



## John Phillip Sanders

December 4, 1964 - March 5, 2021

John Phillip Sanders passed away in his home on Friday, March 5, 2021 at the young age of 56. He was a native of Lake Charles, LA and a resident of Kenner, LA for the past 23 years.

Beloved husband of Cassandra Ann Sanders. Loving father of Trista (Simon), Jeremy (Angie), Matthew, Phillip, Caroline, and William. Proud grandfather of Kirby Sanders Alleman and Sky Vincent Sanders. Devoted son of Leticia Pilola Sanders and Raymond Edwin Sanders, Jr. Older brother of Margaret (Rocko) Brocato, Donna (Rod) Hanks, Jason (Kristin) Sanders, and Roger (Melanie) Sanders. Also survived by aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and in-laws, Carl and Doreen Stinchcomb.

John graduated from LaGrange High school in 1982. He proudly served in the US Army until 1992 ranked as a SPC E4. He worked as an insurance agent at T.W.F.G. in New Orleans. He was a member and greeter of Celebration Church in Kenner, LA. Growing up, he loved to hunt and fish with his Dad and brothers sharing these childhood memories often and vividly. Racquetball was his all-time favorite sport. He used strategy and strength on the court to place the ball right where he wanted. He cherished the lifelong friendships he built on the court. He was an avid sports fan who yelled at the tv during many Saints and college football games. He was also an aficionado of horrible movies, a reader of thousands of books, and loved all range of music from Pavarotti to Rascal Flatts and everything in between. He passed his love of music on to all his children. You would also see him picking up pennies

whenever he saw one. It would give him the opportunity to share the Penny story and be a disciple to others. Stamped on each penny is "in God we trust". The story goes "It is as if God has dropped a message into my pathway and He wants to remind me to keep my trust in Him." He thoroughly enjoyed cooking and he was great at it. His gravy, gumbo, egg rolls, and pecan pies were unparalleled. And often, after supper, a piece of pie with a scoop of vanilla ice cream would magically appear over your shoulder without you even having to ask for it. He genuinely loved to serve. It was how he best demonstrated his love for others. He accepted Jesus Christ into his heart and his faith was exemplified through his service and love. He served as a Galatas football, basketball, and baseball coach mentoring many, many young men who would still drop in to pay him a visit. John was the best listener who gave the tightest bear hugs. He was funny and when he laughed, his smile would light up the universe. He loved his Lord, his wife and children, his family, friends and colleagues, and even strangers. It came so naturally, freely, and unconditionally. Go rest now, good and faithful servant. Be our angel and keep watching over us.

On Thursday, March 11th, 2021, two Celebration of Life services will be held in his home at 35 Antigua Drive, Kenner, LA 70065. Family only from 1-2; Friends are invited to attend from 2-4.

A full military service will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Celebration Church's "Accomplish the Vision" fund in John's name. These funds will go towards the Youth Outreach Center in Kenner.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAR 11. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Home  
35 Antigua Drive  
Kenner, LA 70065

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Phillip Sanders*

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM



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**Liza Gorin** - March 12, 2021 at 02:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Phillip Sanders.*



March 11, 2021 at 09:10 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Phillip Sanders.*



March 10, 2021 at 06:50 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of John Phillip Sanders.*



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March 09, 2021 at 07:37 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of John Phillip Sanders.*



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March 09, 2021 at 07:09 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of John Phillip Sanders.*



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March 09, 2021 at 07:02 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Phillip Sanders.*



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March 09, 2021 at 05:57 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Phillip Sanders.*



March 09, 2021 at 05:42 PM



“ *Donna J Brown lit a candle in memory of John Phillip Sanders*



**Donna J Brown** - March 09, 2021 at 05:32 PM



*Cassie and family, may our heavenly father give you his precious peace during this very difficult time. I love ya'll and am praying for ya'll.*

**Donna J Brown** - March 09, 2021 at 05:35 PM



*John will forever be alive in our spirit because his spirit is so strong! Remember that he touches many lives still*

**mary ann smith** - March 09, 2021 at 05:44 PM



*Go RIP my dear friend, you were a big brother to me, I will never be able to repay you for all you have done. Until we see each other again, go rest high on that Mountain, your work on earth is done. 🙏🙏🙏*

**Charles Jay Strange** - March 09, 2021 at 11:28 PM

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**Charles Jay Strange** - March 09, 2021 at 11:28 PM

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*There are few people in the world like John. John was one of a kind. A person of faith, a person of character, a great friend, but most of all a man who dearly loved his wife and kids. I served with John, went camping with John (several times), and always relished every moment we spent together. There will never be another "Sandbo." You will be missed my brother. Cassie, my prayers are with you and the kids that our heavenly Father will hold you in the palm of his hand.*

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**David Landreneau** - March 11, 2021 at 08:57 AM