



John James Maguire

April 10, 1939 - August 29, 2025

John James Maguire, age 86, passed away peacefully at home on August 29, 2025, surrounded by his family that he adored. He is lovingly remembered by his devoted wife, Jan; his children, Michael Patrick Maguire (Tina) of Hanford, CA, and Laurie Ann Maguire (Abby) of Potomac Falls, VA; his grandchildren, John Ancel Maguire (Dakota) and Tabitha Leann Maguire (Harley), both of Visalia, CA; and his cherished great-grandchildren, Hayden James Hall Maguire, Genesis Bonnie Hall Maguire, Bonnie Jane Maguire, Zane Everett Hall Maguire, and Luke Justyn Maguire - who will carry his love, his humor, and his stories with them as they grow. John will also be remembered with gratitude and affection by Jan's son Ron Beatty (Christina), his many friends and extended family, notably his devoted caretakers - Sayuri, Mariana, and Nancy.

Born April 10, 1939, in San Francisco, CA, to John Vincent and Irene May Maguire, John grew up in Glen Park and graduated from Polytechnic High School before attending S.F. City College and the University of San Francisco, where he studied Management and Labor Relations. He proudly served six years in the U.S. Navy Reserve (Active Duty 1958-1960). John retired from Pacific Bell as a manager in 1990. He later earned his California Real Estate Broker's License and practicing in the Bay Area before moving to Visalia in 2000 with his beloved wife of 58 years, Bonnie Jean Maguire, who preceded John in death. A lifelong learner and community leader, John was a member of both Toastmasters and Rotary International.

Embracing life and discovering love again, John met and married Jan Beatty at Visalia United Methodist Church in 2020. Together they shared countless joys- whether traveling the world (most memorably a cruise through the Panama Canal in 2022), playing bridge, attending the theater and symphony, or supporting local music and philanthropic programs.

John will be remembered for his kind heart, his quick wit, his infectious laughter, and his love for a good joke, which brought warmth and joy to everyone blessed to know him.

Services will be held at the Visalia United Methodist Church, 5200 W. Caldwell Ave, Visalia on Saturday, September 20, 2025, at 10:30 am. Reception to follow.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com.

Previous Events

Service

SEP **20**. 10:30 AM (PT)

Visalia United Methodist Church

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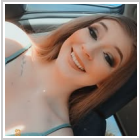
<http://www.visaliamethodist.org/>

Tribute Wall

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“Johnny” was a true gentleman and friend. As a nextdoor neighbor for over 20 years, he will certainly be missed. To his grandchildren... your grandparents are always with you, watching over you, and you will see them again.

Gail Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 12:58 PM



“ I have so many memories to share about my grandpa.. growing up everytime I broke or mess anything up he would fix it. Anything was possible in his eyes. I had a splinter in my hand and he would ice it and scape it out with a safely pin. Everytime I was cold he would throw hes arm around me and tell me to put my hand in my arm pits, it'll warms me up faster.. growing up he said pay urself first (build saving). He said find someone smarter than you. My grandpa was an amazing man. He was raised as a true gentleman. He was so caring and I wish I could make something to make him alive forever hes that special!! I love my grandpa ❤️ he was definitely a picture perfect one of a kind special man that ill cherish for the rest of my life ❤️

Tabby Maguire - September 13, 2025 at 11:29 PM

MD

☐ 🙏 best man for sure

Mariana Duenas - September 20, 2025 at 01:24 AM

JM

“ My Grandpa was a great man. He watch my sister and I grow up. He loved us very much and he would do anything for us. As I got older and he did too, I got the privilege to work for him. During the process of working with Grandpa, he had a great personality and sense of humor. He enjoyed my company, teaching me on how to do things his way/ "The right way" when I did a good job I would get two thump up from him. My name was either Hey kid or John, now and then it was Michael. Guess grandpa is now up with grandma, I hope I got promoted to big John. Don't worry grandpa dad will put your ashes near the T.V so you can hear better. (Family behind door joke at the dinner table.) Grandpa had a sense of humor, so do I. Don't worry grandpa, ill take care of my family just like you always told me. You have a blast with grandma on your next journey together. In spirit. Love you very much, love always your One and only grandson "John A Maguire"

John A Maguire - September 13, 2025 at 12:25 AM