



## Jonathan Ross Edgar

August 17, 1944 - September 16, 2023

Jonathan R. Edgar was born in the village of Bronxville, NY, of West Chester County, NY, to Richard and Jean Edgar (nee Humphries) and his elder siblings were David and Susan Edgar. His mother and siblings moved to Narberth, PA, where Jon attended the Narberth School and graduated from Lower Merion High School. Jon has kept in contact with many of his school friends who remained close throughout his life. Jon started his career in public service volunteering for the Narberth Ambulance and Rescue Squad as a teenager. Following high school, Jon entered the United States Army. After basic training, Jon was sent to Fort Holabird, Baltimore, MD, for specialization education in aerial photography interpretation and then served in Hawaii during the Vietnam War with the 171st Military Intelligence Platoon. While stationed in Hawaii, Jon was tasked to help with pinpointing the building location of American Prisoners of War in Hanoi, Vietnam, to keep them safe during bombing missions. This was especially important to him as his cousin's husband was being held there. After the Army, Jon briefly went to college on the GI bill and then worked as a food broker before attending the police academy. Later in life, Jon went back to school and earned an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice from Bucks County Community College. After the academy, Jon joined the Middletown Township Police Department and served as a Patrolman, Firearms Instructor and K-9 officer from 1975 to 1994. Upon retiring from the Middletown Township Police Department, Jon took some time off and later worked first as a Facilitator and then Security for Bucks County

Technical High School. Jon's hobbies were cooking and family genealogy research. Many a Saturday, Jon could be found cooking lodge breakfasts and dinners or attending culinary classes. Jon's genealogy research culminated in a family trip to Scotland which was a highlight of his later years. The family stayed in a bed and breakfast on his ancestral home from where he was able to travel to many sites his ancestor's visited and lived. Jon was a devoted brother, uncle and friend to his family and next door neighbors, the Kaechelin's and he will be laid to rest at Washington Crossing National Cemetery. In addition to being a life-long public servant to his community, Jon was generous, loved his family and telling stories, and will be dearly missed by all.

His Graveside Service will be held on Tues. Oct. 3rd. at 11:30 AM at Washington Crossing National Cem., 830 Highland Rd., Newtown, PA 18940. (Please meet at the Cem. office by 11:15 AM)

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

OCT 3. 11:30 AM (ET)

Washington Crossing National Cemetery  
830 Highland Road  
Newtown, PA 18940

*Please meet at the Cemetery Office by 11:15 AM*

# Tribute Wall

FM

“ I am so sad to hear of Jonathan’s death. I was wondering why I wasn’t getting a Christmas card from him. We worked together at the elections . What a nice guy and very knowledgeable about a lot of things even if he was a Republican. I know he had some health issues and that was very evident from his handwriting on his last card. We moved to Georgia and he sent me a dictionary of Southern terms and phrases. Very funny and true. We miss him RIP Jonathan

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**Fran McElroy** - December 28, 2023 at 12:33 PM

TH

“ Rest In Peace classmate.

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**Tom Hauserman** - September 20, 2023 at 03:29 PM

PG

“ Jon was family to me and mine for many years. We had good times, frightening times and everything in between. He was a part of us, sharing holidays, family celebrations, parties, get-togethers, and oftentimes just simple dinners at home. He was with us when we celebrated, when we grieved and always there when we had the usual family issues and troubles. In all ways, he was a part of my family. I called him my “brother-in-law”, but truly he was more like a brother. Jon was always precious to me and mine. A “great guy” does not do him any justice. He was one of a kind.

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**Patricia Gordon** - September 19, 2023 at 10:01 PM

KP

“ We were at Narberth Public School together, then at Lower Merion. I am sorry to say I lost track of him. He insisted on being called CJ which I originally thought must have been for his first and middle names, but no, it actually stood for "Clumsy John". He thought it was very funny. I thought he was funny. R.I.P old friend.  
Keith McKenna Pension

Keith pension - September 19, 2023 at 08:11 PM

BV

I gave him the CJ nickname after he tackled me in a game of Tackle the Cow. We tossed that and my Toozel nickname back and forth. Gonna miss talking to him.

Bill Voight - September 20, 2023 at 10:19 AM

CM

“ Craig & Celia Martin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan Ross Edgar.

Craig & Celia Martin - September 19, 2023 at 11:24 AM

CM

“ Craig & Celia Martin purchased the Garden Wreath for the family of Jonathan Ross Edgar.



Craig & Celia Martin - September 19, 2023 at 11:24 AM

BV

“ RIP old friend.

Bill Vioght - September 19, 2023 at 10:55 AM

SE

“ *Susan and Ed purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jonathan Ross Edgar.*



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**Susan and Ed** - September 19, 2023 at 09:39 AM

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