



John Michael Gover

July 31, 1958 - July 17, 2019

Dr. John Michael Gover, passed away July 17th, surrounded by his wife, his sons, his brother, sister and his parents. He had brought great joy to each of them during his 60 years. And his own favorite activities were canoeing on the Current River, backpacking, paintball, music, and history.

John was born in Mattoon, IL to James and Yvonne Gover. In 1980, he married Patrice Taylor and two sons were born to this union. John graduated from dental school in 1994, and worked awhile with his friend, Dr. Ted Ziske, before opening his own office. He loved his patients, and always tried to do his best for them.

He is survived by the love of his life -- his wife, Patrice Taylor Gover -- , and his sons, Nicholas and wife Laci of Annett and Daniel Gover of Belleville. His grandsons are Bradlee, Tobey, Jacob, and Chase Gover of Salem. John's brother Bill Gover and wife Annette of Vero Beach, Florida, and his sister is Katie Gover, of Naples Florida. His parents are Dr. Jim Gover, of Naples Florida, and Yvonne Warren, of Ft. Myers Florida. All of them were with John during his final illness, and shared the sadness of this situation.

A "Celebration of Life" will be held at a future date.

Tribute Wall

JW

“ We are so sorry for your loss Patrice - John was a wonderful man and a great dentist. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him. Know that you and your family are in our prayers. Joe & Mary Walter

Joe & Mary Walter - July 27, 2019 at 10:48 AM

LR

“ Prayers for everyone. John was a totally awesome guy. Always made people smile and laugh and never judge anyone . We will see him again.



lara rivero - July 19, 2019 at 11:00 AM

MH

“ His smile was infectious and his love immense...Our heartfelt thoughts, love and prayers are with your boys and you Patrice during this very hard time...My family celebrates the beautiful life that John created with you, and we miss him dearly...Rest In Peace my dear friend...I know I did not say it nearly enough, but I love you, man; you truly had a profound and wonderful influence on my life, and I thank you from the bottom of my heart for that...

MARC HARVEY - July 19, 2019 at 01:49 AM



“ *Tabitha Becherer lit a candle in memory of John Michael Gover*



Tabitha Becherer - July 19, 2019 at 12:08 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for ur all loss my prayers are with u and it family hugssss*

Tabitha Becherer - July 19, 2019 at 12:04 AM



Dr Gover was my dads dentist for years

Tabitha Becherer - July 19, 2019 at 12:07 AM

RW

“ *So sorry to hear about Dr. Gover. He was a wonderful person and dentist. Sure will miss him and his sweet concern for his patients. Randy and Judy Wilmont*

Randy & Judy Wilmont - July 18, 2019 at 11:01 PM

RH

“ *Via Con Dios, my old friend. Thought and prayers to your family. I'll meet you at the Big Respawn in the Sky.*

Robert Hultz - July 18, 2019 at 09:38 PM

BK

“ *Pat,Nick,Daniel. We lost a wonderful person..Love you guys....See you on the other side John*

Brian Kaman - July 18, 2019 at 06:44 PM

CW

“ *Patrice,
Jeff and I are so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you and the boys for strength over these next days. John loved you so very much and my heart grieves for you. I will miss my cousin, and that huge smile that he flashed so often....
Much love, Jeff and Cathy*

cathy wagner - July 18, 2019 at 04:34 PM

GM

My friend, Yvonne, his mother and I have been friends for more than 40 years. My heart breaks for her loss and I am inept as to how to console and assuage her grief.

gloria mcMahon - July 21, 2019 at 09:14 PM

DS

*Since my move to Salem MO, Nick and his dad have been a part of my life here. I am saddened by this news, and wish this wonderful family all the best as they make this transition. I can tell you from the loss of my own father, the love continues to grow. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.
Dennis Southards*

Dennis Southards - July 23, 2019 at 09:35 PM

CG

Blue Tab forever

Craig Greaves - July 27, 2019 at 09:02 PM