



John Anthony Porta

November 14, 2016

Obituary of John Porta

John Anthony Porta, 59, of Lady Lake, Florida, passed away on November 14, 2016 in The Villages. John was born in Pittsburgh, PA to Robert & Ann Marie Porta on June 24, 1957. He went to Astronaut High School, Titusville, FL and graduated in 1975. He attended the University of Central FL. He was a U.S. Army Veteran. He worked in the construction industry for many years beginning in his early 20's and eventually became a Realtor. His real estate career began by selling vacant land in Volusia County, FL then working for a home builder. He eventually relocated to The Villages, working for Realty Executives and expanding his business, becoming a well-known and top producing agent in the area with more than 3,000 lifetime transactions to his credit. He received numerous accolades in the industry. He was a Sir Knight of the Knights of Columbus Assembly 2722, a Eucharist Minister at St. Timothy's and was active in the Pro-life movement. He enjoyed all water sports, fishing, boating and skiing. He also was an avid snow skier and made annual trips out west with friends and family to ski the slopes. His passion in life was sharing his love for Christ, spending time soaking up the sun while cooking on the grill to provide meals for family, friends and others. He was a grill master! John is survived by his wife, Esther; his children, Justin, Nicole and Blake Porta; parents, Robert & Ann Marie Porta; siblings, Joseph Porta (Linda Marlow), Robert Porta (Robin), Michael Porta (Libbi), Roseann Porta,

Daniel Porta (Ronda), and Mary Frances Porta; and a large number of extended family members. Visitation will be held at St. Timothy's Catholic Church on Friday, November 18 from 3:00-5:00 pm. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Timothy's Catholic Church, Lady Lake on Saturday, November 19, at 10:00 am with Father Ed Waters, celebrant. Burial will be at Cape Canaveral National Cemetery, Mims, FL at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Timothy's Catholic Church for St. Vincent de Paul Society or Knights of Columbus, 1351 Paige Place, Lady Lake, FL 32159 or Jess Parrish Medical Foundation for Cancer Care, PO Box 2969, Titusville, FL 32781. The family wishes to extend their gratitude to Father Ed Waters of St. Timothy's and the church community for their love, prayers and support given to John and the family.

Tribute Wall

TB

“ *The Brady family sends our condolences along to the Porta family. We are so sorry for your loss.*

Tom and Terra Brady - November 23, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear of the death of John. My thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of John. May he rest in peace.*

George Broaddus - November 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ *John Anthony Porta*

Rick Camperson - November 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Porta family. May God comfort you all at this time of loss. From the Barfield Giddens Family.

Jan Giddens - November 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ To The Family. I am sadden to hear of John's passing. He was a Great Father & one of the best salespeople I have ever worked with. I know he is looking down on us from our lord's kingdom. God Bless the family.

Chris Convery - November 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ John Anthony Porta. A.K.A. "BUBBA", as his close friends called him, and he was a close friend of mine! Bubba and I shared many of good times together, over the 38 years since we first met, we even shared a few homes and apartments together! BUBBA was a guy who made you laugh a lot! Sometimes all he had to do was walk into the room, and BAM, he would make you laugh! I will miss my friend BUBBA very much! He was one of a kind and will be missed by a multitude of people!! R.I.P. BUBBA..... GOD Speed My Friend!!

Robert Huck - November 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Porta family.

Donna Webb - November 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LV

“ John Anthony Porta

laurie verali - November 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LV

“ *my heart is broken to hear of johns passing, my prayers go out to all of his family, he was a good friend and a wonderful man.*

laurie verali - November 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ *We are so sorry for the loss of your son. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Theresa & Jack Turpin*

Theresa Turpin - November 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *To the family our prayers and thoughts are with you all. We had the pleasure of doing business with John truly a great man he will be deeply missed.*

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Skidmore - November 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family., I worked on a sale with JP and found him to be not only professional but a wonderful human being. I will keep him and the family in my prayers.*

Betty Schneitzer - November 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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BJ Rutkowski - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *Our thoughts & Prayers are with the Porta Family during this time of sorrow.*

R.I.P John, God has a great Angel with him now.

