



# John J. "Jack" Cabry

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**J**ohn J. "Jack" Cabry of Rehoboth Beach died on Saturday, June 27, 2015 at home with his wife of 39 years, Joanne, by his side. He was born on August 30, 1935 in Philadelphia, son of the late John J. and Anna (Coll) Cabry.

Jack attended East Stroudsburg State University in Pennsylvania on the GI bill and earned a Master's degree at the University of Pennsylvania. He spent 40 years as a teacher, principal and headmaster in schools in Pennsylvania, Virginia and Maryland. He loved working with young people and spent the last 17 years of his career teaching Language Arts at Landon School in Bethesda, Maryland.

Jack loved to travel and he especially enjoyed the many trips he and Joanne took to Ireland and the Finger Lakes of New York. Jack also enjoyed classical music and jazz, the theater, playing tennis and squash, and rooting for the Washington Nationals.

In addition to his wife, Jack is survived by three daughters, Julia Cabry, Wendy Rayner and Brigid Nelson; five grandchildren; brother Michael (Joan) Cabry; sisters Nancy (Herb) Shellender and Trish (Gene) Stabinski; his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Jack and Arlene Kilcoyne; sister-in-law, Mary Fitzsimmons; and dozens of nephews, nieces, grandnieces and grandnephews.

A celebration of Jack's life will be held on his birthday, Sunday August 30, 2015. Details will be sent to family and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made in Jack's memory to the Community Resource Center, 37510 Oyster House Road, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971 ([www.rehobothcommunitycenter.org](http://www.rehobothcommunitycenter.org)) or a charity of your choice.

Please sign Jack's guestbook located on this site.

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## Tribute Wall

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**Patricia H** posted:

Uncle Jackie was the most kindest & gentle man. He will always be in our hearts ❤️ Love Kevin & Patty H.

January 26 at 9:14 PM



**Ted Anderson** posted:

My name is Ted Anderson I lived two doors away from Jack in South Philly, we were best friends and played football and baseball together Jack played shortstop and I played third base. I have been thinking about him recently for no particular reason so I Googled him and feel so bad that he has passed. I last saw Jack 32 years ago when my wife threw a 50th birthday party for me and Jack attended, I teared up when I saw Jack at the party and I am very emotional now after learning of his death but have very fond memories of our boyhood together. We drifted apart over the years which I really regret now I am so sorry as I had a faint hope I would locate him. My deepest sympathy to his family. Ted Andersonteddy.ballgame@live.com

November 30 at 1:47 PM



**Temple Grassi** posted:

I just heard today about Jack's death. I was a colleague of his at Landon for many years. What a fabulous teacher he was. He genuinely cared about each and every student. Jack, Al Symons, and I team taught the 5th grade. We met every morning at 7am to talk about the students. We all had different styles of teaching, but we were together as a team. The boys were better off for it. We retired together in 2000, went our separate ways, and now he's gone but not forgotten. Mr Cabry, RIP

September 18 at 8:00 PM



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MM

**Mary Fitzsimmons (Mimi)** posted:

I remember those giddy days in 1976 when you two first met. You delighted in each other's company and quickly established a firm bond that has lasted for four decades. Those early days were full of discoveries and shared interests. You spent those early days making discoveries about each other. You soon learned you were both educators who liked to travel during your summers off. One interest Jack had to pull you into was the world of house investments which turned out to be the right direction for you both. Buying your first beach house in 1977 didn't turn out too badly for your families either. Jack's Mom and Dad enjoy their stays in September when they had the place to themselves. My kids and I had many happy times at that first beach house. Megan is still sore at you for selling "her" house. Hard to believe that we spent so much time there without a TV or even a phone but we did and had fun in the bargain. Still have fun happy memories of those times. The kids looked forward to our Christmas Eves together and your generous gifts to them (except for the sleeping bags, mea culpa). Jack was more interested in the dinner menu of chicken and dumplings but food was an important part of his life. In fact the boy from South Phillie had a lifelong aim to remain a part of the culture that shaped him but also to expand beyond it to include classical music, distant places, good food, and fine wine. Jack was a large man who aimed always to grow granded in all ways but never to lose the fun in life while doing it. His story of growth, love and happiness was only possible because you supported and enabled his plans and dreams. Joanne, you and Jack forged a strong team and I congratulate you! Mimi

July 22 at 8:00 PM

MM

**Mary Anne Murtha** posted:

Uncle Jackie was a kind and generous man, he was loved by us all. His death has made all our hearts sad.

