



## John "Jack" Parmater

January 9, 1941 - March 23, 2025

John Roger Parmater (Jack) passed away on March 23, 2025. He was eighty-four years old. Services will be held this summer in Michigan for both Jack and his wife, Mary Parmater (Holmes), who passed away last October. He will be seeing her again soon, along with his son John Parmater, Jr, his mother and father, and his siblings, Michael and James.

Jack was born in Lansing, Michigan in 1941 to John Lionel Parmater and Beatrice Mae Lane (Algate).

After becoming a father at nineteen, Jack went to work in a machine shop to provide for his young family. When an opportunity to play football for University of Colorado presented itself, Jack moved with his wife and young daughter Tama, to Boulder to pursue an engineering degree. After graduating, he turned down an offer to play as an offensive lineman for the Dallas Cowboys to work as a salesman for Caterpillar Inc. Jack soon transitioned into the marine construction business and worked for many construction firms including Bultema Dock and Dredge, and Canonie Inc. before founding his own firm, American Marine Constructors in 1989. Jack served as the president for twenty-two years until his retirement in 2011. He worked on many projects across the country and the world.

Jack loved to travel with his wife and family. He loved to fish, hunt, play golf,

and watch all sports. A skilled boatsman, Jack and his wife loved to sail on The Merry Sea on Lake Michigan.

Jack is survived by his sisters, Sally and Patti, his children, Tama and Troy, four grandchildren, Matthew Curtis, Mary (& Jimbo) McCullough, Christina (& Marigrace) Parmater, and Morgan Curtis, and two great grandchildren, Elijah and Mallory. He will be dearly missed by all those who knew him and loved him in life. His strength inspired his family every day. He will be remembered as a person of immense fortitude.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.*



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