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John Carl Roszell Jr. of Fort Myers, Florida passed away suddenly following some recent health challenges with his loving family by his side on Thursday, December 18, 2014. He was 70 years old. John was born on April 29, 1944 in Cincinnati, Ohio, the proud son of Ellen V. (Jones) and John Carl Roszell Sr. He was a coach and educator for over 45 years and was most proud to have served as Vice Principal of Fort Myers High School. He was also a man with strong moral convictions and an even deeper faith in his Savior, our Lord, Jesus. So strong was his faith that John received a vocation to deliver the good news and serve the faithful congregation as a Deacon at his place of worship. He leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife of 50 years Lynda Ann (Biggs) Roszell; his children Stephanie Lynn Martin (Greg), Toni Rhodes (Thad), John C. Roszell III (Tiffany) and Jacqueline Roszell (Joe); his grandchildren Kirby and Clay Martin, Payton Rhodes, Laci and Wyatt Roszell and Caitlyn, Emily and Madison Farley; his sisters Patricia Ramsey (Jim) of Colorado, Jackie Grooms (Kenny) of Tennessee, Jean Bedel (Steve) of Indiana; his brothers Robert Roszell (Marilyn) of Ohio; Thomas Roszell (Sally) of Lehigh Acres and Joseph Roszell (Nancy) of Jacksonville. He also leaves behind many extended family members and numerous friends who will miss his company along with countless former students who benefitted from his instruction and care. Sadly, he was preceded in death by his parents. A Memorial Service will be celebrated by Pastor Leonard Anderson at 4:00 PM on Sunday, January 4, 2015 at Parkway Baptist Church, 6211 Briarcliff Road, Fort Myers, Florida 33912. (239) 481-8080. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you instead consider a donation in John's memory that will be used to fund a student scholarship. Donations can be made at any SunTrust Bank location by referencing account # 1000175095875. Those who wish to leave a tribute for John or offer condolences to the family are urged to visit his memorial webpage at www.fortmyersmemorial.com and sign the guestbook.



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BT

Bill Toney posted:

Coach Roszell was a great teacher that everyone respected because he took every situation & made it a teaching moment when he was in the classroom, coaching sports or monitoring the halls. I remember he didn't just tell you to do something, but explained why. A true teacher in the holistic sense.

January 11 at 5:46 PM

SS

Steve Sentes, Sr. posted:

John was an outstanding person and one of the nicest people you will ever meet. He was always supportive and had kind words for everyone. He will truly be missed. Steve Sentes, Sr.

January 5 at 2:08 PM

NH

Natasha Hodge posted:

MY CONDOLENCES FOR YOU FATHER JACKIE...HE WAS KNOWN AND LOVED BY ALL....HE WAS AN AWESOME INSPIRATION WHEN WE ATTENDED ESTERO HIGH!!! YOUR FAMILY IS IN OUR PRAYERS!!
NATASHA (WILBON) HODGE

January 5 at 10:14 AM

PL

Pam Lariviere posted:

Dear Lynda and family, I was so saddened to hear of John's passing. The character of him and your family has been a blessing to so many. I'm praying that you'll be comforted with the Blessed Hope we have in Christ Jesus. Without Him, there is no hope. With deepest sympathy, Pam LaRiviere

January 5 at 8:44 AM

LP

Lisa Pennington posted:

Lit a candle in memory of John Carl Roszell

January 5 at 5:49 AM



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HH

Hoppy Hoptar posted:

John was a special person. He always went the extra to help kids. I worked in the a district for 42 years and it was always great to go back to FMHS and spent time talking with John. My prayers go out to all of the family. He will be missed by all.

January 4 at 6:01 AM

GI

Ginny posted:

Can't imagine what you are going through. I will continue prayer requests for you and the family during this most difficult time. Love ya...Steph.

January 3 at 3:36 PM

PG

Patrick Gallagher posted:

To the Roszells, my wife Rhonda and I send our heart felt condolences for your loss! John we had a good run at FMHS and I have many fond memories of our time there. (There was this one time, nah I won't go there!) You set a great example as a professional in your work and u were respected. You taught me many things about life, baseball and most of all, how to deal with educators, you were my mentor, without you this cop wouldn't have lasted long at FMHS! You will be missed my friend. They say imitation is the greatest form of flattery, well you need to look no farther than your kids! Love ya John!!

