH

“ *Very sorry to hear of John's passing. When I was a new kid at Berlin High, I was lucky to have sixth period study hall with John, which I enjoyed. Early Geek squad table.*
Mark Hoffman

MARK S HOFFMAN - April 14, 2020 at 11:30 AM

CS

“ *Sorry for you loss prayers for you and family*

carol kuehn sakautzky - April 14, 2020 at 07:01 AM