



John W. Thompson Jr.

December 22, 1950 - October 24, 2022

John W. Thompson, Jr., 71, of Southington, Connecticut, formerly of Farmington, Connecticut passed away after a four-and-a-half-year battle with lung cancer, at home surrounded by his loving family.

Born on December 22, 1950 in Indianapolis to the late John and Ann (Mueller) Thompson. He graduated from Bishop Chatard High School in 1968. In high school he was an Indiana All State high school football center. He played defensive tackle for the Brown University Bears all 4 years. He graduated in 1972 with a degree in mechanical engineering. His first job at Gilbane Building company gave him the opportunity to live in many places including Rhode Island, Connecticut, Michigan, Texas, Louisiana and New Jersey. He moved to Connecticut in 1982 to be the head of North American Operations construction division for Otis Elevator.

In 1991 he started his own company, Construction Insight. He was very passionate about his career. He worked long hours and traveled thousands of miles by car and plane for work. Over the years, he built up Construction Insight to include offices in Connecticut and Virginia. At it's peak, the company employed about 20 employees and serviced clients all along the East Coast. He enjoyed his time spent with other professionals and chose to work up until the last week of his life.

He was involved in many aspects of his community with Indian Guides, the Farmington and Southington High School football booster clubs, the Plainville YMCA board of directors, the Southington YMCA and Zion Lutheran church.

But his most beloved volunteer position was as a mentor for the Southington Cyber Knights Robotics club, where his son, JT, was a member. If he had the luxury of retirement years, he had planned to become a mentor for the Cyber Knights again.

He enjoyed planning packed itineraries for vacations with his large and loving family. His travels included trips to Hawaii, Sweden, Disney, Canada, Maine, California and Alaska. He also traveled endless miles and endured extreme temperatures to support his children and grandchildren in their various athletic competitions. As an athlete himself, he took great pride in supporting his children through youth and collegiate sports. He was also a dedicated Patriots fan and enjoyed friendly banter between his siblings who supported their hometown Indianapolis Colts.

He married the love of his life, Karin (Swanson), in January 2007 after meeting through their involvement at Zion Lutheran Church. They created a blended family of eight children. During their 17 years together, they welcomed seven grandchildren into their lives. Nothing brought him more joy than bringing his family together for milestone event celebrations or holiday gatherings.

He leaves behind his beloved wife, and eight children, Kevin Thompson (Lisa) of Brea, California, Elaine (Matt) Strohl of Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania, Robert Morelli, of Southington, Connecticut, Stephanie (Justin) Pronovost of Plainville, Connecticut, Joshua (Erin) Morelli of Bristol, Connecticut, and Amanda, Matthew and John W. Thompson III of Southington, Connecticut, and seven grandchildren Drew, Zachary, Lynnea, Jack, Sunne, Simon and Grant, his sister Cheryl Striwe and her husband, John, of Indianapolis, Indiana and sister-in-law MaryAnn Thompson, of Deland, Florida, and several nieces.

He was preceded in death by his brother, David Thompson, of Deland, Florida.

Calling hours are Friday evening, October 28th from 6 to 9 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Funeral services are

Saturday, October 29th at 10 AM at Berlin Congregational Church, 878 Worthington Ridge, Berlin. Burial will follow in Maple Cemetery, Berlin. All are invited to attend a reception immediately following the funeral at Testa's, 26 South Center Street, Southington, CT.

In Lieu of flowers, donations in John's memory may be made to The John Thompson Memorial Travel Scholarship Fund, benefiting the Southington High School Cyber Knights, a nonprofit organization. To donate online go to: <http://srtea.org/donate/> . When answering the question of "who referred you" for the online form, please enter "In Memory of John Thompson" to earmark the funds for this scholarship. Checks can also be mailed to SRTEA, P. O. Box 826, Southington, CT. Make sure to include "John Thompson Memorial Scholarship" in the note section of the check. This scholarship will help underprivileged students afford travel expenses for robotics competitions. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Maple Cemetery

Worthington Ridge
Berlin, CT 06037

Previous Events

Calling Hours

OCT **28**. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Carlson Funeral Home
45 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051
(860) 225-6361
carlsonfh@aol.com
<https://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

OCT **29**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Berlin Congregational Church
878 Worthington Ridge
Berlin, CT 06037

Tribute Wall

CA

“ I was a classmate of Jack's at Brown. He was a good friend and always had a kind heart. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

Carol - July 17, 2024 at 12:20 PM

KM

“ I'm so incredibly shocked and saddened to hear this news! John was a great guy. He did so much for my family when I was growing up. Very admirable person. Very kind and beyond generous. Thoughts and Prayers to his kids and family.

With love
KC Michael Corbeil

KC Michael - November 17, 2022 at 08:43 PM

TE

“ John's devotion to his family and his colleagues was never in question. What a stand-up guy. We'll miss you, John. Our hearts go out to Karin and family.

Tad and Erin

Tad and Erin - October 31, 2022 at 10:19 AM

FC

“ Please accept my deepest sympathies to all of John Thompson's loved ones.

I met John when he worked at Otis Elevator Company in Farmington CT.

He and I attended the inaugural football game of UConn vs Indiana at Rentschler Field in East Hartford CT August 30, 2003. Rest in Peace!

Frank Carlozzi - October 27, 2022 at 12:16 PM

ME

“ *My deepest condolences go out to Johns family and friends. He was a wonderful person and a great boss. I will miss him very much.* ”

melissa - October 26, 2022 at 12:44 PM