



## John Kendall

April 28, 1956 - April 26, 2021

John David Kendall, 64, Topeka, Kansas, passed away on Monday, April 26, 2021.

John was born April 28, 1956, in Topeka, the son of Dick and Paula Humbert Kendall. He graduated from Seaman High School in 1974. John married Sandy Purdy on March 20, 1975, in Topeka. He was a CAD operator and had a passion for designing cabinets for museums all over the world. John had fond memories of sailing on Lake Shawnee. He was a member of the Masons. John was a great husband and father and a fantastic grandfather. He had a love for his family and his idea of a vacation was getting to be at home with them.

John is survived by his wife, Sandy; children, David Kendall (Miranda) and JAK Kendall; grandchildren, Sky and Grace; father, Dick; siblings, Mike Kendall (Janet), Tom Kendall (Janice), Chris Kendall (Anna), Kerry Graf (Ted); nine nieces; 12 nephews; six great-nieces; and 5 great-nephews.

Family will greet friends 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 30, 2021, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Due to the pandemic, masks and social distance are required.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions be made to a charity of your choice and sent in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online to [www.kevinbrennanfamily.com](http://www.kevinbrennanfamily.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

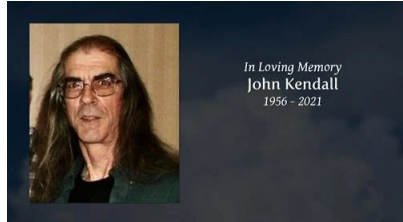
APR **30**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Kendall



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - April 29, 2021 at 04:31 PM



“ John Kendall

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ Sandy I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family to ease the pain.

Paulette Williamson - May 01, 2021 at 09:02 PM



“ Sandy and family, please know you are in our thoughts and prayers, John was one if the GOOD guy's si kind and gentle. ...peace, love and smiles 🍷💕💕💕🙏🙏🙏

Jeff and Gwen Mayer - April 30, 2021 at 11:20 AM



John was one of the good guys so kind and gentle

Jeff and Gwen Mayer - April 30, 2021 at 11:45 AM

JM

“ So many memories of John since we met in the 8th grade. Creative, kind and funny, John was a big part of my life back in the day. RIP JK

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**Jan Morgan** - April 29, 2021 at 08:10 PM

AA

“ Dearest Kendall family,  
I was so sorry to hear about John's passing. May the lifetime of fond memories bring you comfort.

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**Amy Apitz** - April 29, 2021 at 07:03 PM

VC

“ Sandy and family,  
I am so sorry to hear of John's passing. No words can help at this time but I hope the many years of wonderful memories will sustain you all during this difficult time and all the days ahead.  
John was a classmate at Seaman High School and while we didn't hang in school, like everyone else, I knew him and counted him as a friend. In years since his friendly smile at reunions was always a welcoming site! I always enjoyed seeing him and getting to know you.  
May you find solace knowing his kind soul is resting in love and peace. My prayers are with you and your family.

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**Vicki Boaz Coulter** - April 29, 2021 at 03:03 PM

MW

“ Sandy and Kendall family; So sorry to see John has passed away. He was a very caring and gentle person and you both are one of my oldest friends whom I have known for about 50 years. I remember when I was married to Chris and I would come over several times a week and we would play board games and just talk. I have also enjoyed staying connected through our Christmas cards and looking forward to them every year and what was going on with the family. Condolence to the Kendall Family.

Marcia (Hansford) White - April 29, 2021 at 01:14 PM

SC

“ Sandy and Kendall family my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. John was a kind soul and it was so nice to see him again at our last reunion. As others, I wasn't aware that he was ill. May God look over your family and John. RIP John, you will be missed!

sherri Cook - April 29, 2021 at 10:43 AM

CI

“ Dear Kendall Family, you are thought of at this difficult time. I will miss seeing John and you too Sandy. Feeling your pain of losing a husband, father, grandfather, brother and son. Hugs being sent your way. Cindy Nelson Giessel

Cindy - April 29, 2021 at 09:38 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Kendall.



