



## Mr. John Anthony Murray

October 14, 1939 - August 9, 2020

John Anthony Murray, 80, passed away on Sunday, August 9, 2020 at Oconee Memorial Hospital.

He was the son of the late John A. Murray and Mary Helen (Strohecker) Murray.

John was a life-time learner and held an Associate Degree in Computer Science, Bachelor's degree in Electronic Engineering and General Science and a Master's degree in Management Science. He retired after thirty-nine years of service in the U.S. Department of the Treasury. He had a very diverse tenure with opportunities to serve various government agencies, including the FAA, ATF, Department of Defense and Joint Chiefs of Staff, including ten years with the Intelligence Community.

After retirement, he left DC for the mountains that he loved, settling in his residency in Oconee County. He had the privilege of continuing his love of service as the Emergency Communications Director for Oconee County. He was a member of Open Door Baptist Church.

John held many active memberships in organizations, committing his time and advocacy to many projects and causes. He had an outgoing personality with a heart as huge as the Stetson hat that he always wore. His genuine concern for people was widely known and because of the natural ripple effect, his kindness touched the lives of many.

John is survived by his wife, Marcia Murray, Daughter Linda Stubs (Jim), Daughter Lisa Cudmore (Don), Son (Harry Reeves) and Grandson's Heath,

Aaron and Allen, Andrew, Michael, Christopher and Patrick.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held Saturday, August 15th at 2:00pm at Davenport Funeral Home, 311 S. Hwy 11, West Union, SC 29696.

For those unable to attend, you may go to Davenport Funeral Home's Facebook page to watch live stream.

Flowers are accepted with memorial designation to be later determined by the family, in John's memory.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG 15. 2:00 PM (ET)

Davenport Funeral Home  
311 S Highway 11  
West Union, SC 29696  
(864) 638-3611  
davenportfhome@gmail.com  
<https://www.davenportfuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. John Anthony Murray*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Marcia and Lisa. I was saddened to learn only today of the passing of John. I am so sorry for your loss. John and I were friends via our ham radio connection. He was a member of our Ham Radio Luncheon group and enjoyed attending and talking “radio” with all the hams attending. He had a ton of stories to tell, a couple lifetimes of experience. It would make for good reading, such an overall adventure. John will definitely be missed. If there is anything I can do, don’t hesitate to contact me. Dan Coleman, 864 638 3001*

**Dan Coleman** - September 25, 2020 at 05:36 PM



“ *Heath Cooper, Grandson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Anthony Murray*



**Heath Cooper, Grandson** - August 17, 2020 at 04:57 PM



“ *Linda Murray Stubs (Daughter) sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Anthony Murray*



**Linda Murray Stubs (Daughter)** - August 17, 2020 at 11:46 AM

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“ *Linda Murray Stubs (Daughter) lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Anthony Murray*



Linda Murray Stubs (Daughter) - August 17, 2020 at 11:38 AM

KA

“ *Kathy Addis lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Anthony Murray*



Kathy addis - August 16, 2020 at 03:17 AM

AO

“ *John was a great friend who always had your well being in mind. He was full of wisdom and advice. I was blessed to receive some of that advice which I always welcomed. He taught me much during our employment together at OCSO and many years after. He will be greatly missed and always remembered.*

Angie Orr - August 15, 2020 at 03:07 PM

KF

“ *Kathy Fitzgerald sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Anthony Murray*



Kathy Fitzgerald - August 15, 2020 at 02:36 PM

IB

“ John became my brother-in-law when he married my husband's sister, Patricia. He visited as often as he could and was well accepted into the family like a brother. We had the pleasure of visiting Patsy and John in 1975 in Maryland. He arranged our entire visit to Washington D.C. making sure we never had to stand in line. What a treat! John made sure that when Patsy was diagnosed with brain cancer, she had the most advanced treatment available. He loved his family dearly. Harry John and Lisa, I am so sorry for your loss. We will always have our good memories and I can only imagine the conversation right now in Heaven with John, Harry, Patrick & Mame. We were all Blessed with his kindness. God be with you all. lone Brown

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**lone Brown** - August 14, 2020 at 11:27 PM

 Rosemary Littleton

“ John was a fine man. Conversations with him were always interesting and enjoyable. I am so sorry for your loss.



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**Rosemary Littleton** - August 14, 2020 at 03:14 PM

RW

“ To family and friends, we will remember John with great affection. Our Prayers are with you in your time of sorrow.

*We met John while he still worked with the Address system for Oconee County when he attended a meeting of the Clemson Chapter of NARFE. John, like many of us, was a life time member and loved the fellowship with fellow federal folks. A person with a wealth of information to share, he cared for everyone he met. We will surely miss you John.*

*I personally look forward to seeing you some day in the future. I know you are having the time of your life.*

*Clemson Chapter of NARFE  
Robbie Ann White, Communication Editor*

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**Robbie Ann White** - August 14, 2020 at 12:14 PM

JL

“ I only met John by phone a few years ago and became a good friend while helping his cousin John, I will notify his Cousin John J. Collins Jr of his passing. Both John and I send our condolences to the family.

