



## John C. Kiner

August 21, 2020

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So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

- 2 Corinthians 4:18

John C. Kiner, 72, of Shermans Dale, Pa, went home to be with Jesus on Thursday, August 20th, 2020.

He was born on March 22, 1948 in Harrisburg, Pa to the late F. Donald and Betty L. Kiner.

A graduate of Central Dauphin High School and Millersville University, John was a retired graphic arts teacher for Cumberland Valley High School. He was a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity and Perry Housing Project and recently retired as a co-director of the Perry County Food Bank. John was a very involved member at Mt. Gilead United Methodist Church where he spent many years teaching The JOY (Jesus, Others, Yourself) class.

John is survived by his loving wife and best friend Linda (Swartley) Kiner; daughters Jen Beaston (husband Kenny) and Kim Sheibley; son David Kiner (wife Tonia); sisters Joan Bolton (husband Jack) and Marilyn Grubbs (husband Jerry) and several grandchildren.

John wants us to know he is in Heaven and is waiting for us to join him when the time comes and he said "don't disappoint me." We know he was met in Heaven by Jesus who told him "well done, my good and faithful servant."

#### SERVICE DETAILS

Services will be held at Mt. Gilead United Methodist Church, 935 Windy Hill

Rd, Shermans Dale on Monday, August 24th at 3:00pm. A viewing will be held at the church 2 hours prior to the service.

Memorial donations may be made to Mt. Gilead United Methodist Church JOY Class.

The Boyer Family is honored to handle the arrangements for the Kiner Family.

# Tribute Wall

WN

“ Thank you very much Mr. Kiner for bringing me closer to God. You will be truly missed by everyone that knew you. You touched so many lives and you made everyone feel loved and special. Until we meet again.

Love,

Wanda

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**Wanda Nearhood** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

JM

“ Linda and family,

*It's rare when I find myself speechless, but I am right now. John was a great man, full of God's wisdom, wonderful sense of humor, loving and caring heart and most generous with his time and talents. I respected him as a "father in the faith." My heart is broken for all of you and my prayers for you are rising up to God - where John is now "hanging out." I, for one, do not plan to "disappoint him." I intend to be there.*

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**Jean McCleary** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

MA

“ I am still having difficulty with this reality it seems like it can't be true but yet it is it will take me a long time for this acceptance I worked with John for almost 20 years in a room right next to his he was the first person that I met at my new teaching job that mentored me and show me the ropes our families became very close with his children babysitting my children and Sharing many holidays and gatherings he was the first person that I brought the camp that my father said you finally brought somebody decent from that moment on he was up at the farm as often as he could be he will be missed my memories will never fade and I'm going to stop now I love you John and I'm going to miss you it just won't be the same

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**Mark** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

SL

“ Linda and family, So sorry for your loss our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Scott and Marie

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**Scott Leiding** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

RR

“ My deepest sympathy.

*Mr. Kiner (John) was a very memorable teacher who could really connect with his students because he took the time to listen and help develop us into better people through the appreciation to detail via VizComArt (Graphic Arts).*

*He will be deeply missed.*

*Robin Ronemus,  
Cumberland Valley Class of 1983*

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**Robin Ronemus-Shuler** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

SA

“ Enjoyed knowing John through the food bank He taught me the ropes when I became site coordinator in Newport. The world needs more people like John and Linda. Prayers for the family

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**Sandi Amsler** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

KD

“ Mr. Kiner was my teacher, and he left a lasting impact in my life. I remember the lessons he taught me in design but more importantly life lessons he taught me. He encouraged me in high school and in college with his words and sharing of faith. He helped to shape who I am. He continued to advise me in college and beyond when I wrote to him. I can only imagine the impact he has had on me multiplied over and over through his years of service to others. My sympathies to his family and friends on your loss.

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**Karen Dalton-Mitchell** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

JB

“ I am saddened to hear of John's passing. He was surely a Perry County Hunger Hero, putting the needs of so many families at the top of his priority list, ever ready to explore new initiatives to feed the hungry.

*Rest well my friend. You will be sorely missed, but fondly remembered by so many. We are grateful for your dedicated and faithful service.*

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**gorja barton, Former Director of Agency & Program Services, Central PA Food Bank** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

RJ

“ I did not know you John, but I did know your parents, when our family was a member of Charlton United Methodist Church. They were good people. They were proud of their kids and grandkids.

Sincerely,  
Ron Julian and family

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**Ronal J Julian** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

CT

“ I am so saddened to hear about John. He was a great friend and a great boss at the Food Bank. I will miss him tremendously and will always think of him. God bless you Linda and you John. Thank you for everything.

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**Chuck Tyner** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

DL

“ Mr. Kiner was my favorite teacher at CV, and Graphic Arts was my favorite class. Mr. Kiner was kind and fun to be with. We wanted to spend as much time in his shop as we could, even getting extra time in the shop during our Study Halls to work on projects. I am blessed to have had him as a teacher.

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**David Lebo** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

SM

“ I had the honor of working with John for many years. I feel like everyone knew John Kiner at Cumberland Valley High School when he worked there. He always seemed to know a lot about what going on around the school! He was willing to help out when needed, but if he didn't agree with something, he let you know! I appreciated his honesty. I respected him as an educator and trusted his advice. He is one of the first teachers I remember meeting outside my own department when I started working at the high school as a young teacher a very long time ago. Rest in peace, John!

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**Sandra Minnick** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

BD

“ I thought John embodied Jesus's exhortation; "...That whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me..."  
God Bless the Liner family.

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**Bill Davies** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

MF

“ Mr Kinner was a great teacher and friend, helping many students becomes more creative and collaborative. He also cared about us as people- were we making good decisions, did we need help?  
Many of us loved him and stayed in touch long after HS

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**Mike Ford** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM

SN

“ John was also my favorite teacher at Cumberland Valley high school. I had the pleasure of attending his visual communications class, VisCom, as a senior in 1980. He also let me come in during my study halls and any other free time I had to explore my love of graphic arts. Because of him, I went into the graphic arts field when I graduated.

We kept in touch sporadically throughout the years via email. The last time I communicated with him was in 2010. I'm sorry I let that lapse. He was a great mentor and a good man. Rest well.

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**Sharon Naylor** - August 21, 2020 at 03:47 AM