



John Pertinaci

September 13, 1943 - December 15, 2025

John H. Pertinaci, age 82, of Cheswick, PA, died peacefully on December 15, 2025. He was the son of the late John and Margaret (Sanders) Pertinaci.

John's career began in the mid-1960s at Westinghouse in East Pittsburgh, where he worked until 1986. He later brought his leadership skills to Carquest Auto Parts store, before moving to Florida.

His final working days were at O'Reilly Auto Parts store, in Florida, where he retired as a delivery driver, retiring at age 80.

A man of faith, John devoted time to his church's Vacation Bible School, where he volunteered and shared his joyous spirit with the children. He was known in the neighborhood for his water battles, which showcased his ability to be a kid at heart. John's nurturing nature extended to the care he took in planting and tending to the beautiful flowers and shrubs for his wife, Joyce.

John truly loved his family. He treasured every moment as a dad, grandpa, and great grandpa, creating a legacy of love and laughter that will live on through his family. His wife of 36 years, Joyce (Jackson) Pertinaci, was the love of his life, and together they nurtured a blended family that includes three sons, John Jr., Bryan, and Jim Pertinaci, a daughter, Jill, 18 grandchildren, and 24 great-grandchildren, all of whom brought John immense joy and pride.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Betty Sparks.

A memorial service will be held a later date at the Cheswick Christian Fellowship, 1407 Pittsburgh St. Cheswick PA 15024.

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

Tribute Wall

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“ *Johnnie was my older cousin by 5 years. We spent many fun times at our grandparent's home(Elizabeth and George Sanders), his parent's home, and the First Baptist Church of Turtle Creek. Most times since we were the children, we would sit on the front porch on a swing or hammock at the grandparent's home. It seemed the aunts/uncles were on the inside talking and we did not participate on the conversations. There was always plenty of food since the aunts/uncles would bring sandwich groceries, and candies. Grandma usually had cakes or pies that she made. Since our grandparents lived to be 99 years old, we had many years of wonderful memories. I enjoyed the visits to Aunt Margaret and Uncle Johnnie's home especially at Christmas when Aunt Margaret made special Italian waffle cookies. The other bonus was Betty Marie, Johnnie's sister and family lived upstairs. Since Betty was the oldest cousin, her children (Pam, Wendy, Billy, and Barbie) were like my first cousins. Because of the legacy of faith from our grandparents, we were blessed to know that Jesus loved us and the example of our grandma's prayers for us.*

Connie Pearson - January 09 at 10:34 AM

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“ *My name is Alvin Evans, John and I were very close friends from Westinghouse to Florida and back to Pittsburgh, we always kept in touch and sent Christmas cards every year, John will surely be missed, Rest in Peace my Brother*

Alvin Evans - January 04 at 11:51 AM

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“ John was a neighbor of mine he just moved here a little over a year ago, he was a kind person when he moved here he came over and said my name is John nice to meet you and I told him my name is carol, and he told me if you ever need anything let me know so kind of a person he loved those little coffee candies so I went out and bought him 3 bag's he walked over to my house right across from his last summer I was cleaning my shed out and gave him a new coffee maker and he said he was just going to buy one because John loved his coffee he will surely be missed rest in peace
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Carol A Zenone - January 02 at 12:22 PM