



John D. Zanetti

April 30, 1943 - March 10, 2026

John D. Zanetti, age 82, of Ford City, PA.

Beloved husband of 60 years to Arlene (Kreutzer) Zanetti; loving father of Michelle D. Zanetti and her partner Ronald S. Townsend, Jr.; grandfather of Kaitlin E. (Blake W.) Stover and the late W. Colbi (Surviving, Christina M. Toy) Cousins and Broc L. Cousins; great grandfather of Maddox Cousins, Lennox Cousins, Nixon Cousins, Axyl Koster and Paxton Toy; brother of Daniel Zanetti, Jr., Robert Zanetti, Elaine Zanetti, Thomas Zanetti, William "Butch" Zanetti, Dolly Zanetti, Elizabeth "Betty" Meyers, Shirley Green and the late Evelyn Zabolski; son of the late Daniel and Helen Zanetti. He also leaves behind many loving nieces and nephews.

He was a dedicated husband and father and devoted his time to taking care of his beloved Arlene. More than anything, he loved spending time with his family and friends. His life revolved around spending time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren and being involved in their lives. Everyone looked forward to his daily calls which he rarely ever missed doing. You know who you are.

He loved fishing with his daughter, grandchildren and great grandchildren or anyone he called a friend. Come hunting season John was out in the woods chasing the big one.

John loved to cook and looked forward to family dinners with everyone around the table. And anyone that knew him knew how much he loved his food, and don't forget the sweets. Family fish fries were his favorite.

John retired from his career as the assistant director of the United Steel Workers Union (USW). He got his start at Pullman Standard in Butler, Pa. At various times in his life, he served as the mayor of Ford City, and worked as a Ford City police officer.

John was a long term member of the Latin American Club in Ford City, PA.

His funeral will be private.

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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“ *Arlene & family...*

I'm so sorry to learn of John's passing. If it weren't for our USW Int'l Employee Retiree Reunions, I would have never met John or you. I will always remember his smile. John's dedication to the USW and the labor movement leaves behind many achievements.

I hope you will find much comfort in your memories during these difficult days.

Rest in peace my brother.

*Always,
Cindy Carlson*

Cindy Carlson - March 17 at 12:24 PM



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“ *John and I shared a close and wonderful friendship for well over over 40 years. He was a fantastic person and he will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him. Heartfelt condolences to Arlene, Michelle and other loved ones. Howie Grossinger*

Howard Grossinger - March 16 at 05:06 PM

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“ *Condolences to John’s entire family. I got to know John when he served as the assistant to the director for USW District 10. Even though we lived in different parts of the country, we always found time to connect at the USW events we were at. John was always kind and a wonderful human being. May his soul rest in peace. Emil Ramirez*

Emil Ramirez - March 16 at 11:06 AM