



John Alan Barnes

August 21, 1969 - December 30, 2025

John Alan Barnes, age 56, of Cottondale, Florida, passed away on December 30, 2025.

Born August 21, 1969, in Chicago, Illinois, John is survived by his father Jimmy Barnes, mother Cynthia (James Thomas) Cooley; his sisters, Tammy (the late Daniel) Boblink and Kerri (Ed) Barnes; his brothers, David Barnes, Bill (Lynne) Barnes, and Tony (Shannon) Barnes; and many nieces and nephews.

John was extremely intelligent and could fix just about anything. He took great pride in maintaining the property, including keeping perfectly straight lines on the lawn. He was known for his sneaky sense of humor and sharp wit. His greatest love was animals, which he often preferred over people. He once worked at Balmoral Park caring for horses and, in later years, devoted himself to caring for the family pets as well as neighborhood animals in Cottondale, often buying treats for them with his own money. It was well known that John made sure the dogs were fed before he ate.

Visitation will be held at 4:00 p.m. Friday, January 9, 2026, at the Chapel of James & Lipford Funeral Home followed by a funeral service at 4:30 p.m. at the Chapel of James & Lipford Funeral Home. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations to The Humane Society of Bay County are appreciated.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 9. 4:00 PM (CT)

James & Lipford Funeral Home
5390 Cotton Street
Graceville, FL 32440
(850) 263-3238
<https://www.jamesandlipford.com>

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ John was so Special, I got to know him when I helped Charles and Ida Cooley around their home. John lived next door and was always ready to help me do anything and he did help! Always so nice and polite and Thankful for anything you gave him! Rest John, we loved you!

Linda Cain - January 06 at 01:25 PM

CW

“ Dear Tammy and Family,

I am so sorry for your loss. As Tammy knows I have lost a brother also and I do know the pain of losing a sibling. I pray for peace and comfort for all of you.

Sincerely,

Cathy Weber

Cathy Weber - January 06 at 11:26 AM

GP

“ Tammy, Prayers and thoughts to you and your family at this time of loss.



Glenda Piltz - January 06 at 11:16 AM

KA

“ *Karina sent a virtual gift in memory of John Barnes*



Karina - January 06 at 11:06 AM