God Bless All

Brad, & Lisa Blickley

Family<http://thevillagesladylake>.###GESTURE###

Brad & Lisa Blickley & Family - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LM

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Linda Sears & John Mello - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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Lynne Marinelli - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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BJ Rutkowski - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *JP and Tonya handled the sale of my Mom's house on the historic side of The Villages. From the moment we met them we knew we had the right people for the job. JP was so kind to my Mom during the process. You could tell that it was not just a job to them, they truly cared about their clients. I was so sorry to hear of his death. My sincere sympathies to you and your family.*

BJ Rutkowski - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ JP was a reallu nice man who loved his parents and children!
Frienvdly and outhgoing! Will be greatly missed!

AnnMarie Boyle - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NP

“ We are heartbroken for your your loss. Sending prayers and love for
all of his family and friends. With love from your Texas friends.

Nancy Jo Larrinaga Priddy - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ I'm so very saddened by this news. Rest In Peace

Ken Ward - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ Dear Ann Marie, so sorry to hear of your son's death.Be assured of
my prayers for you and your family. Love and blessings, Teresa

Teresa Pinkos - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ To the family of J.P Porta While I had not seen John lately, I have
missed seeing and talking with him on a regular basis. When I fist
met him I like him immediately, my kind guy. Many of my friends
have been called to Glory early in life. I was always glad to know
that J.P. was a believer in Christ. Someday when the trumpet of the
GOD sounds I will see him on the other side at that glorious
moment, in a twinkling of an eye. For what is a man's life but a
vapor on the sand here today and gone tomorrow. It won't matter
how much your worth or how many awards you received. For when
all of life is gone and past only that which is done for Christ will last.
Farwell my friend until we meet again.

Buddy Clark - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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LM

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Linda Sears & John Mello - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *John was so warm and kind at first meeting. He was a real patriot. A beautiful smile and a hug whenever we would meet. I really missed seeing him when he moved away. I was able to keep up by facebook. I am so sorry. He will be sorely missed. Prayers go out to your family. With Love, Karen*

Karen Fenske - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

WA

“ *Sorry for you loss. Saw John 3 months ago at the South Side Hot Tub . He seemed like he was on the up swing. Tanya sold my house within 1 week of her listing. She said pray for you, which I did. I go to St. Tims every week, and I'd see him there. Rest in peace*

Walter Anderson - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *My condolence to the family. He will be missed.*

Lynne Marinelli - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CY

“ I didn't know JP that long, but I really admired his spirit and work ethic--it was amazing to watch him quietly go about his business in the construction and real estate world and become so successful. My heart goes out to his family and close friends as they suffer this huge loss.

Carol Youkey - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ My condolences to all of you at this time. John is with our heavenly father an at peace. Has ever lasting life with father an family. May he rest in peace. Memory's of time spent with John & family will be ever in my heart. Prayers to you all that you will have comfort from above an always.

Catherine Gramz - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ So sorry for your loss he has lived a very full life, and now in a better place. He will be missed by family and friends, until we meet again on the other side. I never had the opportunity to know him but I do know he was a wonderful man who loved God.

Emily stanley - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Dear Mr. and Ms. Porta I'm sorry to hear about John's passing. Although it has been at least ten years the last time John and I had talked. It was like I had never left Fairglen. We all grew up and went our own ways to find out who we really are and fit in with this growing world. John, like all the people I have met over the years is a part of my life, as I was a part of his. Friends: he will be missed. My love goes out to the both of you and the rest of the family. Sincerely David G Webb (Pa)

David G Webb - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *Please accept my sympathies. The real estate world lost a great one.*

Debbie M Boone - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ *There are no words to express how sad I am at his passing. John was so very nice to me and I am proud of his accomplishments here in The Villages. He will truly be missed by myself and everyone whose life he has touched. A prior commitment that takes me out of town will prevent us from attending the visitation and Mass. Please know that we will be there in our thoughts and with our prayers.*

Pennie Whitt - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *Sorry to hear about your nephew Albert. He is with Jesus. God bless you and Benn. Our condolences to you and your family. Prayers my friend*

Scherri Stearns - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *John Anthony Porta*

Aunt Chris - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *Rest in peace nephew, prayers and love to all. Your in my thoughts and prayers always. Even though the distance is far the love and heart isn't. Love Aunt Chris*

Aunt Chris - November 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ So sorry to hear of your loss, your family will be in our prayers.

