



John Copelan

November 25, 1950 - January 24, 2020

Mr. John Newton Copelan, age 69, passed away Friday, January 24, 2020. Services will be held 3:00 PM Tuesday, January 28, 2020 in the chapel of Williams Funeral Home of Eatonton. The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM until the service time.

Mr. Copelan was born on November 25, 1950 to the late Russell Copelan and the late Evelyn Carnes Copelan. He loved the arts. He was a great artist as well as an actor and director for many productions around the surrounding counties.

Mr. Copelan is survived by his son Drew (Deirdre) Copelan, brothers Danny (Clara) Copelan and Tommy (Linda Copelan, sister Yvonna Copelan, grand daughter Hounter Copelan and grand son Parker Copelan, aunt Dot Rountree as well as several nieces and nephews

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 28. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ I'm deeply sorry to learn of John's passing. He was a very caring and thoughtful man, who will be missed. I'm honored that I had the opportunity to get to know him. My sincere condolences to his son, extended family, dear friends, and his many patrons of the arts. Fondly, Mark Lamkins of Madison, Wis.

Mark Lamkins - February 04, 2020 at 07:32 PM



“ Praying for you all as you go through this time of sorrow. John was a good man and I am honored to have known him and to be able to call him friend. He meant so much to my sweet Fulton. God bless you.



LeahAnne Sellers - January 28, 2020 at 06:10 PM



“ Vickey Bostic lit a candle in memory of John Copelan



Vickey Bostic - January 28, 2020 at 11:39 AM



“ Josh Pierce And Steve Pierce lit a candle in memory of John Copelan



Josh Pierce and Steve Pierce - January 27, 2020 at 08:49 PM

LY

“ Lynne M Young lit a candle in memory of John Copelan



Lynne M Young - January 26, 2020 at 11:42 PM

LY

“ When I first moved to Greensboro, I attended a Lake Country Players production and was introduced to this wonderful man. Acting was my passion and I was Blessed to share many productions with John. He was a true Southern Gentleman and his smile and laugh were part of his charm. He loved all aspects of the theater and created it LCP with his hard work and his own finances. Lake Country Players will celebrate their 10 year Anniversary this year and as we continue to carry on our Mission “to create productions that bring people together to experience the magic of theater”, John's vision will live on! One day, my Dear, we will share the stage again, in Heaven.
Peace, Love and Prayers to the entire family.
Lynne Young

Lynne M Young - January 26, 2020 at 11:41 PM

DH

WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY, FROM DWAYNE HARRISON AND FAMILY

DIANNE HARRISON - January 28, 2020 at 09:26 AM

LR

“ John will certainly be missed. I have so many wonderful memories with him. His laughter was contagious, his ability to be a friend was a blessing. I will never forget him, he will always have a piece of my heart. My prayers go out to the entire family. ❤️

Linda Radney - January 26, 2020 at 07:35 PM

MB

“ John was the ultimate Southern Gentleman. Impeccable manners and beautifully dressed. We met when I worked at the Greene County Chamber of Commerce and he asked if I would sell tickets for the beginning of The Greene County players. My husband and I supported him for many years. Rest In Peace John, you have left a lasting impression on many lives.

marianne botdorf - January 26, 2020 at 06:46 PM

SM

“ So sorry for you and your families loss, Drew. Thoughts, prayers, love and hugs to each of you!

Sandra Mccollum - January 25, 2020 at 01:39 PM

SS

“ My prayers are with all of John's family. He will be missed by all that knew him. John was such a presence, always friendly, smiling and happy. We rode the school bus together for years and he was always fun to be around: Rest In Peace John.
Shirley E Stephens

Shirley E Stephens - January 25, 2020 at 01:11 PM

SM

So sorry for your loss, Drew and family! Thoughts, prayers, love and hugs!

Sandra Mccollum - January 25, 2020 at 01:37 PM

AS

“ I was so sorry to hear the news of Johns passing. I have lots of great memories about him. I know he was loved & will be missed by so many. God Bless You John! 🙏



Amanda Sinclair - January 25, 2020 at 12:09 PM

DM

“ *In Memorium*

John Copelan, Founding Artistic Director of The Lake Country Players 2011-2017

From The Lake Country Players: We were saddened to learn that John Copelan had passed away. In 2011 John Copelan founded the Greene County Players, a community theater troupe in residence at Festival Hall in Downtown Greensboro. He brought the passion, the vision, the energy and the expertise needed to produce 20 shows during his tenure from 2011 to 2017. John was a talented actor, gifted set designer and experienced director. He was involved in every aspect of each production, selecting shows that would appeal to our community and working tirelessly to make every production the best it could be.

In 2015 the company incorporated as a non-profit organization, changing its name to The Lake Country Players which reflected John's desire to attract both troupe and audience members from the entire lake area, and not just Greene County.

Without John there would be no Lake Country Players. His Legacy will live on as the company he established and cherished continues forward in our mission:

“to create productions that bring people together to experience the magic of theater”.

Debbie McCown - January 25, 2020 at 11:40 AM

CC

Putnam Jasper Support Services will never be the same. John will always be remembered not only as the Director but as our Friend and work Family I have had the opportunity of working with him for over 44 years and have great memories Rest In Peace John and know you will always be remembered. Prayers for all the Family

charlotte Culberson - January 25, 2020 at 01:39 PM

VH

I was one of John's classmates. He was funny, friendly, and kind. He will be missed.

Vickie Holder - January 25, 2020 at 09:33 PM

BO

“ *Prayers go out to the family during this difficult time. I have many fond memories of John as we grew up. You could always count on that fabulous smile and his laughter. He will be truly missed.*



Betty Mains O'Steen - January 25, 2020 at 11:02 AM

SC

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of John passing away. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family at this difficult time in their lives. Steve Carnes*

Steve Carnes - January 25, 2020 at 10:32 AM

EC

“ *I have so many good memories of John , Janice and me growing up. We had many good times as children and in our adult lives. I know Janice welcomed him into Heaven as he arrived. She has always been a "Social Butterfly" .Rest in peace my sweet friend. Until we meet again, Elaine Campbell Carpenter*



Elaine Carpenter - January 25, 2020 at 10:28 AM