

## John L. Gallagher

July 31, 1947 - November 18, 2023

John L. Gallagher, 76, of Amsterdam, passed away unexpectedly Saturday, November 18, 2023.

A son of the late Harold and Helen Geddes Gallagher Savage, he was born July 31, 1947 in Canton, Ohio.

John was a graduate of Carrollton High School and went on to serve in the U.S. Army, spending time in Vietnam. He was retired from Grodhaus Frabricating in Waynesburg. He was a life member of the Amsterdam VFW, where he had served as Quartermaster, and twice he had served as District Commander for the VFW District 6.

John was a great man who served his community and the local veterans for many years. His dedication and loyalty to his veterans and his family was unmatched.

His never serious personality was obvious by his name of Grandpa Honey. Anytime anyone would ask him how he was, his answer was "SWELL" with that big smile. He will be sadly missed by many.

John is survived by his wife, the former Emma Johnson, five children, Johnny (Georgia) Gallagher, Scott (Celeste) Gallagher, Jennifer (Mike) Roknich, Mike (Jeanne) Baker, Bobbie (Wayne) Mox; ten grandchildren, Christine, Jessica,

Ryan, Justine, Claire, Mackenzie, Johnny III, Scotty, Joel, Emily; a great grandchild, Everly; two brothers, Jim Gallagher and Kevin Gallagher; and a sister, Jane Snead.

Along with his parents he was preceded in death by his step-father, William Savage, and three brothers, Dennis, Charles, and David.

Funeral services for John will be Wednesday, November 22, 2023 at 2 p.m. in Dodds Funeral Home of Amsterdam. Visitation will be from noon until time of services in the funeral home. Following the services there will be full military honors.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **22**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Dodds Funeral Home -Amsterdam  
207 S Main Street  
Amsterdam, OH 43903  
(740) 543-3555  
<https://www.doddsfuneralhomes.com/>

## Service

NOV **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles & Connie Jolly lit a candle in memory of John L. Gallagher*



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**Charles & Connie Jolly** - November 23, 2023 at 07:58 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of John L. Gallagher.*



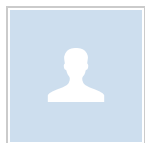
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November 22, 2023 at 10:23 AM



“ *We have wonderful memories of John Boy!! We are sending everyone our thoughts and prayers. Gary and Janette Grim*



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**Janette Grim** - November 21, 2023 at 08:45 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All Pink was purchased for the family of John L. Gallagher.*



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November 21, 2023 at 01:41 PM



“ *Red, White & Blue Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of John L. Gallagher.*



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November 21, 2023 at 12:47 PM



“ *Mike and Lisa planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John L. Gallagher.*

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**Mike and Lisa** - November 21, 2023 at 12:47 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,  
  
May your memories of John L. Gallagher, give you peace, comfort and strength...  
  
Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.  
My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....  
  
US Army Veteran, John L. Gallagher, is “A True American Hero”  
God Bless †  
  
† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - November 21, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of John L. Gallagher.*



November 21, 2023 at 09:03 AM



“ *Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of John L. Gallagher.*



November 21, 2023 at 08:09 AM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of John L. Gallagher.*



November 20, 2023 at 10:00 PM



“ *John you will missed I will miss that smile you always had on your face .. Sending Thoughts & Prayers to your family .. Love KarenAnn & Shawn*



**Karen Elliott** - November 20, 2023 at 02:59 PM

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*John you were such a great person always had a smile on your face you served our veterans proudly always willing to help with anything anyone needed I will miss seeing coming into the store*

**Becky Rainsberger** - November 20, 2023 at 03:45 PM

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*John, we have enjoyed some good times. Great memories from Gettysburg, family times, sharing grandchildren and so many other things. You will be missed terribly. RIP 🇺🇸*

**Judy Hill** - November 20, 2023 at 05:43 PM