



John B. Medina

June 23, 1956 - October 3, 2024

John B. Medina, 68 of Lancaster passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, October 3, 2024. Born in Ponce, Puerto Rico on June 23, 1956, he was the son of the late Felipe Vargas and Lydia Leon. John was the husband of Maria M. Ortiz Medina with whom he married in September of 1979.

John was a hard worker who ensured that his family was taken care of. John worked for many years for the J. Walter Miller Foundry. He owned and operated Medina's Auto Shop on Ranck Mill Road during the 1980's and 1990's. He went on to do clean outs for a local realtor and was a self-employed painter.

John enjoyed camping, boating and fishing. He enjoyed spending family time at their property near Raystown Lake. John was a quick wit man who always enjoyed joking around or pulling pranks on others. He enjoyed watching WWE and MMA. He never lost his love for cars or working on them.

John will be deeply missed by his wife, Maria Medina; his son, Carlos, husband of Stephanie Medina of Columbia and his daughter, Minerva, wife of Amando Virata of York. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Jasmin, Darius, Christopher and Jayden and 4 great grandchildren. John is survived by his brothers, Miguel, husband of Michelle Torres of Lancaster and Luis Medina of Lancaster and his sister, Maria Taylor of Lebanon. He was

preceded in death by his brothers, Angel Medina, Felix Torres, Samuel Morales and Carlos Medina and his sisters, Carmen Medina, Ana Harnish, Georgina Medina and Anna Medina.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend John's funeral service on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at 2PM with Pastor Roberto Figueroa officiating from the Melanie B. Scheid Funeral Directors & Cremation Services, 317 E. Orange Street, Lancaster. Friends will be received at the funeral home on Wednesday, October 9, 2024 from 6 to 8PM and on Thursday from 1 to 2PM. Interment will be held in the Mellinger's Mennonite Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Mellinger's Mennonite Cemetery

Lancaster, PA

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **9**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Melanie B. Scheid Funeral Directors & Cremation Services
317 E. Orange Street
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Visitation

OCT **10**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

OCT **10**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AO

“ Dear John,
We never but, but your sister, Maria Teresa Medina Lucena Taylor spoke of you often many years ago. As well as your sister, Ana Lydia Medina Harnish (RIP Ana). I would like to offer my deepest condolences to your wife, Maria and surviving family members. From what I have read in the obituaries and from your two sisters, you certainly were a tower of a human being and an inspirational man for your family, friends and loved ones. Best wishes to your wife, Maria and family. Rest in Peace, John. I am certain your family in Heaven welcomed you with open arms; I am sure Ana did! Warms Respect,
Alex Ortiz

Alex Ortiz - October 29, 2024 at 11:46 PM

AR

“ My condolences to the Medina Family wow this is a shock I go way back with the family John was a great guy and will b missed ,R.I.P. my friend ,
Love Tuco Angel Ruiz

Angel Ruiz - October 09, 2024 at 01:11 PM

AT

“ Ascendance Trucks purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of John B. Medina.



Ascendance Trucks - October 09, 2024 at 10:46 AM

AT

“ Ascendance Trucks planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John B. Medina.

Ascendance Trucks - October 09, 2024 at 10:46 AM

OF

“ I knew john since i was born he's like family to me my brother and dad may god take care of him and may he keep buying new horn sounds for his jeep and Dunkin' Donuts in the morning! Rip john I never thought I had to say this so soon but rip john lay soft❤️



Olivia Faus - October 08, 2024 at 08:57 PM

VF

“ Victor & Kelly Harvey and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John B. Medina.



Victor & Kelly Harvey and Family - October 08, 2024 at 03:53 PM

JL

“ Rest in peace cuz, sorry to hear you went this young . I know we didnt hang out like rest of the fam but u was 1 of the few from our family tree that actually did it the right way from waaaay back so definitely hats off and know your wife n kids missing you the most right bout now. And yeah rest of your family also even if from long distance or clise by. Rest in peace once again cuz

john león - October 07, 2024 at 11:55 PM

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“Mr. Mike” and Cabrera family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of John B. Medina.



“Mr. Mike” and Cabrera family - October 07, 2024 at 11:07 AM

IB

“My oldest memory was the great trips we took with medina as kids to Ocean city and blue marsh. He was a Comical, fun and loving guy. I hadn't seen him in years and saw him 2 years ago for the first time at Dunkin donuts, and asked if he remembered me. We sat and talked for a while and he said to invite us up to his camp site. My family had a great time with him and Maria. I am so happy we got to meet at Dunkin a few more times and have the conversations and memories. We will miss him greatly.



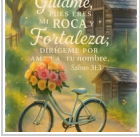
IRIS (MONTANEZ) BOWERS - October 07, 2024 at 06:57 AM

MW

“My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. He will be missed. We always had fun going camping. Thanks for the memories. R.I.P. Sincerely Michele Waltman



Michele Waltman - October 06, 2024 at 09:05 AM



“ To Carlos Maria and Minerva our Condolences to you al. Medina will truly be missed. He was a great friend of our dad and of all of us. We loved when he would come and visit us and when he would invite all of us to enjoy the summer with your family we have great childhood memories well spent with him and all of you. Praying that God strengthen you all during this time and bring peace to all . Love yous. Our hearts go out to you. Love Rosa Montanez Martinez and Fmily Montanez Eduardo and Nereida Montanez.

