



## John P. "Pat" Hassler

September 3, 1944 - September 8, 2024

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, September 12, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Stephen Catholic Church in Exeter, Nebraska with Father Brendan Kelly presiding.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with family present from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Farmer Funeral Home in Exeter, Nebraska.

Military Graveside Services will be conducted following the Funeral Mass at the Exeter Cemetery in Exeter, Nebraska.

Memorials are to be directed to the Exeter American Legion - Post 218 or St. Stephen Catholic Church.

John Patrick Hassler, 80, of Lincoln, Nebraska, passed away peacefully on September 8, 2024, surrounded by his family. Born in Friend, Nebraska, on September 3, 1944, John was the beloved son of John Francis and Elaine Elizabeth (Becker) Hassler. He grew up in a close-knit community, attending St. Stephens Catholic School and Exeter High School, before continuing his education at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the Lincoln School of Commerce.

On October 15, 1966, John married the love of his life, Sharon Kay (Hall), and for 58 years together they built a beautiful family, raising three children: Kathryn, Rebecca, and John Michael. John served his country with pride as a member of the U.S. Army from December 1966 to 1969, spending a memorable year stationed in Korea from 1967 to 1968.

A dedicated civil servant, John retired after 43 years of service with the State of Nebraska, working for both the Auditor's Office and the Department of Revenue. He was deeply respected by colleagues and county officials alike, not only for his work ethic but for his generosity as a mentor and friend. His dedication was recognized by being named an Admiral in the Great Navy of the State of Nebraska, an honor he treasured.

John's passions extended beyond his professional life. He was an avid woodworker, known for spending countless hours in his workshop crafting furniture and projects for those he loved. His meticulous attention to detail was unmatched, and there wasn't a tool he didn't own. When he wasn't in the shop, you could find John working in his yard or garden, a true farmer at heart, or enjoying the simple pleasure of watching the birds from his deck.

Family was John's greatest joy. He delighted in attending his children's and grandchildren's events, whether it was sports, dance, or horse riding. His pride in them was evident to all who knew him. John's kind and generous spirit was always at the forefront—he was the first to lend a helping hand to anyone in need, whether family, friends, neighbors, or strangers.

John was a proud member of the American Legion and a parishioner at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ, where his faith was an important part of his life. His legacy of love, kindness, and hard work will live on in the hearts of his family and all who were fortunate to know him.

He is survived by his loving wife, Sharon; his children, Kathryn (Eric) Seiboldt of Omaha, Rebecca (Matt) Kempston of Lincoln, and John "Mike" Hassler of Lincoln; six adoring grandchildren, Cassandra Seiboldt of Lincoln, Jessica Seiboldt of Bentonville, AR, Chelsea (Reece) Hyland of Lincoln, Cole Kempston, Addison Kempston, and Paityn Hassler, all of Lincoln; sister-in-law Kay Hassler, nephew Riley (Katy) Hassler, sister-in-law Sandra (Jim) Horne, brother-in-law Roger (Susan) Hall, and brother-in-law Randy (Stacey) Hall, along with many cherished in-laws, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents, John and Elaine, and his brother, Tom.

The family wishes to thank the wonderful doctors and nurses at Cancer Partners of Nebraska and Bryan East Hospital for their exceptional care and compassion.

John's life was a testament to service, love, and kindness. He will be dearly missed, but his legacy will live on in the hearts of all who knew him.

# Cemetery Details

## Exeter Cemetery

Exeter, NE 68351

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 11. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Farmer Funeral Home  
305 South Burlington Avenue  
Exeter, NE 68351  
(402) 266-3621  
<https://farmerandsonfuneralhome.com>

## Family Present for Visitation

SEP 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Farmer Funeral Home  
305 South Burlington Avenue  
Exeter, NE 68351  
(402) 266-3621  
<https://farmerandsonfuneralhome.com>

## Mass Of Christian Burial

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SEP **12.** 10:30 AM (CT)

Saint Stephen Catholic Church  
207 N Union Ave  
Exeter, NE 68351  
(402) 266-5581

# Tribute Wall

KJ

“ Sympathy and prayers to your family! I met John years ago when he was working with the Dept of Revenue. I am currently the Register of Deeds for Buffalo County and was the Deputy at that time. We loved working with John -- we respected him -- his work and knowledge. . We had some fun and laughs along the way. May God Bless you and guide you in the days ahead! Kellie John

Kellie John - September 13, 2024 at 12:27 PM



“ 41 files added to the album Flower Arrangements



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - September 12, 2024 at 09:41 PM

BK

“ Barbara, Ken, and Chase Kelly purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John P. "Pat" Hassler.



