



John Samuel Davidson

September 4, 2021

John Samuel Davidson, 91, of Lancaster, PA passed away on Saturday, September 4, 2021. Born in Lancaster, PA, he was the son of the late David J.J. and Evelyn (Pioso) Davidson.

He attended Pennington Preparatory School in New Jersey. John honorably served his country in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War. After the war, he joined the family business and eventually became the co-owner of Davidson Shoe Corporation.

He will be lovingly missed by his wife of 68 years, Marilyn Davidson; his daughter, Diane Alwine, wife of James, his son, John Davidson, husband of Patricia Peifer; and his three grandchildren.

John was preceded in death by his brother, David "Jim" J.J. Davidson, Jr. He was an active member of the Lancaster County Detachment of the Marine Corps League.

A Funeral Service will be held at The Groffs Family Funeral Home, 528 W. Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 on Friday, September 10, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. The family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Interment will follow at Conestoga Memorial Park, 95 2nd Lock Road, Lancaster, PA.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Lancaster County Detachment of the Marine Corps League, P.O. Box 227, Columbia, PA 17512.

Cemetery Details

Conestoga Memorial Park

95 2nd Lock Rd
Lancaster, PA 17603

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *John Samuel Davidson*

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“ *My parents met John and Marilyn on a sightseeing trip and became true friends. He was the die-hard Marine and Dad was Army, but they loved sharing stories about the military, the shoe business, and the outdoors. We had acreage west of Gettysburg that the four of them loved to spend the weekends together. The girls would go shopping and the boys would mow and tip a few to Uncle Sam. I owe a huge debt to John for mowing and keeping the place manicured when I could not. In fact, there were times I think he would mow the same field again, only because he wasn't finished having fun. He had a dedicated chair in the clearing where he would sit for hours just to watch the wildlife and smoke his cigar.*

John was infectious – you just couldn't not like him - and he wrote the book on energy. To my favorite Marine – Semper Fi, John.

Skip Reynolds

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“ John was married to my sister Marilyn, and he was always like a big brother to me. I used to go over to their house when I was a teenager, just to hang and play with their kids who were so darned cute, and just enjoy being with them.

Once John let me drive his scooter, and on another occasion let me drive his 1948 Buick convertible, which was a very big deal! I remember Marilyn saying that he wouldn't even let her drive it, LOL!

Another year when they had their smaller boat, he let me try waterskiing -- that was so much fun! I was sort of interested in learning to shoot, and thought of buying a .22 rifle for myself, Eventually decided, though, to get a car instead, which was a lot more practical for me at the time. But I know John would have taken me skeet shooting, and taken the time to teach me the safety and proper use of a rifle.

Thank you for all the good memories, Marilyn, you and John were very good to me, and I'll always remember those wonderful times just hanging out with you both.

Much love, Jeanne

Jeanne Muehleisen Klein
Williston Park, NY

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“ I used to clean for him and Marilyn. One day when I was there cleaning he took my car and got new windshield wipers. When I was ready to go home he told what he had done. He knew I needed them. I never asked him to get them. He just has such a kind heart. He will definitely be missed . Beverle Torre

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My sincere condolences to DeeDee, John and Mrs Davidson and extended family Davidson family.. fond memory going water skiing in the family boat! One of the great families of chestnut hill.., sorry to have missed the service.

Lori Lombardo

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