



## John Deters

February 8, 1955 - August 6, 2017

John Aloys Deters, age 62, of St. Clement passed away August 6, 2017 at his home in St. Clement.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11am on Saturday, August 12, 2017 at the St. Clement Catholic Church with Fr. Jason Doke officiating. Burial will be in the St. Clement Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 3:00pm until 8:00pm on Friday, August 11, 2017 at the Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green. Rosary at 7pm.

John was born February 8, 1955 in Louisiana, MO, the son of Aloys Anthony Deters and Betty Jon Morris Deters. He married Carol Ann Sunn of St. Louis at St. Clement Catholic Church on July 21, 1979. She survives. Other survivors include daughters, Nicole Deters of Columbia (Adam); Melinda “Lindy” Ankelman (Caleb) of St. Clement; Jonelle Deters of St. Clement; three grandchildren, Bristol, Keelan, and Leighton Ankelman; brothers, Steve Deters, Tom Deters (Jessica), sister Lois VanBoening (Mike), sister-in-law Mary Scherder (Gary). He also is survived by several nieces, nephews, and many “favorite” cousins.

John lived all his life in St. Clement attending St. Clement Church. Growing up, John was involved in the Busy Bee Hustlers 4-H Club, Knights of Columbus Squires, Bowling Green FFA, worked on the family farm,

participated in tractor pulls, and played on the Goose Hill baseball team. John attended University of Missouri, Columbia in 1973. He worked at Harbison-Walker Refractories for 10 years and worked as a farmhand for various farmers.

In 1987, he and his wife Carol started Deters Sign Co. which she continues to operate. In May 2013, John and Carol purchased Johnny Diamond's Sports Bar & Grill. He was a devoted member of the community and active in various clubs and organizations. John served in the Lion's Club for 13 years. He served in roles of Tale Twister, Secretary, Vice-President and President. He also served roles of 2nd VDG, 1st VDG, and District Governor in District 26-M3. He was honored and awarded the Melvin Jones Award 2015 & 2017 and Lion of the Year 2015 & 2016. He was a member of The Elks- Lodge 791 for 15 years and held roles of Esquire and Chair of Lecturing Knight, and won the "Past Officer of the Year" award. John was a lifelong member of the Knights of Columbus Council 1928 and served as Recorder and 4th Degree member. He was member of the Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce for 30 years and served as President of the Chamber as well as holding other offices John also served on the Trimble House Board.

John's passion was playing cards. He was honored to become a member of the "Thursday Night Poker Group" of which his grandfather had been a member. He loved being on his farm. He also enjoyed taking family vacations and traveling. Most of all, he enjoyed spending time with family. His grandkids held a special place in his heart.

Pallbearers will be Tom Deters, Lyle Morris, Martin Luebrecht, Mike VanBoening, Gary Scherder, Tex Williams. Honorary pallbearers will be Jerome Luebrecht, Kenny Scherder, Joe Foster, Craig Lehman, Bruce Dugan, Tharran Gaines, and Don Shelhammer.

Memorials may be made to any of the following: John Deters Memorial Fund to help with medical expenses, St. Clement Catholic School, or Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF).



# Cemetery Details

## St. Clement Cemetery

St. Clement, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 11. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC - Bowling Green  
606 West Main Street  
Bowling Green, MO 63334  
(573) 324-2211  
office@bibbveach.com  
<https://www.bibbveach.com/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Clement Catholic Church  
21509 Hwy 161  
Bowling Green, MO 63334  
<http://www.stclementmo.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC created a Tribute Video in memory of John Deters*



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**Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's, LLC.** - August 11, 2017 at 07:44 PM



“ *Carol - words cannot express the sadness I feel for you and your family. I know you and John had many wonderful years together and there will always be an empty space in your heart but you have proven you are a strong person and I know you will find the strength to carry on as John would have wanted. You are surrounded by wonderful friends and family who love you and will always be there for you and your girls helping you through this. Stay strong and know I am thinking of you during this painful time. It looks like you are going to be overloaded with flowers so I plan to send you a special package after the service so know that on Saturday I am there with you in spirit and will be thinking of you.*



*Love you!  
Cindy Operschall*

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**Cindy Operschall** - August 11, 2017 at 11:49 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Deters.*



