



## John Edward Emmerd

May 30, 1944 - October 9, 2022

Emmerd, John Edward October 9, 2022 age 78 of Westland. Beloved husband of Janet Sowards. Loving father of David (Rebecca) Sowards-Emmerd, Helen Sowards-Emmerd and Michael (Kathryn Knapp) Sowards-Emmerd. Dear brother of Mary Ann (the late Robert) Randall; uncle of Kyle and Jeff Randall. John proudly served his country in the U.S. Army. Gathering with family and friends on Tuesday, October 18th from 1 PM until the 4 PM Memorial Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Road (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland. Memorial contributions may be made to Open Door Ministries, 4301 S. Lilley Road, Canton, MI 48188 or Lighthouse Home Mission, 34033 Palmer Road, Westland, MI 48186. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

# Previous Events

## Gathering of Family and Friends

OCT 18. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Westland  
980 North Newburgh Road  
Westland, MI 48185  
(734) 326-1300  
westland@vermeulenfh.com

## Memorial Service

OCT 18. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *John Edward Emmerd*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *God Bless you and your family and give you courage and strength in your time of sorrow. Sue Orzel*

**Sue Orzel** - October 23, 2022 at 01:31 PM



“ *what sad and untimely news, John was such a nice guy and the meetings will not be the same without him. May he rest in peace, he will be fondly remembered by me. Margot, fellow MG*

**Margot McCormack** - October 21, 2022 at 11:33 AM



“ *I'm sorry I couldn't pay my last respects to John. He and Janet were the nicest neighbors. For the last 3 years of my son and I were working on his project truck John would always come down to see what's new or if we fixed a problem we were working on. I'm gonna miss our talks. RIP John being ex military you know..... we have the watch.*

**Craig Hatcher** - October 19, 2022 at 05:29 AM

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“ My heart just breaks for the family. Although I hadn't seen them in years, John was a fixture in my life during my youth when I played soccer with Michael, and then older as a referee. There is nobody I respected more, and it was always such a pleasure to see him, no matter how much time had passed. Just always so happy and cheerful. My thoughts and prayers.

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**Brian Huber** - October 18, 2022 at 06:12 PM

DV

“ So sorry for your loss, had some good memories with John on the soccer fields. God bless

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**Don Voyles** - October 17, 2022 at 01:28 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Edward Emmerd.



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October 17, 2022 at 10:01 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Edward Emmerd.



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October 15, 2022 at 07:00 PM



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October 15, 2022 at 11:02 AM



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October 12, 2022 at 10:42 PM



“ *I welded /shot guns with John such a great guy and friend will miss you ....your friend Larry*

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**Larry** - October 11, 2022 at 04:22 PM