



Mr John Gil Palmer

June 16, 1944 - October 29, 2016

John G. Palmer, 72, of Gulf Shores, Alabama, formerly of Bolingbrook, Illinois, died peacefully on Saturday, October 29th after a 5-year struggle with Lewy Body Dementia. John spent almost 30 years as a Special Agent with the New Orleans and Chicago offices of the FBI. Upon retirement in 2001, John and his wife of 48 years, retired to their little piece of paradise on the shores of Little Lagoon. John was born June 16, 1944 in Rockford, Il. He is survived by a sister, Georgia (Dave) Pogue, of Wichita Falls, TX and his brother William "Buzz" (Saundy) of Duluth, MN. John attended Rockford East High School and graduated from Northern Illinois University. In Rockford, John met his wife Kay and they had 2 daughters, Kristin (David) Gonnella (children, John and Joe) and Kari (Jon) Bowles (children, Palmer and Elli).

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, November 4th at 11:00 am at the Gulf Shores United Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be sent to The Christian Service Center, PO Box 882, Gulf Shores, AL 36547.

Arrangements are by Cason Funeral Service, Foley, Al.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

Gulf Shores United Methodist Church
1900 Gulf Shores Parkway
Gulf Shores, AL 36542

Tribute Wall

KM

“ I think of my cousin John often, his dry sense of humor was genius. He never judged my horrible choices. He had seen a lot in his life and career and he just supported me. There are so many stories but the one that stands out today is when I went to live in a rather 'affordable' area of Rogers Park, in the 90s. He didn't like this idea at all but when I told him that I was determined to make ends meet he helped me move in - carrying furniture and boxes up 5 flights of stairs-- no elevator. John, you left way too soon.



Karen Alison Maish - October 26, 2024 at 01:29 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr John Gil Palmer.



November 03, 2016 at 10:38 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr John Gil Palmer.



November 02, 2016 at 06:45 PM

RM

“ Dear Kay, My deepest sympathy on the passing of John. I first meet John over 30 years ago when he became a patient of mine. We soon became good friends and the friendship maintained even after he moved to Golf Shores. He was a wonderful human being who was blessed by a wonderful family including his daughters and an extraordinary wife. You are all in my prayers Dr. Robert Slott

Robert Slott MD - November 02, 2016 at 04:09 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mr John Gil Palmer.



November 01, 2016 at 06:50 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr John Gil Palmer.



November 01, 2016 at 04:07 PM

LB

“ Love, Mickey and Buz purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mr John Gil Palmer.



Love, Mickey and Buz - November 01, 2016 at 01:52 PM

DW

“ *Sending our condolences to your family. Keith and Donna Watson.*



Donna Watson - November 01, 2016 at 06:48 AM

EA

“ *Emily Anders lit a candle in memory of Mr John Gil Palmer*



Emily Anders - November 01, 2016 at 06:22 AM

EA

Uncle John- we will miss you and your wonderful sense of humor. We hold Kay, Kristin and Kari in our prayers during this sad time. We love you all and are sending big Texas hugs your way.

Emily Anders - November 01, 2016 at 06:32 AM

JD

“ *My sympathies to John's family. I knew John as we shared time in Chicago. He was a very good, conscientious agent who respected his fellow Bu employees and liked by those who knew him. His family members should be proud of the service he gave to his country and love of his wife and children. May he find peace with God in a more beautiful world. Joe Dragon*

Joe Dragon - October 31, 2016 at 10:28 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr John Gil Palmer.*



October 31, 2016 at 05:09 PM



“ *I'm so glad we shared Christmas together! We have lovely, special memories of your dad and that day.
Susan, Marty, Isaac & Sammy*

Susan Donsky - October 31, 2016 at 04:11 PM



*I first met John in 1975 when I was transferred from the New Orleans FBI Field Office to Chicago. John and I were both assigned to the Fugitive Squad and bonded almost immediately. He was like a brother to me and we spent almost 9 years as partners on the squad. John was a highly skilled, dedicated, hardworking agent who was respected by his fellow agents and coworkers. John made the job "fun" with his great sense of humor and dry wit and I will miss him dearly. Our thoughts, prayers, and deepest sympathy to his loving wife Kay, his daughters Kari and Kristin and their families. RIP my brother.
Ron and Sis Dibbern*

Ron Dibbern - November 05, 2016 at 11:58 PM