



John George Phocas Jr.

June 9, 1929 - October 26, 2021

John George Phocas, Jr., 92, of Naples, FL passed away on October 26, 2021 surrounded by his wife of 62 years, Barbara, and his sons, John and Robert. Born on June 9, 1929 in Brooklyn, NY, he was a son of the late John George Phocas, Sr. and Palmi Costa Phocas.

John received his Bachelor's Degree in 1951 from The University of Maine, Farmington, and his Master's Degree in history as well as a professional diploma from Columbia University, Teacher's College. John taught for 35 years as a public-school history teacher in Farmingdale, NY where he positively impacted thousands of children with a combination of firm instruction and loving guidance. He chronicled his family on hundreds of Kodachrome slides and passed the photography bug to both his sons. He enjoyed listening to classical music and reading biographies, history and The New York Times. Rarely losing a game of Trivial Pursuit, he could be counted on to know the most obscure historical fact.

John is survived by his loving wife, Barbara; sons, Robert John (Lisa) Phocas and John George (Amy) Phocas III; grandchildren, Nicholas, Caroline, Trinity, John, Heidi and Jacob; nephews, Evan (Sandy), Scott (Amy), Christopher and George (Sarah); niece Blythe (Dave); sister-in-law, Katrin; and brothers-in-law, Walter (Mary) Laine and Gordon Johnston. In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by his beloved niece Alyssa, sister, Marianthy and

brother, George.

A funeral and Requiem mass is scheduled for Saturday, November 6, 2021 at 10 AM in St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 9801 Bonita Beach Rd. SE, Bonita Springs, FL 34135.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Mary's Episcopal Church or to a charity of the donor's choosing.

To sign John's guest register or to leave online condolences, please visit: www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home and Crematory, Family Owned and Operated since 1978.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

NOV 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Episcopal Church
9801 Bonita Beach Rd SE
Bonita Springs, FL 34135
(239) 992-4343

Tribute Wall



“ *John George Phocas Jr.*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Barbara, My wife Judy and I were your neighbors in Village Walk. I feel badly about you losing John. He was a good man. He was a gentle man. May God Bless you and yours during this Christmas time.*

Chuck Garot

Chuck Garot - December 20, 2021 at 10:27 AM



“ *Barbara, I am so sad to hear of John's passing. He was a wonderful man, husband and father. He will be missed by all who knew him. I always enjoyed his smiling face and the stories he would share when he came into the office. I pray that happy memories will give you and your family comfort during this difficult time.*

- Tammy French

Tammy French - November 03, 2021 at 04:47 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John George Phocas Jr..*



November 03, 2021 at 06:41 AM

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“ *Barbara, I always enjoyed caring for the two of you in the office. He was such a gentleman. You two were an attractive couple and a joy to take extra time and discuss whatever we wanted to that day. Love this picture of him too.*

Dr. Vivian Ebert

vivian ebert - November 02, 2021 at 06:16 PM

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“ *Miss you and love you always.*

John, Amy, Trinity, John, Jacob & Heidi

John - November 01, 2021 at 01:55 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John George Phocas Jr..*



November 01, 2021 at 12:43 PM