Barbara, Ken, and Chase Kelly - September 11, 2024 at 11:44 PM

BK

“ Barbara, Ken, and Chase Kelly planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John P. "Pat" Hassler.

Barbara, Ken, and Chase Kelly - September 11, 2024 at 11:44 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of John P. "Pat" Hassler.



September 11, 2024 at 03:51 PM

YM

“ Your Colleagues at INSPRO, MMA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John P. "Pat" Hassler.

Your Colleagues at INSPRO, MMA - September 11, 2024 at 03:51 PM

TF

“ The Gabelhouse Family purchased the With Distinction for the family of John P. "Pat" Hassler.



The Gabelhouse Family - September 10, 2024 at 03:48 PM

TF

“ The Gabelhouse Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John P. "Pat" Hassler.

The Gabelhouse Family - September 10, 2024 at 03:48 PM

TF

“ The Okemba Family purchased the Blue Caribbe an Bouquet for the family of John P. "Pat" Hassler.



The Okemba Family - September 10, 2024 at 03:34 PM

DM

“ Diane Meiners purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John P. "Pat" Hassler.



Diane Meiners - September 10, 2024 at 01:28 PM

DM

“ Diane Meiners planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John P. "Pat" Hassler.

Diane Meiners - September 10, 2024 at 01:28 PM

DF

“ Dennis, Patty, Tamra, Haley and families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John P. "Pat" Hassler.



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**Dennis, Patty, Tamra, Haley and families** - September 10, 2024 at 12:37 PM

DF

“ Dennis, Patty, Tamra, Haley and families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John P. "Pat" Hassler.

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**Dennis, Patty, Tamra, Haley and families** - September 10, 2024 at 12:37 PM

YF

“ Your Super Saver Pine Lake Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of John P. "Pat" Hassler.



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**Your Super Saver Pine Lake Family** - September 10, 2024 at 12:32 PM

YF

“ Your Super Saver Pine Lake Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John P. "Pat" Hassler.

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**Your Super Saver Pine Lake Family** - September 10, 2024 at 12:32 PM

ML

“ MICKEY AND JOE LUTJEHARMS purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John P. "Pat" Hassler.



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**MICKEY AND JOE LUTJEHARMS** - September 10, 2024 at 06:37 AM

ML

“ MICKEY AND JOE LUTJEHARMS planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John P. "Pat" Hassler.

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**MICKEY AND JOE LUTJEHARMS** - September 10, 2024 at 06:37 AM

GR

“ Our condolences to you Sharon and family. We remember lots of fun times with your family at Hill school and during the growing up years with your kids. Our prayers are with you and yours. Sincerely Roger and Genny Reisner. Chad sends his thoughts also.

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**Genevieve Reisner** - September 09, 2024 at 10:38 PM

JS

“ Rick and I were neighbors of John a Sharon for many Almost 30 years. Rick loved to talk with John and if I was looking for Rick I knew where I would find him —over talking with John. Now the 2 of them are laughing together and telling stories. Rest in Peace John!!!! Jean Hollmann Searcy

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**Jean Hollmann Searcy** - September 09, 2024 at 07:28 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of John P. "Pat" Hassler.



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September 09, 2024 at 06:12 PM



“ Lucid Hearing planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John P. "Pat" Hassler.

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Lucid Hearing - September 09, 2024 at 06:12 PM



“ I'll never forget during Junior High and High School when your dad used watch MASH all of the time and he would just sit and laugh and laugh!

There are literally no words to express how very sorry I am. Hugs and love to you all ❤️

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Jen Handley - September 09, 2024 at 02:15 PM



“ Roger & Susan Hall & family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John P. "Pat" Hassler.



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Roger & Susan Hall & family - September 09, 2024 at 02:14 PM

RF

“ Roger & Susan Hall & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John P. "Pat" Hassler.

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**Roger & Susan Hall & family** - September 09, 2024 at 02:14 PM

LE

“ Kathy and family, I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. May God wrap you in his loving arms and grant you peace. The Eichingers, Pat, Lisa, Matt and Melissa

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**Lisa J Eichinger** - September 09, 2024 at 01:48 PM