



John Derringer

November 20, 1964 - January 20, 2026

John "Johnny" Derringer, age 61, of Sewickley, passed away on January 20, 2026. Born November 20, 1964, in Creighton, PA he was the son of the late Richard and Celestine Derringer.

He found joy in the simple pleasures of life, such as being held and cuddled, and being sung nursery rhymes. His love for music and his gentle spirit touched the hearts of many throughout his life.

At the age of 44, Johnny found a second family at The Verland Foundation in Penn Hills, and later at the Sewickley Campus. It was there that he received an outpouring of love and care that enriched his life. The family extends their deepest gratitude to the dedicated staff and the entire Verland community. Johnny's memory will forever be cherished by his devoted sister, Carol Ann "Sis" (Paul) Barr, and brother, Al (Toni) Derringer; and several nieces and nephews.

There will be no visitation. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Professional services entrusted to Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home & Crematory Ltd; 930 Center Avenue Blawnox, PA, 15238; www.thomasmsmithfuneralhome.com.

Memorial contributions can be made to The Verland Foundation at 212 Iris Rd, Sewickley, PA 15143, or through their website at www.verland.org/how-to-support-verland/