



John Dennis O'Rourke II

June 7, 1963 - April 4, 2019

John O'Rourke was born in New London Connecticut June 7 1963. He was killed in a car accident April 4 2019. He is proceeded in death by his father John Dennis O'Rourke and his mother Julia Serrano. He is survived by his partner of ten years Brandon Little, his brother Kevin O'Rourke and his wife Sharron, and his niece Kathleen Warner. John O'Rourke was a magnificent man if there ever was one. He was always there to help a friend in need. He was kind, understanding, and had a sincere, loving nature. He loved being outdoors, going on road trips, and under the hood of a car.

He enjoyed spending his time at home having tea, and just watching TV with Brando. Another past time of his was working on his cars. He loved his cars. He knew them all back and forth. He rebuilt most of them. He could tell you what was wrong with your vehicle by listening to it. Out of everyone in his car club he was one of the few who actually knew anything about cars. He would get a call at least once a week to fix someone's car. He was everyone's "go-to-guy" when it came to car problems. He fixed everyone's cars, or at least sent them in the right direction to get it fixed if he didn't have the right tools. Another passion of his was airplanes. He could tell you what type of airplane was flying overhead by the sound of the engine. He loved engines, cars and airplanes. He was an airline engineer, and long-time employee of Pratt and Whitney. He also worked for Axiom, Northwest Airlines, Pilgrim Airlines, Hawaiian Airlines, GTC (Gas Turbine Corporation), the Air Force, Air Tran,

and NAC (National Airmotive Corporation).

John will surely be missed by everyone who knew him. He was a much-loved member of his community, family and friends, and at home. He left us with shoes that can't be filled.

Services will be held Saturday April 13th, at Savvy Studios 6743 Stage Rd Suite 9 Bartlett, TN 38134 from 6:00 to 8:00pm

Tribute Wall

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“ Our most Sincere Condolences go to Brandon and John's Family. John was a member of the Show Me Region of LCCI, based out of St. Louis (in addition to Memphis and other regions) and participated with us in multiple events. Most recently he attended the Gary Johnson Memorial Weekend in Eureka Springs, AR, in 2018. The picture attached shows John with his beautiful 1966 Olds 98 Convertible at that event - we were all jealous! And also proud of how he fixed a coolant leak on site and motored on. He shared with me that a typical Saturday morning could entail friends dropping by for car chat and repairs - such skills, passion and generosity!

John, your Lambda friend love you and miss you!

*David Baker
Show Me Region President - LCCI*



David Baker, Show Me LCCI Region Pres. - April 12, 2019 at 07:50 PM

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“ His grateful friends at Allegiant Air purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Dennis O'Rourke II.



His grateful friends at Allegiant Air - April 12, 2019 at 01:08 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Dennis O'Rourke II.*



April 12, 2019 at 10:27 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Dennis O'Rourke II.*



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“ *We hold you each of you in our thoughts and prayers. John was a kind, thoughtful, intelligent, engaging and insightful, mechanical genius. He was such a pleasure to engage in conversation with. Always enjoyed his stories of growing up and the cars in the family. We always appreciated John joining in and supporting our Chapter events and road trips. John was a very fine man and a sincere pleasure to have known. Rod Starns and Chet Breitwieser Show Me Chapter LCCI
St. Louis, Missouri*



Chet Breitwieser - April 11, 2019 at 10:46 AM

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“ O'Rourke Family,

My prayers are with you in your time of loss. My name is Deon Tucker and I'm a Pratt & Whitney employee in Columbus, GA and worked with John on the FedEx program. John was a pleasure to be around and if you had a question about anything aircraft related he had the answer. I also had the pleasure of going to the shooting range with him on one of my trips to Memphis, which ended up being the highlight of my trip. I can go on and on about how great John was. He will be leaving a huge void in the aviation community for sure.

Deon Tucker - April 11, 2019 at 07:49 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of John Dennis O'Rourke II.*



April 10, 2019 at 10:38 PM



“ *John will be greatly missed. I wish we had a bit more time together to share stories. My deepest condolences to Kevin for the loss of your brother and to Brando, the loss of your other half. My heart goes out to both of you.*

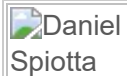
Sylvia Shafer Little - April 10, 2019 at 10:16 PM



“ R.I.P. FLY HIGH !



Clay Overman - April 10, 2019 at 09:45 AM



“ I'll never forget the time when I had to move out of my 3rd floor apartment, but I just had a cast put on my left ankle and needed some help. I was surprised when John offered his help almost immediately. We were friends but not close friends. He came over and was a tremendous help. He was a kind and loving man, a great partner, and he will be missed.

Daniel Spiotta - April 10, 2019 at 07:36 AM



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