



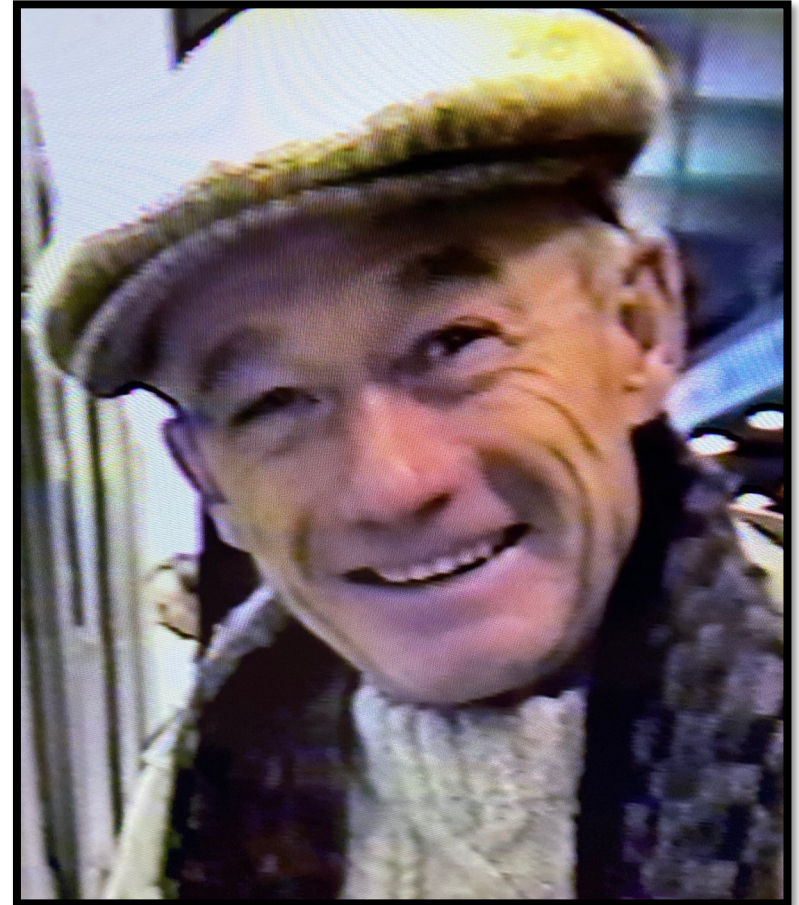
John loved his son Mark and devoted much of his life to Mark's care.

John became a grandfather to cousins Amanda and Camille in 2000. They called him "Popi".



John's sister, Dianne, raised a beautiful family in Pennsylvania. Their warmth, humor, and kindness were a great source of strength for him.

In Loving Memory



John Richard Horan
February 8, 1934 ~ December 11, 2023

John Richard Horan was born in Scranton Pennsylvania, on February 8, 1934. John's intellect and ambition facilitated his early business success. His sales teams in the US and Europe achieved financial goals that made it possible for him to save money and start a family while completing his undergraduate history degree at UC Berkeley, a master's in city planning at The University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill, and later pursuing a Ph.D. He was a coal miner's son who took control of his destiny and proudly stood for his family back home. He shares his adventures and learnings in his book, *Door to Door Salesman: From Coal Mines to UC Berkeley*.

After finishing his Master's degree in the 60's, he moved back to the Bay Area with his wife Rose, where they raised 3 children in Palo Alto. Throughout the 70's and 80's he worked in San Francisco for the Federal Government developing poverty programs throughout the western United States. Later, he worked as a City Planner and then changed careers to become a self-taught software engineer developing security applications for the United States Post Office.

John was always interested in the world around him. His curiosity and love of cultures led him to travel the world throughout his life. He enjoyed playing the accordion, ping pong, chess, tap dancing and ballroom dancing. He never missed a day working out, jogging, swimming or rowing. He loved languages, teaching English to Chinese students in Central Park in San Mateo and studying Spanish and French.

Later in life, John spent most of his time with his long-time friend and dance partner, Eva Barr. They traveled mostly within the continental US to visit his sister, Dianne Duffy, and her children. John had a special reverence for his hometown of Scranton, Pennsylvania, and the very large family he still has there.

John was a role model who lived to learn every day. He was kind and generous, smart and funny with a strong moral compass helping to guide everyone around him. His civic connection ran deep. He believed in a society with fair and equal access to health, education, a high standard of living, and a strong quality of life. The 1950s was his favorite decade when he was most optimistic about our country's future, believing that the world would become a better place to live.

John was a survivor who lived a full life of 90 years and showed us how to enjoy each day no matter what. The world has lost a great man too soon and we will never, ever forget the difference he made in the lives of his family and friends.

John is survived by his sister Dianne Duffy and her children, and his children, John Casey Horan and Kelly Bossut, and his grandchildren, Amanda Horan and Camille Bossut. John's first-born son, Mark Horan, died in 2003.

Memorial Service

2:00 p.m.

Saturday ~ January 13, 2024
Sneider & Sullivan & O'Connell's Funeral Home
977 South El Camino Real
San Mateo, California

Celebrant

Msgr. John Talesfore
St. Matthew Catholic Church

Order of Service

Memorial Liturgy

Msgr. John Talesfore

Eulogies

Family of John Richard Horan

Shared Remembrances

Open Mic



Reception to Follow

Sneider & Sullivan & O'Connell's
Reception Room