January 3 at 9:08 AM

JB

Jeff Bowditch posted:

A great encourager of us all. He meant a lot to me and I will greatly miss him. Hope I can be an encourager to other young educators like he was to me. Jeff Bowditch

January 2 at 5:30 PM

LB

Linda Bogner posted:

My thought and prayers go out to you and your family Lynda. My daughter, Kim Berry with Lincare, also sends her condolences. Linda Bogner

December 31 at 10:51 AM



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JR

Jack Ryan posted:

I have so many fond memories of John Roszell. What a great man, husband, father, friend and colleague. You will be so missed by the FMHS family. Thanks so much Jack Ryan

December 26 at 6:43 PM

GS

Gayle Sassano posted:

My sincere condolences. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family lynda. Gayle sassano

December 22 at 7:41 PM

LS

Luanne Sutton posted:

Dear Roszell Family ~ I have such fond memories of "Coach" at Cypress Lake H.S. Then to see him again as my own kids were at Fort Myers H.S. was such a treat. Please accept my love and prayers for your grief. Sincerely, Luanne Armstrong Sutton

December 22 at 3:24 PM

MK

Mj Cummings -Kempf posted:

One of the most memorable teachers ever... His spunk and odd sense of humour... This saddens me...EHS class of 94..... RIP my friend...

December 22 at 3:22 PM

ER

Erin posted:

Thank you Coach Roszell for being a great Drivers Ed teacher! You made it fun and always made me laugh! Rest in peace. Love, Erin Thomas Junkin

December 22 at 2:43 PM

CY

Christine Young posted:

So sorry to hear about your family's loss. We hope you are comforted by all of your wonderful memories of Coach. Matthew 5:4 Love, David and Chris Young

December 22 at 2:32 PM



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SG

Scott Guttery posted:

I remember John during his final years as an assistant principal at FMHS. He loved his job, the students he served, and his family. He was so proud of his kids! The love of Jesus shined through him. The Green Wave family will greatly miss Mr. Roszell.

December 22 at 2:20 PM

TT

Terry Thimlar posted:

Our sincere condolences, along with our thoughts and prayers, are with the Roszell family at this very difficult time. Coach Hugh Thimlar, Terry and Shelly Thimlar

December 22 at 1:59 PM

MB

Maureen Barbuto posted:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to you all. May you find strength in knowing that he is with the Lord and that you will all be together again. He will be missed. The Barbutos

December 22 at 1:51 PM

KM

Kim McGlohon posted:

To the Roszell family, I was so sorry to hear about John. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Kim And Tom McGlohon

December 22 at 10:48 AM

DB

Don Barnett posted:

When I retired from the Army I began my teaching career at FMHS and John helped me transition from being an Army professional to an education professional. Thanks John for being a great man in word and deed. Condolences to a great family from the Barnett s

December 22 at 8:06 AM

MD

Michael Duttko posted:

A great man. Always busted me for playing around in class, but treated me like it mattered to him I pay attention and learn something. Always saw potential in me. Much respect.

December 21 at 3:49 PM



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KW

Kass Vincent Whidden posted:

I spent many a day at Coach and Mrs. Roszell's house hanging out with Jackie and as a student at Estero High School in science and driver's ed. He was a great teacher and was always welcoming of us kids in his house. Hugs and prayers to the entire family!

December 21 at 3:07 PM

ER

Emery Rolfes posted:

John will be missed by the class of 62 at WHHS (Harrison High). I have many fond memories of John. He was a teammate and good friend on the football team and a great baseball player! Rest in Peace John. Emery Rolfes class of 62

December 21 at 1:16 PM

CN

Cyndy Nugent posted:

I had the privilege and honor to work with John at Ft Myers High . He was an amazing assistant principal who held his students and staff in high regards and went the extra mile to help them in anyway he could. He was one of a kind and will be missed .

December 20 at 3:39 PM

TP

Tom Patton posted:

I remember a few conversations we shared early in my career while camping with everyone. You were a great listener and had an honest perspective on things. God bless you Coach and prayers to your family.

December 20 at 3:37 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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