*James C. Linchy SGM (Retired E-9 USA)  
Lot 192  
37251 Chancey Road  
Zephyrhills, FL 33541-6610  
813-298-7580*

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**James Linchy** - August 13, 2020 at 09:35 PM

GC

“ John was a larger than life man with deep beliefs and way more knowledge than I could grasp. I feel honored to consider him a friend and fellow NARFE member for the last 9 years. RIP my friend!

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**Gail Cline** - August 13, 2020 at 08:44 PM

DE

“ John and I became friends about 10-12 years ago. He was one of those people you loved to talk with, he always had an interesting story. Very professional, always helpful. I will certainly miss him.

*My prayer is that God will bless all of his family in days to come.*

*Danny Edwards*

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**DANNY EDWARDS** - August 13, 2020 at 07:43 PM

OS

“ Oconee County Emergency Services purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mr. John Anthony Murray.

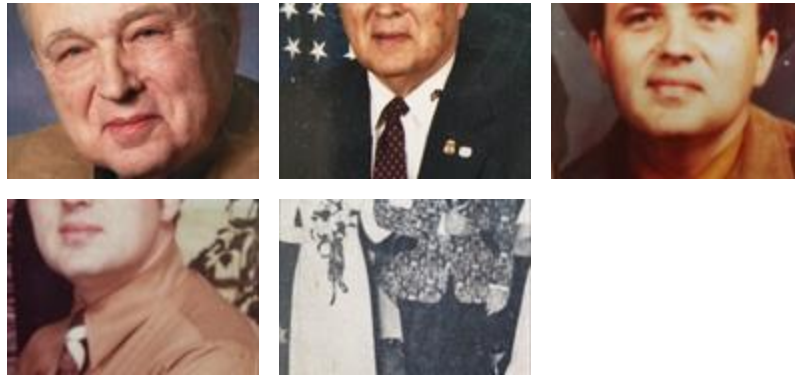


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**Oconee County Emergency Services** - August 13, 2020 at 02:52 PM

LC

“ 25 files added to the album Papa John



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**Lisa Cudmore** - August 12, 2020 at 08:13 PM

DE

*I love these photos Lisa! Thanks for sharing! I see the twinkle in his eyes and can just imagine him starting one of his great stories from a multitude of his many adventures. Already miss him and wish for one more day! Thank you God for all that Uncle John shared with us over his many years. ❤️*

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**Debby** - August 13, 2020 at 10:08 PM

LC

“ 1 file added to the album Lisa Murray Cudmore



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**Lisa Cudmore** - August 12, 2020 at 06:52 PM

MR

“ I feel so honored to have met John and for the time I was able to spend talking with him.  
My condolences to Marci and family and, Thank you, Marci for all the loving care you gave to him!

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**MARIA RODEGHIERO** - August 12, 2020 at 05:14 PM

DA

“ Donald & Lisa, Cudmore & Grandsons Aaron & Allen purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mr. John Anthony Murray.



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**Donald & Lisa, Cudmore & Grandsons Aaron & Allen** -  
August 12, 2020 at 04:53 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Mr. John Anthony Murray.



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August 12, 2020 at 01:58 PM

HI

“ Uncle John always cared deeply for the Oklahoma Brown family, coming to birthdays, anniversaries and visits. He kept up with all of us and we welcomed his love and charm. You never failed to pay special attention to my bride and took us to many special dinners, thank you sir. In a different world we would tear down walls to be with you all and share our love with all of you! It saddens me that we cannot. John, you blessed Pasty, John and Lisa, their families and all your grandkids, who you are so proud of and always smiled when you told us their stories. We love you so much and cant wait to be with you again. May the road rise to meet you and may the wind lift your wings to ultimate Glory. Harry III, Marta, Harry IV, Miguel and Laura Brown

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**Harry E Brown III** - August 11, 2020 at 07:55 PM

DM

“ Dear Lisa, Marcia and family, (Uncle) John had a dynamic personality, vast knowledge and faith of Christ beyond normal measures. He made each of us feel as though he had our back, took time to make us feel special and his care and concern showed in personal conversations, extend phone calls and/or care packages with selected reading materials. He craved knowledge, worked hard, prayed harder, and loved deeply. I admire all he did to make this country a free and safe nation and will treasure his laugh and time he carved out for us over the years. Please know you all are in our thoughts and prayers as you venture on this new path with his memories. God Bless you and God Bless John. Love Debby (Brown) Masi and Family

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**Debby (Brown) Masi** - August 11, 2020 at 07:37 PM