Rosa M N Daughters - October 05, 2024 at 07:22 PM



“ *I am still in shock and can't believe I am writing this-Uncle Johnny you truly will be missed.*

He was an amazing man—hardworking, loving, and selflessly dedicated to his family. Uncle Johnny wasn't just my dad's brother; he was his best friend, and they shared a bond that will forever be cherished.

I have so many beautiful memories with him, my Titi Maria, and my cousins. Uncle Johnny introduced me to the love of the water, teaching me to ride his boat and drive his jet skis. His sense of humor always stood out, especially when he'd fix up houses—somehow always semi-finished—living in them with pride. I admired how hard he worked, providing for his family, and I'm grateful for the life lessons he taught me, especially the value of hard work.

Some of my fondest memories are of Uncle Johnny taking my dad and me along to clean houses. He showed me what it means to show up for family, always stepping in to help when my parents faced challenges. And who could forget our Burger King runs, where he'd claim all the fries at the bottom of the bag! He was the one who got me my first car at 16, and with Titi Maria, they taught me to make flan and avena, which I'll never forget.

Uncle Johnny leaves behind a legacy of love, generosity, and an example of what it means to put family first. I'll miss our camping trips, watching him work on projects, hearing his stories, and regret the times life got busy, and I didn't see him as often as I wanted. I hoped to see him retire and enjoy his land with Titi, surrounded by family.

Thank you, Uncle Johnny, for everything you've done for each and every one of us. I love you.

*With love and gratitude,
Katelyn Medina-Montañez*

Katelyn Montañez - October 05, 2024 at 04:10 PM

DA

“ *I am going to miss call him every day*

Debbie Adams - October 05, 2024 at 02:56 PM

DA

“ *I am going miss my best friend. He was awesome guy to hang around with.i am having hard time. Love you maria*

Debbie Adams - October 05, 2024 at 02:54 PM

CF

“ *I remember meeting John when I was 5 yrs old my mom and my brother and I was walking and he stopped and asked us if we needed a ride and ever since then we became family after 25 yrs my heart is broken we lost a great loving man I will miss painting with you I will miss the good times we had I loved you as a family friend man I love you so much you will never be forgotten.
Love Cody*

Cody Foreman - October 05, 2024 at 02:09 PM

JP

“ This loss truly hurts my heart... Uncle Johnny was genuinely my favorite uncle. Nearly all of my best childhood memories involved him. He was a man of few words, but so funny (and sarcastic), yet extremely generous!

As a young girl I watched how he looked out for his little sister (my mother Ana) by not only providing a vehicle for her, but fixing it any time she had a mechanical issue. When she needed to work through some personal issues, he & Titi Maria graciously allowed me to stay an entire summer at their house and cared for me like their very own. During that time I NEVER ONCE heard him yell, but watched how his presence commanded (not demanded) respect. We shared a love of WWF wrestling and watching the matches were SO MUCH BETTER on his ridiculous big screen TV!

Uncle Johnny worked hard but he played hard too, and on weekends he would RANDOMLY take us places. He would literally make an announcement that we're going out so pack a bag, and we would just go! That particular weekend we ended up in Atlantic City... just because he could! But probably the coolest memory is when he looked at me and asked, "Jenny, have you ever been on a plane?" Of course the answer was no, so he took us on a mini-trip to the Lancaster Airport for a private plane ride!!! WHO DOES THAT?!? Uncle Johnny does and that was only the tip of the iceberg! Camping, boating, water skiing, jet skis, and let's not forget the first ever hydraulic truck to cruise the streets of Lancaster City! Uncle Johnny WAS A LEGEND!!! Sure, we probably could have used a bit more safety equipment and instructional videos before doing half that stuff, but Uncle Johnny knew that trial & error only builds character, and none of us were ever "really" injured... at least not seriously.

Uncle Johnny loved life, he loved his family, and he KNEW how to bring our family together with fun!!! In all sincerity, Uncle Johnny modeled for ALL OF US that with grit, hard work, and determination... business ownership and financial success was

more than just a pipe dream... IT WAS POSSIBLE!!! I believe he hoped that his example would cause us to GO FOR IT! I believe he hoped that someday his ceiling would be our floor! And today, so many of us are experiencing success because of his trailblazing example.

My biggest regret...

Is not having the opportunity to tell him this personally, but I pray this tribute brings a smile and comfort to you; Titi Maria, Minnie & Carlos, and all you grandkids... Your Dad was the real-deal and a TRUE PATRIARCH of the Medina family! May his humor, generosity, and entrepreneurial spirit live on in each one of you!

*With all my love, honor & respect,
Jenny
(Janet Medina-Rosas Pearson)*

Janet Pearson - October 05, 2024 at 01:53 PM



“ *I have know John for several years, but feels like a life time. John was a huge role model of mine more so of a father figure. His daily jokes and personality made him who he was, no matter what it was he would always offer a helping hand. Reminded you daily that he took karate classes. My heart and prayers go out to his family. God took an amazing man home.*



David Faus - October 05, 2024 at 12:21 PM

EL

“ *May God wipe away every tear from your eyes and comfort you during this time of grieving for the loss of your loved one. Eleanor*

Eleanor - October 05, 2024 at 11:04 AM