




John R. Sobush, Jr.

December 24, 1959 - March 25, 2008

Sobush, John R. Jr, age 48 of Novi. Beloved son of the late John and Mary. Loving brother of James and Shirlene. Best friend of Kevin Miller. Funeral service Saturday 11 AM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 West Ann Arbor Road (between Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Visitation Friday 4-9 PM. Interment St. Hedwig Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Humane Society, 30300 Telegraph Road, Ste. 220, Bingham Farms MI 48025-4507.

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Tribute Wall



“ *John R. Sobush, Jr.*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *I think of Jon often and miss him always. He was a good friend to me. We had great times together. He was a kind gentle beautiful man that will be forever in my heart.*



Diane Jordan - November 23, 2020 at 02:52 PM



“ *I know I am writing this late. I just found this obituary 11 years too late. John was my first boyfriend. We were in 6th grade at neinas elementary. One day, while the teacher was out of the class, John went up to the chalk board and wrote "Will you go with me? Check yes or no". I checked yes, of course. We would meet for a few minutes at the corner of Campbell and Toledo or in the alley just to flirt a little, make eachother laugh, etc. His parents didn't like him and his siblings running loose around the neighborhood like the rest of us rabble rousers and I admired that. It meant they cared. I have thought about John many times over the years but I guess when he left Detroit before middle school, to move to either Pontiac or Plymouth (I forget which), he made new friends as did I, but I never forgot him. He was a sweet boy with excellent penmanship and very smart. He was an ideal student, quiet and always prepared for class, always neatly dressed, clean and hair combed neatly. He definitely stood out in our neighborhood. LOL! I am so sorry he left this earth so early. I plan on going to Heaven someday and I will look him up when my turn eventually comes.*

Kathleen MacDonald - March 16, 2019 at 11:20 PM

TF

“ Johnny's enthusiasm for life will be missed by all. We so appreciate being part of the Sobush family and are blessed to have known him. Our hearts ache for you, Shirlene, Jimmy, and Kevin.

The Deak Family - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

C7

“ worked with john on 7 north and missed him when he left to 4 east but always was so happy to see him in the hallways,would give a hug a quick chit chat about things and off to work. john will be missed greatly. i am so sorry for your loss.

cheryl kinal 7north - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

CV

“ John was one of those people who once you meet, you never forget. I feel lucky for having had the chance to know and work with him. From his genuine smile, his laugh, his eagerness to help you out-happily, and the greeting of "hey gorgeous" I always recieved from him, he is dearly missed. The unit feels empty without him.

Cathy Valka - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

RH

“ I have only had the privilege of working with John for the past year or so. Even as the new person, John had a way of making you feel at ease. He was approachable, kind and sincere.
There are many things that I will miss about John. I will miss that if he asked me about my night, that he really wanted to know the answer. I will miss how he was able to lighten the mood of our serious environment with his laughter.
Our unit will be a lesser place without him.
Ryan Havens - MICU

Ryan Havens - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

KM

“ John will be dearly missed, especially his infectious laugh, his kind soul, and great sense of humor
"I hear the music, as he strikes a key, an orchestra is what I see.
Two soul that share a common ground, a friendship they have found.
What is a piano, without the player, It's like a soul, without a desire.
It sits alone in the dark, waiting for someone to light a spark.
A hope or a desire, waiting for someone to inspire.
To play a song of the heart, a song of two sould that will never depart."
I will forever hear John playing his piano when I read this poem.

Goodbye my dear friend :-)

Karen Maccioni - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

SM

“ I can't express how much John will be missed. He was a prince of a guy. Always kind and helpful to all. There are many a knitter at Beaumont that can say "John taught me to knit" and I am one of them. I was fortunate to have called him my friend. God bless you John.

Sue Van Maanen - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

DW

“ We are truely sorry for your loss! John was such a good person. May he rest in peace he will be missed! We knew him when we worked at denny's and saw him again when my brother was terminal. He was always smiling and pleasant to us. God Bless you and yours!

Darryl and Claudia Walker - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

DC

“ I worked with John several years ago on a busy surgical unit. When things got really hectic, there was John working away, always smiling and never complaining. Lately, we would run into each other by Starbucks, we would hug and again I would see that smile. I will really miss him.

Denise Czach - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

MD

“ I USE TO WORK WITH JOHN @ BEAUMOUNT HOSPITAL. HE ALWAYS HAD SOMETHING WITY TO SAY AND ALWAYS HAD SMILE ON HIS FACE NO MATTER WHAT HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN GOING THOUGH. MAY GOD BLESS HIS FAMILY AT THIS TIME OF LOST. I WILL MISS VERY MUCH MY FRIEND.

