



John W. Arndt

October 12, 1946 - June 10, 2025

Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m. Monday, June 30, 2025, at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Richmond, MN for John W. Arndt, age 78, who died June 10, 2025, at his home surrounded by his family. Inurnment will be in St. John's Abbey Cemetery, Collegetown, MN. The service will be live streamed at www.christcatholic.com.

The visitation will be from 9:00-10:45 a.m. Monday in the church gathering space.

John was born in New Ulm, MN to Vernon and Rose (Wilson) Arndt. He married Ann Huelskamp February 19, 1966, in Church of St. George, St. George, MN. At just 21 years old, John was called to active duty. He served honorably in the Vietnam war from 1968-1969 as part of the 452nd General Supply Company.

John was an avid outdoorsman and tremendous mentor to his children and grandchildren. He took this love of the outdoors and grew a sporting goods business as the owner/operator of Channel Marine and Sports, previously Richmond Marine and Sports in Richmond, MN. John was a member of the American Legion, VFW, Ducks Unlimited, and Paynesville Sportsman Club.

He is survived by his wife, Ann; children, Peggy (Robert) Kelly; Jon Arndt,

Stacy (Derek) Penk, Amy (John) Fedie; siblings, Mona (Don) Klassen, Mary (Warren) Bohlmann, Tricia (Greg) Nelson; Nancy (John) Zaczkowski, James (Leona) Arndt, in-laws, Michael (Cindy) Huelskamp, Claudine Huelskamp; grandchildren, RJ (Alyssa) Kelly, Connor Kelly, Clare Kelly, Maeve Kelly, Kennedy Penk, Bryce Penk, Brett Penk, Will Fedie, Grant Fedie, Rose Fedie and great-grandson, Patrick Kelly; many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Michael Arndt; brother-in-law, John Huelskamp.

A special thank you to CentraCare Hopsice for the wonderful care of John.

Memorials are preferred to Vietnam Veteran Memorial Fund at www.vvmf.org.

Cemetery Details

St. John Abbey Catholic Cemetery

2950 St John's Rd,
Collegeville, MN 56321

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

Sts. Peter & Paul Gathering Space
110 Central Ave.
Richmond, MN 56368

Mass

JUN 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

Sts Peter & Paul Catholic church
110 central ave n
richmond, mn 56368

Tribute Wall

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“ Sending condolences and love to John's family at this sad time. I always think of him as "Johnny"....and remember him as being so kind, caring and fun. He and Ann were also high school classmates, and it was wonderful to witness the courtship of 2 very special people. I cherish childhood memories of time spent with the Arndt cousins and Sonny and Rose.

Toni Arndt Mullarkey

Toni Arndt Mullarkey - June 30, 2025 at 05:25 PM

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“ Some of my best childhood memories were created at Uncle John and Aunt Ann's house where we had the privilege to park our camper for so many summers! he patiently took us fishing and pulled us behind boats to ski and tube, and jet ski! cards and fires by night, gentle discipline when we needed, and many great meals shared! you are forever part of the fabric of who I am and I am so grateful you were part of my life! we will all love you forever!! Rest easy Uncle John❤️

crista bohlmann - June 26, 2025 at 09:45 PM

MB

“ John was a long-time member of the Board of Directors at the bank I worked at. He would always stop at my desk to say "hello" and ask me how life was going. He was so kind to me, and an amiable person. I will always remember the positive way he made me feel. Peace to his family ... especially Anne and Jon, Jr. My sincere sympathy, Melanie Braunberger

Melanie Braunberger - June 14, 2025 at 06:15 PM

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“ Even though time and distance have separated us, the memories of "Johnny" and all of the Arndts brings back great memories. The Arndts were like siblings to me when I was a young boy. I'm sorry to hear of his passing. May happy memories bring you all some measure of peace!

Love to You All!

Bill Raabe

Bill Raabe - June 13, 2025 at 01:08 PM



“ In the most positive sense of the word, John Arndt was a man, someone we could all admire. He was kind and caring, strong and proud. He stood by his loved ones and he will be greatly missed.

Donny Klassen - June 13, 2025 at 07:32 AM

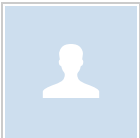
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“ Condolences to the entire family. Blessed to have the privilege to spend time with John and his wonderful family. Honored. What a kind man and will be missed.

Love, hugs and prayers heading to the Arndt family.

Chris, Nancy, Nick, Will, JJ Holloway

Chris Holloway - June 12, 2025 at 09:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John W. Arndt.

June 12, 2025 at 07:11 AM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of John W. Arndt.



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“ Timothy & Gail Meland planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John W. Arndt.

Timothy & Gail Meland - June 11, 2025 at 09:36 PM



“ Timothy & Gail Meland purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of John W. Arndt.



Timothy & Gail Meland - June 11, 2025 at 09:36 PM



“ my love to the Arndt family. So many wonderful memories from growing up around all Johnny's siblings. Amazing love and lots of fun. Memories are wonderful things. Sympathy and love from Kathy(Raabe) Vanisacker

KathyRaabe Vanisacker - June 11, 2025 at 09:27 PM