



## John William Gabridge

July 19, 1943 - October 17, 2009

John William Gabridge

66, of Richmond, passed away Saturday, October 17, 2009 at Mt. Clemens Regional General Hospital.

He was born July 19, 1943, in Detroit, the son of the late Stanley and Mary (Laska) Gabridge.

His marriage to Christine Koperski was August 11, 1973 in Detroit.

John served his country in the United States Army from 1968 thru 1970 during the Vietnam conflict. He was a member and past board member of SMACNA, a former member of Local #80 Sheet Metal Workers Union and was co-owner and operator of Curbs and Dampers of Roseville. John liked to hunt and travel, enjoyed spending time at his family cottage in Traverse City and loved road trips with his boys.

Surviving in addition to Christine, his wife of 36 years, are four sons and daughters-in-law, Richard (Dawn) of Richmond, Jon (Jill) of Richmond, Jason (Angela) of Grosse Pointe Woods, and Jeremy (Megan) Gabridge of Richmond Township; eight grandchildren; a brother Stanley Gabridge of Richmond; a sister, Rosemary Matuszak of New Mexico; as well as several nieces, nephews and friends.

His family honors the memory of John and invites you to visit and share Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. at St. Augustine Catholic Church, Richmond with Rite of Christian Burial to follow at 11:00 a.m. Fr. Joseph Plawecki will officiate. Entombment will be in Richmond Cemetery Mausoleum. Arrangements by

Kaatz Funeral Directors, Richmond.

Memorials are suggested to American Lung Association.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Augustine Catholic Church  
68035 Main Street  
Richmond, MI

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Little Christine. I am so sorry to hear about your loss and I just had to say, thank you for sharing your husband . He was a joy to know and as his room was across from Mom I got to see him daily. He was always smiling and his greetings were always with a winkle in his eye. He taught me that you don't have to eat veggies and that you can laugh just about anything.  
The world is a little sadder today but I bet heaven is a happier place.##imported-begin##John & Judi Rhoades##imported-end##

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October 20, 2009 at 07:41 PM



“ My deepest sympathies go out to the Gabridge Family. Mr. Gabridge was a fine man and a great friend to our family. He will be dearly missed.##imported-begin##Pete Ruthenberg##imported-end##

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October 19, 2009 at 10:20 AM



“ Dear family members, so sorry to hear about the passing of John. We all as a human race are familiar with the pain that occurs when the enemy death strikes. The holy writings holds out a hope for us at Revelation 21:3,4 it says, "he will wipe away the tears of sorrow from our eyes forever and death will be no more." Also at Psalms 46:9 it promises us that Jehovah is "going to make wars to cease". Although the pain you are feeling are not removed, I hope that knowing that our Creator cares about us and will undo the ill-effects that we suffer will be of comfort to you. If you would welcome more encouraging information go to [www.watchtower.org](http://www.watchtower.org)##imported-begin##Nikki Thomas##imported-end##

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October 19, 2009 at 07:48 AM



“ Miss you already, Pop. Jay ran his first half-marathon in under 2 hours today, all in your honour.##imported-begin##Angela & Jason Gabridge##imported-end##

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October 18, 2009 at 08:02 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to all of John's family. John was one of the nicest people I have ever met and had the pleasure of doing business with.(Digging of pond for John and his brother Stan.) May God bless and comfort all of you.

Tony Manchik##imported-begin##Tony and Bev Manchik##imported-end##

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October 18, 2009 at 12:38 PM