



Dr. John A Coover

October 7, 1935 - July 4, 2022

Dr. John Alfred Coover, 86, of Grand Island passed away on Monday July 4, 2022.

John was born on October 7, 1935 in Lincoln to John A. and Pauline (Gaudreau) Coover.

He graduated from Lincoln High School and continued his education at The University of Nebraska, earning his Doctorate of Dental Surgery, and later his MS in Oral Surgery from the University of Iowa. He served as a Navy dentist for 2 years.

He married Bobbie (Hicks) and to this union were born 4 children. They made their home in Hastings, Ne, where he practiced oral surgery for 45 years. He also served at the VA in Grand Island, and was a LT. Colonel in the Air Force reserve for many years.

He later married Pat McCoy and moved to a property near Ayr, NE.

“Doc” enjoyed hunting, skiing, history, and being with friends. His favorite holiday was Independence Day, and he always made it fun for family and friends.

He is survived by his sister, Nancy Andreasen, his children, Cathi (David)

Swift, David (Kelli) Coover, John (Sharifa) Coover, and Carrie (Brian) Fabry, and grandchildren, Caroline (Hui Min) Swift, Will (Nicole) Coover, Grant (Colleen)Fabry, Jenny (Colin) Maloy, Sarabeth (Carsten) Bosselman, Mary Swift, Nick Fabry, Rachel (Jackson) Gannon, Megan Fabry, Max, Wes and Zac Coover, and 3 great-grandchildren, Lex Coover, Hazel Fabry, and Ren Gannon.

John was preceded in death by his parents.

A private family burial at Omaha National Cemetery will be at a later date.

All Faiths Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements. Memorials are designated to the American Legion.

Cemetery Details

Omaha National Cemetery

Omaha, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. John A Coover*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *He took out my wisdom teeth as a teen and was such a great experience. (As best as could be). My dad said I had to have him do it because he took my dad's out years before and he was able to eat fried chicken that night for dinner.
I'm a dentist now so I really appreciate his care.*

Melissa Schuldt - July 20, 2022 at 12:32 PM



“ *We are very sorry to hear of your loss. We knew that time had caught up with John these past 2 years (as it catches up with all of us). John was a reliable and excellent colleague to work with for many years of my practice. He finished his years focusing on psychology which showed his wide range of skills. In his retirement years we met for coffee and Bible study with Wayne Ganow and some other retirees. It was a great pleasure knowing John and working with him. Our best wishes to the family. Richard and Linda French*

richard french - July 12, 2022 at 09:33 PM

KE

“ I was so sorry to read of the passing of Dave's father. Although I had never met him, from his picture I can definitely see the resemblance between him and Dave. My sincerest sympathies go out to all of the family.

Kay Ehlers

Kay B Ehlers - July 09, 2022 at 11:15 AM

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“ I am so sorry to hear of this loss - I enjoyed working with Dr. Coover at the Central Community College Dental Hygiene Program. He was so knowledgeable and I learned so much from him. He served the Hastings area well - Rest In Peace Dr. Coover.

Cindy Gaskill - July 08, 2022 at 08:34 AM

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“ When I lived in Lincoln (probably was a kindergartner or 1st grader), I had the biggest crush on your Dad when he married your mom. I remember going up to the their door with a May basket and running like the wind back to the car so I wouldn't get caught and kissed! I don't think he was even home but I was so flustered! Aunt Garnet came and loved on me and it only took her hug for me to recover! Funny the things that you remember. Losing a parent is so hard. I'm sorry for your loss. I am grieving alongside of you...pretend I'm returning an Aunt Garnet hug for each of you. Your cousin, Terri Horton

Terri Horton - July 07, 2022 at 06:26 PM