



John Alan McElroy

October 25, 1964 - May 31, 2020

John Alan McElroy passed away at 2:21 AM on May 31, 2020 at the home of his sister, Karen Herring, in Newark, Ohio. He was born on October 25, 1964 in Zanesville, Ohio; son to the late John O. McElroy and Liz (Swinehart) Collins of Newark. John worked a variety of different manufacturing jobs during his life. His favorite pastimes are fishing, outdoors and spending time with his family, kids and grandkids. John was an avid Ohio State football fan. He was a faithful attender of the Mt. Tabor AME Church in Ocala, FL. John was a man with a big heart, always there for whomever needed him. He left a mark wherever he may have been. He will be greatly missed by all.

He is survived by his mother, Elizabeth Swinehart Collins of Newark; son, AJ (Alan Joseph) McElroy, his daughter Alayna, fiancé, Rikki, her children Navaeh, and Brantley of Lucasville, Ohio; son, Joshua McElroy (Katie) of Jackson, Ohio; son, Jacob McElroy formerly of Lucasville, now Ocala, FL; sister, Karen E. (Rick) Herring, her sons Jeremy, Zachary and Tyler Crouse of Newark; sister, Kim Bazler, her children Kayla, Chase, Brook, Becca; and sister Michele (Brad) Tipton, her sons Michael, Cole, Logan, all of Newark. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and great nieces. Donations to Hospice of Central Ohio are welcomed.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy
and peace as you trust in Him,
so that you may overflow with hope by the

power of the Holy Spirit
Romans 15:13

Tribute Wall

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“ I babysat all the McElroy kids off and on when I was in high school. John was a fun-loving, and dare I say ornery, kid. A memory of John is when we, Karen and another neighbor (Scott) were visiting neighbors who had a sow with piglets. After telling the kids NOT to go into the pen, I turn my back for a moment only to turn around again and find John in the pen being knocked down by the sow. As she was starting to claw and bite his back, the rest of us jumped in to distract her so John could get up and out of the pen. A hard way to learn a lesson, but one we surely both remembered! Godspeed, John. My sympathies to your family, siblings and mom.

Geri Rousculp - June 07, 2020 at 01:23 PM

KH

I remember this! Yep! That was John! Thanks for sharing.

Karen Herring - June 08, 2020 at 05:35 PM

JM

“ Karen, my heart goes out to you. I have so many fond memories of you, me, and John playing together as children. You guys were the best neighbors!! Give my love to your mother as well. Jenny Rousculp Miller

jenny miller - June 06, 2020 at 12:31 PM

KH

Thank you Jenny! I share those same thoughts and feelings.

Karen Herring - June 08, 2020 at 05:37 PM

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“ *Most all my memories are of when we were younger cousins, family visits, family reunions. We may not be connected in miles but I do feel a strong connection as family with much love and support. Praying the love and friendship of each of you provide comfort and support you need. Many hugs and much love to you all.*

*Your cousin,
Gayla*

Gayla McElroy Orr - June 05, 2020 at 10:00 PM

KH

Thank you Gayla.

Karen Herring - June 08, 2020 at 05:37 PM