



John J. Perales

September 29, 1957 - December 9, 2017

John J. Perales, 60, of Keene Valley, N.Y., passed away unexpectedly on Dec. 9, 2017. John was born on Sept. 29, 1957, in Lancaster, Calif., to Mary Louise and John Perales. John moved to Denver, Colo., very early in his life. John graduated from Central Catholic High School in Denver, Colo., in 1975. Following high school, John began his food service career. John was a long time employee of the Marriott Corporation at different locations, including Denver, Germany, and most recently Lake Placid. John's leadership and mentoring skills were evident while holding various chef positions throughout his career. John had an amazing work ethic, often times working 6 to 7 days a week up to 14 hours a day.

John was happiest when he was utilizing his cooking skills to make others happy, either at work or at home. John's Native American heritage was extremely important to him, as evidenced by his tattoos and hair style. John was an avid Oakland Raiders and Oakland Athletics fan, and was a very talented gardener. John's smile, laughter, and generosity will never be forgotten.

John is survived by his loving, long time girlfriend, Kelly Hall of Keene Valley; his beloved children, John J. Perales Jr., and his partner Joey, of Denver, Colo., David Perales, and Emily Perales of Oakland, Calif. John is also survived by his brothers, Joe, Paul and Michael and a sister, Christina Macias and their families. He was predeceased by his parents, and a brother, Estevan Macias.

A celebration of John's life will be held at a later date. Service details will be announced. To send John's family a written expression of sympathy or share a memory, please go to his on-line guestbook at www.healdfuneralhomeinc.com

Comments



“ Dear Kelly and family:
Sincerely sadden by your loss. May God strengthen you all during this difficult time.
God Bless and take care.

Chris Segard Bessen

Chris Segard Bessen - January 07, 2018 at 11:43 AM



“ Dear Kelly and family,
Our deepest condolences for your lost. John's laughter and funny moments will always be remembered. May he rest in peace and you and your family are blessed with courage and strengths to move on. Will be thinking of you and pray for you.
Love,
Priscilla and Nils

Priscilla Karsten - December 20, 2017 at 08:33 AM



“ My condolences to John's family and loved ones. I had the privilege of working with John at Denver Marriott Southeast . He was a talented individual and will be missed.
Rest in peace John.

John Trujillo - December 19, 2017 at 07:50 PM



“ To John's family: I had the pleasure of working with John in Denver at the Marriott. Such a nice, fun, warm good humored kind of guy. So many fun memories. So sorry for your pain. He has left us here way too soon.

Lara Regnault - December 19, 2017 at 03:31 PM



“ We were back home visiting and John asked us to Breakfast. After we ate he would not let us pay and was so pleased he could do something for us. Kelly he loved you so, very obvious as to why he wanted to please us for you.
John we will miss you. Randy Hall and Family.

Randy Hall - December 19, 2017 at 03:02 PM



“ We will miss John's laughter, smile, and heart! His love and warmth will be with us always!



Ann Vanatta Gutierrez - December 19, 2017 at 01:26 PM



“ Kelly I was in shock when I learned about this. John loved you very much. Even though I only worked with him one day a week he always had kind things to say about you and his children.

glen cameron - December 18, 2017 at 08:31 PM



“ Kelly and Family:
So sorry for your loss.
With sympathy and caring,
Donna Reed Austin
Keene



DONNA REED AUSTIN - December 17, 2017 at 07:20 AM



“ My condolences! My name is Fr. John Yonkovig from St. Brendan's in Keene and St. Agnes in Lake Placid. So sorry to hear of John's sudden death. Kelly Hall has attempted to reach me but the number I was given 304-204-0491 is no longer working according to the phone message. I will try Heald's Funeral Home on Sunday to see if I can get a better contact number. Fr. John
518-523-2200

Fr. John - December 16, 2017 at 09:33 PM



“ Miss John's Spence of humor at work ... He was one of the kind and when you mentioned Kelly his eyes had a sparkle like no other !! John you fly like the wind and send us love from above...

Carla - December 18, 2017 at 05:42 PM



“ Sorry to hear of this Kelly. My thoughts are with you.
Tex

Al Turner - December 18, 2017 at 07:32 PM



“ Oh Mr. Perales! You will be missed! Even though over the last couple of years, we have seen each other only for a few quick visits--our hotel connections spanned over many years and they hold such special memories. We discussed many of life's happenings--some sad some very, very special and some too crazy to mention. Your love of life, family and friends kept you going even when it got tough. I will always remember our trip to Black Hawk with Nils when he visited and was here over St. Patrick's Day several years back. Trooping around up there in our "greenery" was very special and the laughs will always be treasured.

Kelly, you made him very happy and I am so happy that he had you in his life. Love to you and sending my positive thoughts your way.

Karen

Karen McGraner - December 19, 2017 at 11:56 AM



“ Kelly and family. My sincerest condolences. After working with John for over a decade, we got to know each other well. It was always a pleasure working with John and that's not something that comes easily when working at the Marriott. His "special" sense of humor will be missed by all that worked with him. Rest in peace Johnny.

jeff b - December 19, 2017 at 11:36 PM



“ Deepest Condolences Kelly and family. I learned so much from Johnny during our time working together and was fortunate enough to hear his stories of adventure while working for Marriott. He could always lighten the mood and a busy day went by with laughter. John was always there to lend a hand and offer guidance based on his years of experience. I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to work side by side with John, may he Rest In Peace.

Russell Shearer - December 21, 2017 at 12:17 PM