



John E. Long

August 29, 1959 - March 2, 2025

John E. “Big John” Long, 65, of Lebanon, passed away Sunday, March 2, 2025 at home with family by his side following a courageous battle with cancer. He was born to Earl and Adalaine Long in England where his father was stationed in the Air Force.

John graduated from Northern Lebanon High School and served in the Air Force. He was retired from PennDOT. His greatest passion was entrepreneurship. John owned and operated Center Lines for several years, was a former real estate agent/broker and commercial property owner. What he loved the most was owning and operating John’s Gym for 25 years, competing in powerlifting competitions, and training others. He closed the gym in 2010 to devote more time to his family. John has always said that his greatest accomplishments were his children, Mitchell and Alexis, and building his home with his wife. John spent countless hours practicing baseball with Mitch, coaching his youth league team to championship and travelling near and far to support both Mitch and Lexi playing high school, travel ball and college ball.

John is survived by his wife Michele, son Mitchell, daughter Alexis, sisters Beverley (Paul) Yost, Suzie (Dave) Wenrich, Julie (Steve) Schriver, brother Earl (Michelle) Long, mother-in-law Phyllis (Charles) Moyer, and nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, brother Douglas and wife Peggy Long, and father-in-law James Thornton.

A public viewing will be held on Thursday, March 6th, 2025, from 6:00PM to

8:00PM at Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., 618 E. Main St. Annville, PA 17003. An additional public viewing will be held on Friday, March 7th, 2025, from 11:30AM-1:00PM at the Funeral Home. Funeral Services will begin at 1:00PM on Friday. Interment with military honors will be held in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital or to a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Indiantown Gap National Cemetery

Indiantown Gap Road
Anville, PA 17003

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kreamer Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.
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(717) 867-4811

Public Viewing

MAR 7. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAR 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CD

“ Charles Dissinger lit a candle in memory of John E. Long



Charles Dissinger - June 26, 2025 at 08:39 PM

CD

“ So sorry I just learned of this I got John started in powerlifting many years ago and along with my son we enjoyed our time in his gym.. Chopper

Charles Dissinger - June 26, 2025 at 08:37 PM

CL

“ John, We were born the same year and month. I can still hear you yelling out "your killing me Chris" after the Pinewood Derby at scouts. I would hear the pinging of the bat as you would throw the ball to Mitchel during practice. You and the entire family will always be in our thoughts and prayers.

Chris, Barbara, Ashlee & Bryan

Chris Likes - March 28, 2025 at 06:35 PM

GR

“ Sending my prayers and condolences to the Family of John E. Long. John was my supervisor at a job in 1994, test driving cars for General Motors It was the best and most fun job I ever had, and John entrusted me to be the test driver for the very first Chevrolet Pickup Truck off the assembly line for 1994 ! John was always very courteous , kind , a great supervisor , he taught me alot about weightlifting and he was always a great all around man. May GOD BLESS John and his entire family.
Respectfully, Gregory K. Jr.. Lancaster

Greg - March 10, 2025 at 02:40 PM

RM

“ Robin Tobias And Karen Martin lit a candle in memory of John E. Long



Robin Tobias and Karen Martin - March 07, 2025 at 11:59 AM

SK

“ Stefanie Kent lit a candle in memory of John E. Long



Stefanie Kent - March 06, 2025 at 06:50 PM

BY

“ John, this is your big sister Bevie. We were close over the years because of what happened at the beginning of your life. I was three when you were born. I was only told years later that you were asleep in your carry cot and I picked you up and put you on my shoulder patting you. Mum told me Dad came up behind me and she was in front. Evidently I said I have my dolly Mummy. Thank God I didn't drop you. I believe it was a good start for us. Through the years you have made us all proud. The time we shared an apartment together were the best of my life because you were the best conversationalist.
I thank God for you. You are never gone, you are in my heart. I will love you all the days of my life. Bevie XO

Bevie Yost - March 04, 2025 at 05:51 PM



“ I will truly miss John. He is such a huge part of our family. God had perfect timing when he sent John to Michele. I will be forever grateful for him loving my sister like he did, and for sharing his wonderful kids with me. He will always be a huge part of Sheshes heart. RIP JOHN



Sherri Lynch - March 04, 2025 at 05:50 PM

EL

“ I have many great memories of my brother growing up he was always there for me if I ever needed ANYTHING. Thank You John. Love your little brother(Littleguy)

Earl Long - March 04, 2025 at 02:51 PM

BY

“ *God Bless
Love you all
Bevie & Skip*



Bevie Yost - March 04, 2025 at 02:31 PM

SU

“ *Suzie lit a candle in memory of John E. Long*



Suzie - March 04, 2025 at 12:09 PM

HW

“ *Rest in peace John.you were my landlord for 30 years.Ypu always kept my rent very reasonable.Deepst sympathy sent to your family.*

Hope wealand - March 04, 2025 at 11:29 AM

JP

“ *I have many memories of John Long. He was an integral part of our track team at Northern Lebanon high school. We worked very hard at running and it made us all better men and women. Fly high, John and rest in peace.*

James Peiffer class of 1977

james Peiffer - March 04, 2025 at 09:29 AM

TR

“ *I have fond memories of running with John in high school and admired his many athletic skills. Rest In Peace.*
Kevin Reichert ,NL cross country class of 1978

Tammy Reichert - March 03, 2025 at 09:57 PM



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



March 03, 2025 at 09:02 PM