Sean & Faith Wilt - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ Our deepest sympathies to Esther, Justin, Niki, Blake and the Porta family. God bless you all with Peace during this difficult time. John 3:16

Ronald and Wendy Wilk - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ I had the good fortune to have worked with JP. I remember when he first came to work at Realty Executives, he was a man on a mission. He wanted to be the Realtor of choice on the Orange Blossom Side and he did just that. His ability to obtain a difficult market, that had been controlled by the Villages for years, was amazing. I was proud to call him an associate but more than that I was glad he was my friend. It is with much regret that I did not spend time with him. I just didn't know he was this sick. Please know that Frank and I will be forever grateful to have known him. I will miss his John 3:16 shirt. I know he was proud of his family and he talked about his parents all the time. I will never forget the day he helped me mow grass at the Sozo Farm, It was a hot day but we got the job done. JP had the hard part with the weed eater. He was always there to lend a hand on numerous company functions and he was always a team player. JP proved that you can be successful, just work hard and be honest and people will come. I never had one complaint from any clients, which is amazing considering the volume of work he did. You will be missed, you served us well and you can not be replaced. We loved working with you, Frank and Debbie Okruhlica Former Broker/ Owners of Realty Executives

Debbie and Frank Okruhlica - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ *my sincere condolences. I will miss his facebook posts and also his wisdom when I would ask him about politics. its a shock to hear this and I am truly saddened.*

paula - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ *So sorry to all the Porta family for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers for peace are with you. Special hugs go out to Esther, Justin, Nicki, and Blake. With sincere love and sympathy, The Duester family*

Lori and Paul Duester - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ *John Anthony Porta*

Larry & Donna Pittman - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ *Dear Porta Family, Words fall short of expressing our sorrow for your loss. Please accept our heartfelt condolences of the passing of John. It was such an honor to have known such a great person and he will truly be missed by so many. We have gained an angel in heaven to watch over us. May God embrace you all in comfort during this difficult time. God Bless you all. RIP our sweet friend. Larry & Donna Pittman (Merritt Island, Florida)*

Larry & Donna Pittman - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NP

“ *John Anthony Porta*

Nicole Porta - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Justino my condolences to u and ur family. Love u.*

Digna Crespo - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *So sad to hear that JP lost the battle with cancer in this life but I know he sits victoriously with the King of Kings for eternity and it was He (Jesus)who won the war!. Though We do not know JP's family- since our friendship was thru our real estate transactions, we extend our sincere condolences. May God grant all of you who grieve comfort. We will miss him- as will so many whose life were touched by him. God grant you peace.*

Jan and David Willis - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *See you soon, life is short & gets faster everyday. Meet me at the Gate!*

PT (Tim) Moore - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *I am so sorry to hear of John's passing. I went to school with John for several years and always enjoyed myself when I was around him. A great sense of humor. We shared a lot of laughs. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.*

Tim DeViese - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *The lord always has a plan*

Michael J. Maskewicz - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ I only knew JP for a short time, but I knew he was a good person from the get go. His time on earth was too short. He is missed. My condolences to the family and Tanya.

Lyle Gant - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ John Anthony Porta

Beverly Shive - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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JP

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Justin Porta - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DB

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Doelene Brown - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ John Anthony Porta

Brenda Broad - November 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ God Bless and Keeping you in my Prayers.

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“ *My deepest condolences and prayers. May God watch over JP's Family and Friends during this hard time and give you the strength needed. <3*

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