April 29, 2021 at 09:18 AM

DG

“ When Mark and heard this we were shocked John was our best man in our wedding he was a soft spoken caring man so many memories good memories rest in peace John. Sandy and family our hearts and prayers are with you during the time

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**Donna and Mark Gibson** - April 29, 2021 at 12:20 AM

DF

“ Sandy, David, JAK, and family. I'm sorry for the loss of John. A quiet man, he was always quite interesting to me as a young boy. I always thought he appeared to be much wiser than his words he rarely ever spoke. I considered him a thoughtful man and kind hearted. Your family was truly a blessing to me and I enjoyed those years when we were neighbors. I remember most how the legos were spread all over the place, and we would have hours of fun. I pray that through this challenging time you would be able to find comfort and peace.

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**Dustin Fluke** - April 28, 2021 at 07:56 PM

BB

“ John was a great friend and classmate. I have many great memories of our high school years and after.

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**Brad Broadbent** - April 28, 2021 at 07:43 PM

KM

“ I have known John since I was 10 years old when my family moved out north into “the neighborhood “. Like Ann said, John was a kind and gentle soul. He was my neighbor, my classmate, and a friend. It was the best neighborhood to grow up in. So many families with kids. There were the Kendalls, the Apitzs, the Paters, the Essmans, my brother and I. Others too. We had so much fun playing baseball or whatever game outside every night until dark. All the yards kinda ran together, no fences. We had so much fun together. I also remember hanging out at the Kendall house with Ann and her sisters. We liked talking to John’s mom Paula and playing with his beautiful little sister Carey. Paula would load up all us kids in an old bus (school?), and take us to lake perry swimming beach many times. Quite the adventures! Those were different times of course. I was shocked and saddened hearing of John’s passing. Didn’t know he was even ill. My heartfelt sympathy goes out to all the Kendall family. Rest in peace John.

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**Kim Turner McCoy** - April 28, 2021 at 07:16 PM

AA

“ Dear Kendall family, my thoughts are with you at such a difficult time.  
I also attended North Fairview Elementary School with John. He was always a kind and gentle soul.  
We all could always count on him to be fair and good at whatever game we had going on in our neighborhood field. He was frequently chosen first for a team and --me, closer to the end of the team-choosing list.  
I always felt such joy upon seeing John's face at the high school reunions, due to his warm smile and kind words. Upon meeting John at a reunion, my husband's words were, "your friend John seems like such a nice guy."  
Moving forward there will be excruciatingly tough times, keep all your special memories in your thoughts. Love to all of you. Ann

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**Anna Apitz** - April 28, 2021 at 04:42 PM

DL

“ April 28, 2021

*I went to N.Fairview with John and he was a great friend. I taught him to play chess at recess. While I was pitching in a Cosmos baseball game , John (1st base) called timeout ,came over and whispered , " Jabber ,jabber,jabber." I 've missed John for a long time. Monday night ,however, John and Mark Reed were in my dream. Now ,I think it might have been real. I have to believe that everyone who knew him was better for it Rest easy ,old friend.*  
*Dan Luthye*  
*Classmate*

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**Daniel J Luthye** - April 28, 2021 at 02:10 PM

AA

*Daniel thank fr sharing your story of John*

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**Anna Apitz** - April 28, 2021 at 03:59 PM

PK

“ *Sandy and family ~ We are so sorry to learn of John's passing. Please know that we are thinking of you and wishing you strength. Brad and Pam Kemper*

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**Pam Kemper** - April 28, 2021 at 01:49 PM

LD

“ *Sandy and family,*  
*John was such a kind and gentle man. He will be greatly missed by all! Love and payers to all.*  
*Laura Danielson*

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**Laura Danielson** - April 28, 2021 at 12:45 PM

CT

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Sending love and prayers.

Mary Adkins

Charleen Tyson & family

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**Charleen Tyson** - April 28, 2021 at 10:18 AM

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“ Sandy and family,  
Please know that you are in the thoughts and prayers of John's classmates and friends during this difficult time. He was a kind and gentle soul and will be missed by all that knew him.

Seaman High School Class of 1974

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**Seaman High School Class of 1974** - April 28, 2021 at 09:59 AM

RC

“ Mike and family,

Please accept my condolences.

Russell (Sonny) Cutright

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**Russell (Sonny) Cutright** - April 28, 2021 at 08:30 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Kendall.



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April 27, 2021 at 05:45 PM