



John Douglas Shirey

August 13, 1954 - March 10, 2022

John Douglas Shirey, or just "Doug" to all who knew him, aged 67 of Cosby, Tennessee and formerly Springfield, Ohio, passed away at his home on March 10, 2022.

Doug was born in Springfield, Ohio on August 13, 1954, to John and Barbara Shirey. He graduated from South High School there, worked as a finish carpenter, and had a long career at Benjamin Steel as a warehouseman and supervisor before retiring in 2014. He was preceded in death by his father, John Shirey; uncles, Vaughn Dabe and Robert Shirey; aunt, Jody Hagerman; as well as other uncles, cousins, and family members.

Doug was a gentle soul, his kindness matched only by his generosity, always extending a helping hand to loved ones, friends, and neighbors throughout his life. He met the love of his life, Cathy, and they were married December 5, 1980. An exceptionally skilled craftsman, avid fisherman, and outdoorsman, Doug loved the beauty of nature, especially the Great Smoky Mountains of eastern Tennessee, where he enjoyed the last years of his life. He was a loving, caring husband and son, father and grandfather, and he will be missed terribly. He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Cathy; mother, Barbara; daughter, Kimberly; son, Jason; grandchildren, Draven and Cadence; as well as many other family members and friends.

A viewing is scheduled for family and friends from 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm, on Tuesday March 15, 2022, at Manes Funeral Home, located at 363 East Main Street, Newport, TN 37821.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to these foundations, whose causes were very important to Doug: <https://www.artemiscenter.org>, <https://projectwomanohio.org>, SafeSpace of East Tennessee <https://mcnabbfoundation.org/helping-the-center/domestic-violence-shelter>

Family and friends may sign the guest register online at: www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements with Manes Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR 15. 2:00 PM (ET)

Manes Funeral Home Chapel
363 East Main Street
Newport, TN 37821

Tribute Wall



“ *John Douglas Shirey*

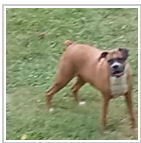
November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Cathy, Kim, Jason, and family. We are very sad to hear of Doug's passing. Cathy and I have great memories of working with him. We appreciate his carpentry skills as he made a rocking horse for our kids and helped us with a front door on our house. He loved you all very much and spoke of your accomplishments whenever he had the opportunity. I am glad he was able to retire and enjoy life in Tennessee. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Tim and Cathy Halloran

Tim Halloran - March 20, 2022 at 10:25 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss Cathy and family..friends ...he was my favorite customer at family farm restaurant...great person...will be missed*

Alice F Johnson - March 15, 2022 at 11:23 AM



“ *Alice Johnson lit a candle in memory of John Douglas Shirey*



Alice Johnson - March 15, 2022 at 11:18 AM

SJ

“ Sherry & Duane, Matt & Laura, Erin & Joe purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of John Douglas Shirey.



Sherry & Duane, Matt & Laura, Erin & Joe - March 14, 2022 at 01:29 PM

DK

“ My heartfelt condolences to all of you. Doug was truly a great Benjamin employee and a better person. I appreciate the years that I spent with him in Springfield, Columbus and Dayton. He was a good one for sure. Rest easy Doug and job well done, tell Vince and Kay hello.

Dan Kelly - March 14, 2022 at 01:25 PM

TL

“ To the Shirey Family my heart truly goes out to you. My prayers and thoughts are with you. This is such hard news to hear. Doug was a great man, an awesome worker and he took good care of his crew. He taught us well. When he became my supervisor he provided even more insight on how I could better myself at what I do. He also stood up for his crew when needed. He was a true gentleman, a trouble maker when he wanted to be but most of all a great supervisor and family man. I do thank him for getting me hooked to going to Tennessee. He brought back all kinds of information for me and I've been hooked ever since. My children even love going. I'm truly sorry for your loss!



Tiffany Lambert

Tiffany Lambert - March 13, 2022 at 09:16 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Douglas Shirey.*



March 13, 2022 at 07:32 PM



“ *So sorry to learn of Doug's passing. Worked with him for 36 years at Benjamin Steel.He got me to work many winter days in the 80's with his Blazer.He was very instrumental in the early success of Benjamin. Will miss him. Condolences to Cathy and family. Alan*

Alan Pester - March 13, 2022 at 02:59 PM



“ *I was shocked to hear of Dougs passing. My prayers for you and the family. I can certainly sympathize. Robin Cowles*

Robin - March 13, 2022 at 10:59 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to you all.*
Rita Hollingsworth

Rita Hollingsworth - March 12, 2022 at 03:57 PM