



John Savin La Fleur, Jr.

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John Savin La Fleur, Jr., 66, of Columbia, slept into the arms of Jesus on Sunday, December 2, 2018, at Boone Hospital Center in Columbia. Funeral services will be held on Friday, December 7, 2018, at H.T. May and Son Funeral Home in Columbia at 2:00 PM. Visitation will be from 12-2PM Friday at the funeral home.

Contributions towards services for John can be made at <https://fundthefuneral.com/john-savin-la-fleur-jr>.

John Savin La Fleur, Jr. was born on June 17, 1952, in Alexandria, LA to the late John Savin La Fleur, Sr. and Juanita La Fleur. He was the second eldest of 11 children, raised in Detroit, MI, where he attended St. Andrew's & Benedict School, as well as, schools in the Detroit Public School system. Later, John went on to pursue a career in Auto Mechanical Repair, obtaining his certification, becoming talented in multiple areas of expertise. Eventually, John moved from Detroit, MI to Columbia, MO in the mid 1980's, making it his permanent home.

John's tremendous love, passion, and thrill of race cars was undeniable to anyone that was blessed to know him. Throughout his career, he demonstrated his creativity and built many notable cars from scratch. However, we all know that two of them, "Goofy" and "Christine" were especially dear to him, being his all time favorites.

John had an amazing, charismatic personality with an infectious laugh which touched everyone he met. John's humor and generosity allowed him to make fast friends with anyone and to develop friendships that endured through time. John spent the majority of his life self-employed, and as a proud owner of multiple auto repair shops in Columbia throughout the years. John's auto shops were more than a business to him and to countless others; they were a safe place to relax, enjoy his hilarious jokes, to partake in amazing BBQ and endless conversation. Truly, John touched the lives of all that were fortunate enough to know and to love him.



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John leaves his devoted wife, Marsha Hayes- La Fleur to celebrate and cherish his memories. John's remarkable compassion and kind heart enabled him to share an unconditional fatherly love by birth or marriage with 7 children: Janel La Fleur of Detroit, MI, Kwame (Felecia) Baines of St. Louis, MO, Reginald (Cherish) Hayes, Damone Hayes both of Columbia, MO, Rahdika (Tristan) Swann of Stafford, VA, Ladonna Redden of San Antonio, TX, Daruis Hayes and his precious baby girl, J'na Hayes both of Columbia, Mo. Lovingly, he was the proud grandfather of 19 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

John also leaves to celebrate and cherish his memories, 6 sisters, Patricia Frierson of Las Vegas, NV, Mary Metcalf, Juanita Jackson, Deitra (Samuel) Crawford, all of Detroit, MI, Margaret (Richard) Small of Tucson, AZ, and Yolonda Chatman of Detroit, MI, and 1 brother, Ronald La Fleur of Washington D.C. He also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, and many beloved friends to celebrate and cherish his memories.

John joins his parents John and Juanita La Fleur, 2 sisters, Deborah Williams and Linda Harper, 2 brothers, Anthony and Paul La Fleur, and his oldest daughter Masean Gresham who preceded him in death into eternal life.



Events


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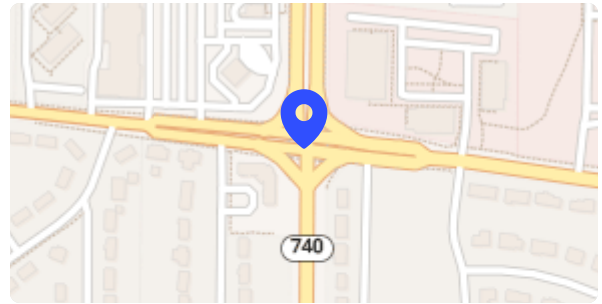
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Visitation

 **Friday**, December 7, 2018

 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT


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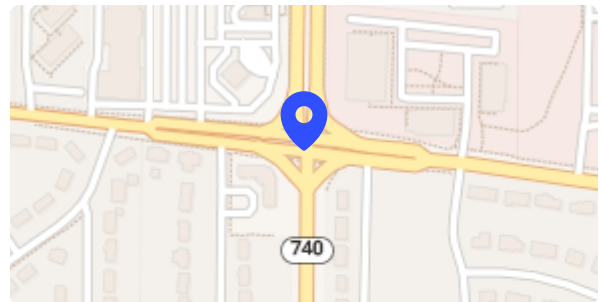


Service

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Tribute Wall

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Suzanne Bagby lit a candle in honor of John.



December 10 at 7:44 PM



Suzanne Bagby December 10 at 7:46 PM

I am so sorry for your loss. One thing I am sure of is God only picks the best for his garden. May God continue to keep you in his prayers.



Aunt Ada Ralph & Family sent a virtual gift in honor of John.



December 6 at 5:25 PM



Barbara Gordon lit a candle in honor of John.

I will always remember him and his daughter sledding on Redwood Avenue.. To Marsha & families Let Gods Holy word be soothing medicine to your broken heart.at this trying time. Love to you allBarbara Gordon



December 6 at 8:15 AM



Yolanda Wright lit a candle in honor of John.



December 5 at 8:11 AM



Gilda Johnson-Gragg lit a candle in honor of John.



December 5 at 4:29 AM



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AB

Ann Brown sent a virtual gift in honor of John.

December 5 at 2:08 AM



FP

Fran Poole lit a candle in honor of John.

December 4 at 7:37 PM



ND

Natalie Downing lit a candle in honor of John.

December 4 at 3:32 PM



ND

Natalie Downing December 4 at 3:35 PM

I never met him personally, but the way J'na talked about him I felt like I knew him for a long time. Sounded like a great man.



Tonya Turner lit a candle in honor of John.

December 4 at 1:17 PM



DC

Donna Coleman lit a candle in honor of John.

December 4 at 11:38 AM





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AJ

Alice Jackson lit a candle in honor of John.

I have so many wonderful memories with you it was great knowing you and having you be a part of me and my siblings life and for being a best friend to my day you will truly be missed

December 4 at 8:48 AM



CJ

Carolyn Jackson lit a candle in honor of John.

December 4 at 3:43 AM



JS

Jaime Smith lit a candle in honor of John.

December 4 at 2:55 AM



RH

Richard Hardiman sent a virtual gift in honor of John.

December 3 at 11:35 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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