MEASIA DOVE - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

DK

“ Sirlene and Jimmy (Tina) what a loss.. The stories that we can share on how much of a prankster Johnny was. I think anyone who came within any distance was one of his victims to his jokes! His smile and his laugh was contagious, his heart was never ending. He so loved life, his friends and his animals.
Kevin what a tremendous loss this must be for you, for you probably knew him best, the friendship you had was a rare and blessed one. I am truly sorry for your loss! I hope for those left behind, peace in your hearts, Johnny now joins his parents, what a time they must be having!! Cackles and all (I can almost hear them now)
My Love Always
Diane

Diane Keech - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

JP

“ It seems like only yesterday when I saw John in the halls of Beaumont just leaving the cafeteria. We always hugged each other, but this hug was esp. long after telling me of his Mom's death so soon after losing his Dad. They were deeply loved and missed by him...now they will miss each other no more....so sorry for your loss.

Jill Paris - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

JZ

“ Kevin - we didn't really know John, but are so sorry for your loss - and at such a young, young age. We sincerely hope your memories will last a lifetime.

Jack/Laurie Zielinski - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

TM

“ John was such a wonderful and caring co-worker/friend. His laugh was infectious. He was a calming presence in the chaos that can be the ICU. Always making everyone feel at ease and at home. His consummate professionalism will be missed, but not as much as his smile and laugh. My deepest condolences to John's family. He will be greatly missed.

Tricia Maluchnik - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

EK

“ I have not seen or heard from the Sobush family in many many years, but still remember the good times we had as children. Dear Shirlene and James its Liz Campbell and I am so sorry to hear about John passing so soon after both your parents. My prayers and thoughts are with you at this time. John was a great older brother since way back. If either of you care to contact me, please do! I know it has been years and we did lose touch but sometimes friends get lost for a time to find their way back. Mark Matias as am sure you remember well has also passed this year. January 6th in Las Vegas. Another great man and great lose to this world. It sounds like John was truly liked and respected. Please e-mail me if you care to get in touch.

Elizabeth (Campbell) Kessler - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

TE

“ John you will be truly missed! Many times we joked about how well he stuffed the ICU charts--he would run the printer dry and use up all the paper. I just recently found out that he was a hair stylist too and we were setting up appts for him to start cutting again. He was so passionate about his family, his cat, and his hobbies. He loved animals and always listened intently when someone spoke of their animals. He cared deeply and would go out of his way to help. I will always remember him walking around the unit with his Pepsi in his hand, greeting everyone he met with his smile. He made you feel at ease just by talking to you. I'll miss your laugh, your smile and all your stories John. My deepest sympathy to the Sobush family.

Theresa Pooley (4 East) - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

CU

“ My heart cries. The 'Hi', the 'Bye'. The overtime days, and the medical progressive days. Gotta fill the charts, and boy am i busy days. The let me feed you Cathi times, and all the times he took care of me. The "your husband is on the phone" and "your daughter is on the line" times. You tracked me down in the hospital(no matter where I was) for them and joked with them on the phone times. I will miss you.

My sincerest regrets and sympathy for all of you.

Cathi Urban-4E - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

KP

“ John was such a wonderful man with great integrity...the epitome of a "gentleman". John was so well-known and well-respected throughout Beaumont Hospital, he had friends on every unit. He would always be there to lend a helping hand to whomever asked. And when I came into work and saw him there with his smiling face, I knew the night was going to go well. I feel blessed to have been able to work with John for so many years. He will truly be missed. My deepest sympathies are with you.

Karen Plouffe (Beaumont Hospital - 4 East)

Karen Plouffe - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

CM

“ I was so very sorry to hear about John's passing. He was a such a vibrant person whom I enjoyed knowing over several years of working with him at Beaumont. His laugh was infectious, as was his smile. He had many talents like knitting and music that s lot of people did not know about. This world was a nicer place because of him--I will miss him!

Celeste Morford - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

P.

“ JOHN WAS A VERY KIND AND GENTEL PERSON TO HAVE KNOWN. I WILL MISS HIM. I WILL NEVER FORGET HIM. REST IN PEACE JOHN! MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO THE FAMILY.

P.A.R. - December 12, 2014 at 10:25 AM

MM

“ John was such a kind, genuine person with so many talents and qualities that will sorely be missed.
Personally I will most miss his laugh. So sorry for your loss.

Martha Manare (4 East)

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