



John Richard Payne

July 18, 1967 - February 17, 2025

John Richard Payne, a beloved husband, father, and friend, passed away on February 17, 2025, at the age of 57. Born on July 18, 1967, he leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter, and inspiration.

John's life was characterized by his passion for aviation, which took flight early in his career as an A&P Mechanic. His dedication and expertise led him to fulfill his dream job as an instructor at the Aviation Institute of Maintenance. A proud United States Army veteran, John's service to his country was a testament to his unwavering commitment to helping others. He carried this spirit into every aspect of his life, always willing to lend a hand and offer support to those in need. Known for his sharp wit and good-hearted jokes, John had a knack for making everyone around him smile.

John was a member of New Beginning Church Baptist Church in Senoia, GA, where his faith and devotion to the Lord were evident to all who knew him. His love for his family was paramount, and he cherished every moment spent with them. He shared an especially deep bond with his wife of 18 years, Christy Payne. Together, they recently rekindled their love, planning to renew their wedding vows and having bought new rings to mark the occasion. Tragically, John passed on their 18th wedding anniversary.

John's heart was immense, best exemplified by how he embraced Christy's daughter, Hannah, as his own from the moment he met her.

John loved the outdoors and found solace in God's beauty. He enjoyed boating and was working on repairing a boat at the time of his passing. An

avid cook, he delighted in preparing everyone's favorite dishes, bringing family and friends together through food and laughter.

John is preceded in death by his stepfather, Gordon West. He is survived by his loving wife, Christy; his devoted mother, Lorena West; his cherished children, Amanda, Jessica, Vance, and Hannah Payne; his brother-in-law, Jeremy Neill, and wife Angela; his nephew, Justin Neill, and niece, McKayla Neill. Each will forever hold dear the memory of his laughter and love.

The celebration of his life will be held on Sunday, February 23, 2025, at 2 o'clock at New Beginning Church Baptist Church in Senoia, with Pastor Ken Smith officiating. Visitation will take place on Saturday, February 22, 2025, from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m. at Parrott Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Camp Memorial Park.

John Richard Payne will be remembered as a friend to all, a loving husband and father, and a man whose humor and kindness touched every soul he met. His legacy of love will continue to inspire those who were fortunate enough to know him.

Cemetery Details

Camp Memorial Park

1095 Highway 54
Fayetteville, GA 30215

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **22**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory
8355 Senoia Road
Fairburn, GA 30213
(770) 964-4800
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<https://www.parrottfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

FEB **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

New Beginning Church Baptist Church
973 Standing Rock Rd
Senoia, GA 30276

Tribute Wall



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Richard Payne



Parrott Funeral Home - February 22, 2025 at 04:53 PM

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“ Steve and Denese Tibbetts purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Richard Payne.



Steve and Denese Tibbetts - February 22, 2025 at 09:57 AM



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“ *Bob and Teresa Harding purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of John Richard Payne.*



Bob and Teresa Harding - February 21, 2025 at 02:33 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of John Richard Payne.*



February 20, 2025 at 05:58 PM