July 6 at 8:00 PM

JO

**Janet Orlando** posted:

My sincere condolences, Joanne. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. With love, Janet

July 5 at 8:00 PM

MB

**Maureen Baer** posted:

Uncle Jackie was an incredible man and touched the lives of so many in his life. You will be missed.

July 4 at 8:00 PM



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CC

**Colleen M. Cabry** posted:

To the best uncle anyone would have loved to of had. You are truly missed. Love you.

July 4 at 8:00 PM

MC

**Mary Beth Crafts** posted:

Dear Joanne,So very sorry to hear about Jack. Please know that you both are in my thoughts and prayers.Sincerely,Mary Beth

June 30 at 8:00 PM

SA

**Scott Andres** posted:

My heartfelt condolences to the family.

June 30 at 8:00 PM

DC

**Dan And Nancy Clancy** posted:

Dear Joanne,Our hearts are heavy with the news of Jack's death.We will miss his humor at the Y.Nancy And Dan

June 29 at 8:00 PM

CY

**Carol And Walt Yatko** posted:

Condolences to our Friend Jack from the YMCA Rehoboth Arobics water swim.. We'll miss our pal Jack and his wisdom and friendship. God bless Him and family

June 29 at 8:00 PM

DS

**Dick & Sherri** posted:

We send our thoughts and love to you Joanne. Let's plan to go out a little later this summer.

June 29 at 8:00 PM



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KM

**Kathy McGuinness** posted:

Thoughts and prayers with you.

June 29 at 8:00 PM

JW

**Judy Walsh** posted:

Nobody knows where we go when we leave, but we are sure much remains. May everyone who knew Jack grow in his kind way, his sweet sense of humor, his intimacy with animals, his willingness to seek justice. Coltrane said "You can play a shoestring if you are sincere." Jack played well. Love to you, old friend

June 29 at 8:00 PM

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AJ

**Anne & Jean** posted:

We have many fond and funny memories of political dinners and occasions when Jack and Jean sat in a corner and talked about anything but politics while I was following Joanne's lead on any kind of action. Not sure I will get Jean to anymore without Jack. Goodbye old friend, we will miss you

June 29 at 8:00 PM

DS

**Dan Stabinski** posted:

We will miss you Uncle Jack

June 29 at 8:00 PM

AP

**Anne Daher Pyle** posted:

39 years. You were both blessed. When the sadness fades, the laughter and joy will return--tenfold. God bless!

June 29 at 8:00 PM



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TS

**Trish & Gene Stabinski** posted:

Jack, I miss you already. You were an inspiration to your little sister and everyone that knew you. Till me meet again in heaven, may you rest in peace God bless you.

June 29 at 8:00 PM

DM

**Donna And Marty** posted:

We will miss Jack on our visits to Delaware. I remember tennis matches, family picnics, his sense of humor, his appetite for good Polish food, and love for his family (and his dogs)! We will always keep him in our thoughts and prayers and be grateful he shared in our lives.

June 29 at 8:00 PM

JE

**Jeremy** posted:

Thirty years ago this summer I was preparing to start my first year at Landon in Mr. Cabry's sixth grade class. He made me feel welcomed. I always appreciated his generosity and interest in my life whether teaching me how to play squash when I was 12 years old at Yates Field House, attending my Saturday piano competitions during my teenage years, and, most recently, wanting to know how my career was progressing. He played a defining role in shaping the person I am today.

June 29 at 8:00 PM

RJ

**Robert And Jane** posted:

Although we only know Jack for a short time (too short), we are so glad and honoured to have the opportunity to have met him. We have very fond memories of Jack and that will be always with us.

June 29 at 8:00 PM

JK

**Jack Kilcoyne** posted:

One of the truly good people I ever knew. Jack once told me that his dog, Gabe, taught him this. "No matter what life brings you, kick some grass over that shit and move on." Don't forget Joanne--Have fun!

June 28 at 8:00 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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