



John Pohlen

June 5, 1958 - December 23, 2012

John William Pohlen, age 54.

God called John home December 23, 2012, as he lie peacefully, surrounded by his loving family. John was born in Omaha, Nebraska to Paul and Barbara Pohlen on June 5, 1958. After attending California State University, Long Beach, John graduated from Cosmetology School and entered the family beauty supply business in 1978. He worked with his family at Barbara's Beauty Supply for 21 years before starting his own businesses, Salon Equipment International, Inc. and SalonEquipment.com. Under his guidance, the businesses grew into the top salon and spa equipment businesses in the industry. John was a beloved family man and a smart businessman with a generous and caring heart. Everyone who knew John knew that he loved making people laugh, whether with a joke, a magic trick, or a humorous story. John had an avid mind for the game of basketball, coaching not only his children but also teams at the high school and collegiate levels. He was a positive influence on so many young people through his coaching, not just in basketball but in life as well. He thoroughly enjoyed traveling and spending time with his family. John is survived by his wife of 30 years, Cindy and their children, John [Tracy], Tom [Amanda], and Jeanette. A vigil will be held at St. Angela Merici Catholic Church in Brea, California on January 24th, 2013 at 7:30pm. Memorial services will be held at St. Angela Merici Catholic Church on January 25th, 2013 at 10:00am, followed by a reception at Coyote Hills

Golf Course in Fullerton, California.

Tribute Wall

RW

“ I am so sorry to see the passing of John. I worked at Barbara's Beauty Supply for 8 years and John was the nicest guy that anyone would want to meet!. R.I.P John Pohlen



Rosemary Willems - October 12, 2025 at 11:29 PM

JS

“ My prayers and most heartfelt condolences go out to John's family at this very sorrowful time. I had the great pleasure of being a schoolmate and teammate of John's during our high school years. He will truly be sorely missed.

John Stover - January 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all affected by John's passing. No matter how long it had been since we communicated, John always had a joke to tell along with a way of making people feel important. What a wonderful man. I'm blessed that I had a chance to work with him.

Erica Coble - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ I had the pleasure of meeting John for over 12 years. John was a person who always view things outside the box. I learned from him and he will be missed and remembered.

Cristina Perez - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *I served in USAF with John's dad for many years. John's has that wonderful smile of this father, Paul and leaves a great legacy.*

January 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.*

Susan Blaho - January 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM