



## John Louis Busch Sr

June 22, 1922 - April 27, 2021

Just over a month shy of 99 years old, John Louis Busch, died peacefully while surrounded by his family on April 27th, 2021 at the Veterans Nursing Home.

John was born on June 22, 1922 in Ashley, PA, one of ten children and the last to pass away. He spent his childhood growing up on Green Street, where he was always getting into trouble. He loved to play the accordion with his father. He loved baseball and could have played professionally. He also loved the game of golf and even had two holes in one.

John enlisted in the United States Air Force at the age of 16, lying about his age to serve his country. He was a member of the "Eighth Air Force" as well as an honored member of the "Lucky Bastard Club," a group of Air Force flyers who flew in the war and returned no fewer than thirty times while bearing explosives.

John married his love, Lois Lorraine, in 1945 and they later had four children. John was the epitome of a true survivor. Not only did he survive two plane crashes while serving in World War II, he also survived a heart attack, a quadruple bypass, prostate cancer, melanoma more than once, and even Covid last year. He also survived a lonely heart, having been widowed from Lois for the last 35 years.

John is survived by his four children, John (Beverly) Busch, Mike Busch, Audrey (Mike) Grobstein, and Jay (Debbie) Busch as well as 11 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. He is preceded in death by his loving wife, Lois, his grandson Andy, and his nine siblings.

We would like to thank the staff at the Salt Lake Veterans Home where John spent the last few years of his life, especially his favorite caregivers, Alissa, Jodi, and Kori.

A graveside service will be held at the Salt Lake City Cemetery for family on Saturday, May 1st, followed by a celebration of life at his grandson's home in South Jordan, Utah.

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## Salt Lake City Cemetery

200 N Street

Salt Lake City, UT, 84103

# Events

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**Graveside Service**

01:00PM

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# Comments

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“ John was special in very form of the word. He would not only tell me his adventures in Guam, the story of the free feel, why James Stewards had his rank, his food critics, etc. John was like family, he supported my career aspirations, celebrated every achievement, even interrogated my husband before he married me. I will miss him, but I feel blessed to have had him be part of my life, and now he is no longer alone, now he can dance with his lovely wife. I'll see you again John, and I'll tell you all the things that happened after you were gone until we get to hug each other again. I'll be the one with the stories next time we laugh together.



**Kory** - April 30 at 07:39 PM

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“ I took care of him at the VA nursing home! He would always tell us about the times he was flying, he also told us about the time his plane got shot down and he and another guy was the only people that survived. I loved hearing his stories, sitting at the nurses desk listening to his old time favorite songs! He definitely was an amazing man! I will miss him so much! Rest In Peace Johnny Busch! May we meet again!

**Chelsea Jacobs** - April 30 at 04:55 PM

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“ Vicky Nesbitt lit a candle in memory of John Louis Busch Sr



**vicky nesbitt** - April 30 at 09:45 AM



“ I remember when I was a little girl we went to fish lake. My dad and Uncle John went out on a boat, of course the motor quit running. Some man through them a line just before they went over a water fall. They both laughed and our mothers were of course screaming. That was the fun times.....

**vicky nesbitt** - April 30 at 09:51 AM



“ correction ...wild horse was the lake

**vicky nesbitt** - April 30 at 10:12 AM



“ Dear uncle John

I really appreciate the help you were for me when I was a child. Ther were Christmases we would have never had without your help. Never will forget Wildhorse reservoir and the sinking raft.

Rest in peace your nephew Jack

**Jack Jepson** - May 02 at 06:24 PM