



## John R. Dolinich

July 8, 1943 - January 14, 2026

John Randolph Dolinich, 82, of Kalkaska, passed away on Wednesday, January 14, 2026. He was born on July 8, 1943, in Romulus, Michigan to the late John and Helen (Harrison) Dolinich. John proudly served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a hardworking, dedicated, and honest man who valued a simple life. Above all, he was a loving husband and father. In his free time, John enjoyed golfing, fishing, and spending time with animals; you could always find a few dog treats in his pockets, just in case. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife Monica; his son Darren (Amanda) Dolinich; and his siblings-in-law, Jennifer (Scott) Kent and Sheldon Krall. Per John's wishes, no services will be held. The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to the staff of the Eden Center for their compassionate and excellent care. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

# Tribute Wall



“ Although not mentioned, my name is LoriJo and I am my uncle "Randy's"neice. MY mother, Mary Ohnstad, Is his biological sister. I remember a day when my uncle Randy and Aunt Monica took my cousin Darren and me to a baseball game, I had so much fun and it was an experience I had never had or have had since. It's such a great loss for many im sure and my heart goes out to you. He was always such a calm, cool and collective man with alot of patience and I cannot remember any time that he even raised his voice around me. He was very opposite of my aunt Monica, who was kind of scary to me. Rest in peace Uncle Randy. Now your with my grandma, your mother. Until we meet again. <3

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**Lori Ohnstad** - February 22 at 12:43 AM

TB

“ Thank you for allowing us to care for Mr. John. I spent many dinners with him and enjoyed his smile. I never had the chance to meet Monica, because I work evenings, but I know she was there every day, and the staff said you were a very devoted wife to John. My prayers are that you hold peace, knowing you did everything possible for John. He is missed daily. <3 <3

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**Tammy Birgy** - February 04 at 10:22 AM

MB

“ I just found out about John's passing. I am so sorry Monica and family. Monica you were so devoted to John I hope that gives you peace. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Margaret Birgy** - January 27 at 07:56 PM

MH

“ Monica I'm so sorry to hear of John's passing. Truly our deepest condolences

maxine hecimovich - January 20 at 07:18 AM

JS

“ John was an absolute gem of a human being. Even facing hardship he found it in himself to make others laugh and worry for others. It was an absolute honor to work with him and get to know him and Miss Monica. I'll miss you dearly John boy, rest easy brother.



Joseph Sherman - January 17 at 07:20 PM

CR

“ John was the sweetest man. He always made us laugh and his smile would light up a room. He will never be forgotten. Thank you for letting us care for him. You will always be family to us and it won't be the same without seeing you both every day. You were the best wife ever!  
Love, Cherry Republic ❤️

Charity Rosenberg - January 16 at 04:05 PM

AO

“ I was an honor to be able to care for John at KMHC. I will miss his smile. He will be missed. Thoughts and prayers to Monica and the family.

Alice Ottgen - January 15 at 06:00 PM

SW

“ *Monica, I am so sorry for your loss. We all loved you and John like family! I enjoyed many talks with John about Mr. Fritz! Please keep in touch and let me know if you need anything! Stacy Wildfong*

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**Stacy Wildfong** - January 15 at 05:13 PM

SH

“ *John was a joy ! He would ride his bike in our neighborhood saying hello and always had some treats for my neighbors dogs. Thoughts & Prayers to Monica & Family*

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**Sharon** - January 15 at 11:26 AM