



## John Andrew Mealer

May 23, 1951 - April 3, 2017

John Andrew (Johnny) Mealer, age 65 of Chickamauga, passed away on Monday, April 3, 2017. He was born on Wednesday May 23, 1951 to the late John Hamilton and Beulah Mae Shipley Mealer, Johnny has gone to the other side to await his son and daughter-in-law, John Michael and Amber Mealer..

Born a Wednesday's Child, John left the hills of eastern Kentucky in September 1971 to launch his young life assisting in the design of the nuclear-powered submarine SSN 688 Los Angeles and the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier CVN 68 USS Nimitz.

Being Scots-Irish, the wanderlust took him in many new and exciting directions. He changed his career to designing nuclear power plants, ten total.

The life adventures took him from coast-to-coast, and finally to his beloved Georgia.

For forty-one years his wanderlust took him in search of the one place he knew he could "drop anchor", find peace and love, and say to himself, "I choose here to die".

While in Georgia, Johnny searched for nearly a year for that one place he could finally call home. And then he found it...an Italian Villa he would later name Villa Felicita.

As he would often say, "The last part of my life will be the best part of my life". And so it was. He prospered mightily upon this land.

Johnny was always fond of telling others, quoting Plato; "Treating everyone you meet with respect. For everyone you meet is fighting a great struggle".

As is the creed of the Scots-Irish, Johnny left us with; "Fight. Sing. Drink. Pray".

Johnny was also survived by his cousins, Paula Mitchell Zip, Charles Reed Mitchell, and Ina Mitchell Gatliff and his "best friend in life", Ralph Tiller.

A private family memorial will be scheduled at a later date. Arrangements by Wilson Funeral Home-J. Avery Bryan Chapel, Chickamauga.

# Tribute Wall

CS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Cynthia Saunders - November 22, 2018 at 06:43 PM

BM

“ Butch McGee lit a candle in memory of John Andrew Mealer



Butch McGee - April 11, 2017 at 02:57 PM

CS

“ Cynthia S. purchased a sympathy card for the family of John Andrew Mealer.



Cynthia S. - April 07, 2017 at 12:59 PM

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“ Cynthia Saunders sent a virtual gift in memory of John Andrew Mealer



Cynthia Saunders - April 07, 2017 at 12:08 PM

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Cynthia Saunders - April 07, 2017 at 12:06 PM

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Cynthia Saunders - April 07, 2017 at 12:05 PM

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*My heart was always yours*

Cynthia Saunders - April 07, 2017 at 12:11 PM

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Cynthia Saunders - April 07, 2017 at 12:04 PM

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“ Cynthia Saunders lit a candle in memory of John Andrew Mealer



Cynthia Saunders - April 07, 2017 at 12:01 PM

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*His favorite color was purple. This one is for you my love.*

**Cynthia Saunders** - April 07, 2017 at 12:03 PM

RW

“ *Worked with John for many years in Chattanooga. He had a way of keeping things interesting. A great man. Rest in peace old friend.*

**Randy wagon seller** - April 07, 2017 at 08:27 AM

RF

“ *John was a great guy. I worked with him for the past two or three years. He liked to say we dug Harlan coal together. Rest well, Boyd. May God grant you eternal peace.*

**Randy Farlett** - April 06, 2017 at 09:06 AM

ST

“ *Stephanie lit a candle in memory of John Andrew Mealer*



**Stephanie** - April 05, 2017 at 05:26 PM

DC

“ *Dallas And Sheila Cross sent a virtual gift in memory of John Andrew Mealer*



**Dallas and Sheila Cross** - April 05, 2017 at 12:08 PM



“ *Sheila Cross lit a candle in memory of John Andrew Mealer*



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**Sheila Cross** - April 05, 2017 at 12:06 PM