



John S. Melvin Sr.

November 23, 1948 - July 31, 2022

John S. Melvin, Sr., 73, of Delmar, passed away Sunday, July 31, 2022, at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional in Salisbury. He was born November 23, 1948, in Cambridge, a son of the late Clarence and Evelyn Gray Melvin. John started his career with the Pennsylvania Railroad at a young age and retired after 42 years of service. He was a dedicated provider to his family and loved his life working as an engineer and later a Train master, finishing his career with Norfolk Southern Railroad. John was a long-time member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and ran the safety committee for many years for the whole Eastern Shore. He will be remembered for his love of NASCAR, fishing, spending time in the Outer Banks, watching Motor Trend on TV with his loyal pup Padme' and for the special place he held in his heart for his grandson, Ryan.

He is survived by his dedicated wife of 43 years, Regina "Jean" Melvin; children, John Melvin, Jr. (Teresa) of N. Chesterfield, VA, Christy Parsons (David) of Delmar, Jeff Melvin (Laura) of Delmar, Jared Melvin (Andrea) of Hamilton, VA, Jennifer Melvin of Bel Air, MD, Michael Melvin (Andrea) of Denver, NC, Christine Melvin of Delmar, John Honess of Delmar and Riley Honess of Hebron, MD; brothers, Norris Melvin (Charlotte) and Bill Melvin (Edna); a sister-in-law, Phyllis Melvin; grandsons Ryan and Nathan; granddaughters Ava, Julia and Nora and numerous other grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Richard

"Snooky" Gray.

Services will be held privately.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *John S. Melvin Sr.*

January 29, 2023 at 01:28 PM



“ *I met John at the railroad, like so many, but I was blessed to get to know him beyond what he did at work.*

I would hang out with him and his conductor before they left the office to get on the train. John was a great story teller and was passionate when talking about his family, vacation trips, motor sports and local Delmar sports. He had a fun spirit and a mischievous grin when he was teasing someone and he was waiting for them to realize it.

Rest in peace, John, and thank you for the memories. Scott Harris.

Scott Harris - August 21, 2022 at 01:08 PM



“ *John and my brother Alvin used to hang around when they were kids ,I have a picture of them playing cards on our front porch,lots of good memories. I send his family prayers that God will comfort you at this time of loss,,Doris Brittingham Legates*

Doris Legates - August 04, 2022 at 11:45 AM



“ *Doris Legates lit a candle in memory of John S. Melvin Sr.*



Doris Legates - August 04, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *Memories 44" Sonnet was purchased for the family of John S. Melvin Sr..*



August 03, 2022 at 10:29 AM



“ *John Sydney Melvin .. Our Father had an Uncle Who he admired Named John Sydney that is how Johnny got his name ... Our Dad.. Johnny.. Bill and I all worked for the Railroad . Johnny was able to accomplish more with his railroad career than the rest of us... He became my Boss this made me very proud of him (most of the time) Love you Bro and going to miss you His oldest Brother Norris*



Norris Melvin - August 02, 2022 at 06:02 PM



“ *Always a friend, always in my heart.*

Margie Wilson - August 02, 2022 at 03:32 PM

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“ *The McCullough Family purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of John S. Melvin Sr..*



The McCullough Family - August 02, 2022 at 01:41 PM



“ *Mr.John was our land lord from 2004 till 2012
.When we first moved in Mr.John was still
working for the rail raod he was a conductor
driving the train .and when Mr.JOHN
RETIRED ON THE WEEKENDS WE WOULD
GO TO PHILLIPS LANDING AND RACE LITTLE RC BOATS. OR
SOMETIMES Mr.John would come on the golf kart with Ryan and
talk with my husband and sometimes MRS.JEAN WOULD BE WITH
Mr.JOHN AND RYAN.AND AT CHRISTMAS TIME I WOULD HAVE
THE WHOLE HOUSE AND YARD DECORATED ANDMr.John
would tease Me and say it's not hard to find 907 East state street in
Delmar.Mr.JOHN ,ALSO LIKE SPENDING TIME WITH HIS FAMILY
IN NORH CAROLINA WITH JEAN AND FAMILY AND HE WOULD
COME OVER AND TELL US IF THEY HAD WENT FISHING
WHILE THEY AT OBX.IN NORTH CAROLINA.MR.JOHN WILL BE
MISSED BY SO MANY.*



Patricia Collingsworth - August 01, 2022 at 08:25 PM



“ *Patricia Collingsworth lit a candle in memory
of John S. Melvin Sr.*



Patricia Collingsworth - August 01, 2022 at 07:53 PM