



## Mr. John T. Steinmeyer

May 4, 1949 - September 17, 2024

John T. Steinmeyer, 75, Green Bay was re-united in Heaven with his wife Mary and welcomed by the Lord and his veteran brothers and sisters on Tuesday, September 17, 2024. John was born on May 4, 1949, in Hayward, WI the son of the now late Lester and Marjorie (Carley) Steinmeyer. He was a graduate of Hayward High School with the class of 1967. After graduation he was drafted into the United States Army and served with the 9th Infantry Division during the Vietnam War until his honorable discharge and came home to help on the family farm. As with so many Veterans, the effects of War caught up with John and he entered a facility in Topeka, Kansas for PTSD therapy, which changed his world for the better and through his therapy he was able to write over 400 poems and selected a few to publish as a book, called "The Rain". Numerous Veteran facilities offered this book for others and even as John was healing, he still made it a point to reach out and mentor other Veterans who were going through the same. On October 2, 1970, he married Mary Radka at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Murry, Wisconsin and together they had a daughter Michelle "Shelly". John and Mary eventually purchased the Steinmeyer family farm and continued to run and operate it until they sold it and moved to Green Bay in 1993. He loved riding his Harley motorcycle along side Mary and her "hog" as well as with his daughter and son-in-law and many dear friends-they always made memories. John was very talented and loved woodworking, making flag boxes, bowls, furniture and so many other things, but whatever he made, he generously gave it to

someone for them to enjoy. He loved breakfast and get togethers with his Veteran brothers and friends on Thursdays and Fridays. John was a kidney transplant recipient and although things didn't go well at first, through the efforts of his medical team and medicines, he lived a healthy life for another 10 years. He fell in love with Dachshunds and even wrote short stories about them-they truly captured John and Mary's heart. John and Mary were married for over 52 years together, Mary preceded him in death on February 22, 2023. John is survived by his daughter and son-in-law: Shelly and Fred Gilbreath, his 2 fur babies: Eli and Classy, his 5 siblings, along with 3 sisters-in-law and 1 brother-in-law on Mary's side and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by 1 sister: Marjorie, 1 brother: Joel.

Gathering of family and friends will be held from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at St. Agnes Catholic Church 1484 9th Street. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 A.M. with Rev. Quinn Mann officiating. Entombment at Fort Howard Chapel Mausoleum. The family would like to offer a special thank-you to Dave and Dianna, Ron, Ginger and boys and Gloria, along with Gary and Sue for all of their love, care and support shown to John-your kindness will never be forgotten. Also, a warm note of appreciation to the Green Bay Fire Department, Edenbrook Skilled Nursing Facility and the 2nd Floor ICU at Aurora Baycare Medical Center and Aurora Hospice for your compassion.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Howard Memorial Park

1350 N. Military Avenue  
Green Bay, WI 54303

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **25**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (cst)

Saint Agnes Catholic Church  
1484 9th Street  
Green Bay, WI 54303

## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **25**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (cst)

Saint Agnes Catholic Church  
1484 9th Street  
Green Bay, WI 54303

# Tribute Wall

PW

“ Pamela W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. John T. Steinmeyer.

Pamela W. - September 25, 2024 at 12:52 PM

LS

“ Love - Bill, Huong, and Sue purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mr. John T. Steinmeyer.



Love - Bill, Huong, and Sue - September 20, 2024 at 04:27 PM

LJ

“ Love Len & Inge Janssen purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. John T. Steinmeyer.



Love Len & Inge Janssen - September 20, 2024 at 07:51 AM

LJ

“ Love Len & Inge Janssen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. John T. Steinmeyer.

Love Len & Inge Janssen - September 20, 2024 at 07:51 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Mr. John T. Steinmeyer.*



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September 19, 2024 at 11:31 AM



“ *While Mom was staying in the hospital after my birth, John was the only member of our family to come visit her and I. Mom said that John would talk to her for a little bit, then kept returning to the nursery to see me.*

*He'd come back repeating, "Such a beautiful baby!"*

*He always brought me gifts whenever he was home on leave from Vietnam!*

*And while he was home on leave, he spent hours just sitting in his Buick, listening to the radio. I'd knock on the car door, and he'd let me inside. Years later, I asked him why he let join him. He said, "Because you never wanted anything and you understood that I needed silence."*

*John danced with me during the Daddy/Daughter Dance at my wedding reception when our father was absent.*

*"Miss you! Wish you were here!"*

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**Jenny** - September 19, 2024 at 07:53 AM

KH

*John and Mary and my husband Bob and I were very close friends years ago. I loved his sense of humor and I loved looking and admiring the beautiful wooden projects he would make. I have a beautiful table that he made for me and I will treasure it always. Mary and John are together now.*

*Always know that we loved you both.💕💕*

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**Karon Heagle** - September 19, 2024 at 04:37 PM

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“ 4 files added to the album Pictures



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**Jenny** - September 19, 2024 at 07:43 AM