



## John Francis Pawlowski Sr.

March 25, 1939 - July 31, 2023

John (Jack) F. Pawlowski, Sr. a retired teacher passed away peacefully at his home on July 31, 2023, at 84 years of age.

Jack was born in Chicago, IL, the son of Francis and Henrietta (Roman) Pawlowski. He graduated from Saint Gregory high school class of 1956. He received his Bachelors at Illinois State and his Master's in teaching at Washington State University.

Jack met Mary Louise Wingert on a blind date. They married on August 8, 1959, in Chicago to begin their nearly 64 years of marriage. He was a dedicated chemistry teacher for 40 years at Mundelein High School before he transitioned to running what would be the start of the school's IT department for an additional 15 years. Their summers started out camping across the U.S. visiting national parks with their boys until they upgraded to RV life. Annual trips to Arizona were taken via way of Idaho to visit family.

Jack was an avid photographer and with camera in hand, captured the world from forests to oceans and sunrises to sunsets. Jack was the official and 'unofficial' photographer at all family events. When he wasn't behind the camera lens, he enjoyed meeting new people around the world during their travels.

Jack was a proud Eagle Scout, Quartermaster in the Sea Scouts, and member of Ham radio. As an active member of Ham radio, he could be found volunteering at various events; including the Des Plaines canoe race annually for the past 30 years.

Jack was a devoted family man and took pride in assisting the family with projects, attending grandchildren's sporting events and other activities.

He is survived by his wife Mary Lou and four children. John (Cindy), Michael (Georgeann), Mark (Cindy), and Dave (Karin). He is also survived by 9 grandchildren; Zack, Rachael, Lexi, Michael, Matthew, Abby, Owen, Cole, and Graham.

He leaves a nephew, Brian Devine, Twin Falls, ID, and a niece, Felicia Jensen, IL. He was predeceased by his brother, Robert Pawlowski; nephew, Bobby Pawlowski; niece, Jennifer (Devine) Hatch.

A private family memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers friends are asked to donate to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation: <https://www.cff.org/donate>

I lived my years as an Eagle Scout, now I shall fly and soar above.

I lived my years dedicated to teaching, now I shall enjoy all the bright minds below.

I lived my years looking through a camera lens, now I shall view heaven's beauty.

I lived my life exploring, now I shall rest.

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Francis Pawlowski Sr.*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Jack,*

*We sure had a lot of laughs both while we were working together and after (especially during our breakfasts). You had a great heart and did a wonderful job raising your family and teaching them about respect, work ethic and values. This world has lost a great man. Rest well my friend. Until we meet again on the other side.*

*Fred Kliora*

**Fred Kliora** - August 04, 2023 at 09:15 AM



*Jack:*

*You were a wonderful neighbor and Friend to the Noyes' Family when we moved to LIBERTYVILLE in August of 1981. Our many long and engaging conversations as neighbors at the always memorable and so enjoyable early parenting days- soon developed into a Friendship, that even with the passage of 40 plus years, was quickly renewed when we have met a number of times over these many years.*

*As a Dad- Husband- Friend- Educator- and a Consistently Curious and Intelligent Person who could fix 'anything and everything,' you were the very best.*

*Ed Noyes and Family*

**Edward S. Noyes** - August 05, 2023 at 03:16 PM