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August 11, 2017 at 11:28 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Deters.*



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August 11, 2017 at 10:17 AM



“ *Love, Patricia and Eli Ankelman purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of John Deters.*



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**Love, Patricia and Eli Ankelman** - August 11, 2017 at 10:15 AM



“ *Alesia Poindexter lit a candle in memory of John Deters*



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**Alesia Poindexter** - August 11, 2017 at 10:14 AM

WF

“ *WAYNE&JUDY and the entire wendel family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of John Deters.*



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**WAYNE&JUDY and the entire wendel family** - August 10, 2017  
at 04:22 AM



“ *117 files added to the album LifeTributes*



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**Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's, LLC.** - August 09, 2017 at 06:54 PM



“ *Norma Wills purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of John Deters.*



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**Norma Wills** - August 09, 2017 at 02:35 PM

AJ

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Aunt Jean - August 09, 2017 at 12:58 PM

AJ

*We had a memorable day with members of the family at our Harris Family Reunion, June 24, 2017. We are especially thankful John and his family shared the day with us. He lived a truly blessed long, rich, and fulfilling life surrounded by family and friends he loved and who loved him ... making a living for his family doing work he loved ... and participating and leading community organizations. He will live on through the many people he touched. Our love and condolences to his family,*

*The California Harris Family, Aunt Jean and family*

Aunt Jean - August 09, 2017 at 01:10 PM



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



August 09, 2017 at 09:49 AM



“ Garden Accent Stone - “It Broke My Heart to Lose You” was purchased for the family of John Deters.



August 08, 2017 at 02:09 AM

SW

“ *Sonia Weimer lit a candle in memory of John Deters*



sonia weimer - August 08, 2017 at 01:24 AM

CC

“ *Carolyn Clark lit a candle in memory of John Deters*



Carolyn Clark - August 07, 2017 at 10:27 PM

JH

“ *Carol, You and John have always been family to me and mine! The loss of this man, your husband, your friend, the father of your beautiful girls, grand-daddy to those precious little ones, just cuts to the core, I know! Every time he greeted me, it was always with a smile and I know that happened for everyone he met. You all have my deepest sympathy, love and prayers. I'm always just a phone call away!! Love, Joyce*

Joyce Hummel - August 07, 2017 at 09:36 PM

KO

“ *Kathy Orf lit a candle in memory of John Deters*



Kathy Orf - August 07, 2017 at 09:22 PM

EK

“ My most sincere sympathy to Carol and all of the family. Past District Governor Lion John was a great person and will be missed by all that knew him. I first met him when I was District Governor and John was the secretary of his Bowling Green Lions Club. I knew then that he could be a great Governor for the Lions--and he was. I am sorry that I won't be able to be present for the visitation or services as I have to be in Independence MO for Friday and Saturday. My prayers for all.  
PDG Lion Allen Kohler

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**E Allen Kohler** - August 07, 2017 at 08:44 PM

PT

“ Carol, I am so sorry for your loss. I will surely miss my friend John and his awesome attitude and that contiguous smile he had. I will keep you and your family in my daily prayers for the stength to help yall through these tough times.

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**Paralee Farrell Turner** - August 07, 2017 at 07:46 PM

MS

“ Carol: Our deepest condolences for the loss your family has suffered. We'll remember the upbeat times, friendly greetings, smiles and never forget that John had a huge Lion heart of service to his fellow man.

*Mark and Judy Schaeperkoetter*

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**Mark A. Schaeperkoetter** - August 07, 2017 at 05:02 PM

 Andrea Seeley

“ You have our love, our empathy and our prayers. Godspeed, John. -  
The Seeley & Koenig Families

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**Andrea Seeley** - August 07, 2017 at 04:40 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of John Deters.*



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August 07, 2017 at 04:24 PM



“ *Prayers and hugs to all the family- Carol and girls, Aunt Betty and Uncle Al, Steve, Lois, and Tom. John has truly been an inspiration with his steadfast faith and determination throughout his battle with cancer. We love you John, from one of your many "favorite cousins."*

*Terri Mudd*

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**Terri Mudd** - August 07, 2017 at 02:51 PM