

## John Frederick Kraft

March 5, 1938 - December 14, 2025

John Frederick Kraft, born March 5, 1938, in Saint Louis, MO, passed away peacefully at Otterbein Senior Living, Cridersville, OH, on Sunday afternoon, December 14, 2025, at the age of 87. He was the son of Dennis Shroyer who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by his wife, Joan Doseck, sister, Charlotte Walther, and sisters and brothers in-law, Norma (Ralph) Greve, Clarissa (Leroy) Finfrock, and Bob Doseck. He is survived by in-laws, Jerry (Phyllis) Doseck, Connie (Dave-dec) Steinke, Barb (Clarence-dec.) Cecil and Barbara (Bob-dec) Doseck, who were a very important part of his life.

John married Joan Elizabeth Doseck on September 7, 1957, and they were married for 66 years. They were blessed with seven children, Peg (Bruce) Bambauer and their children, Matt (Cheryl), Mitch (Lucy), and Melissa (Dusty); Sandy (Bob) Horstman and their children, Hollie (dec), Nathan (dec), Derek (Mallory), Amanda (Curtis), and Nathan; Tim (Amy) Kraft and their children, Nina, Shana (Sydney), and Nick (Karissa); Lisa Roberts and her children, Corey and Claire; David (Deb) Kraft and their children, Joshua and Michaela; and Angie (dec) and Amy (dec) Kraft. He also loved spending time with his 29 great grandchildren.

John was a very loving father, husband, grandfather, and great grandfather. His deep compassion for others grew from his early years in The Logan

County Children's Home and then from his father, Dennis Shroyer, Grandma Vern, and family. He had a passion for fixing and rebuilding things, including automobiles. He especially enjoyed helping his children. John worked as a quality control engineer, product engineer and buyer in the manufacturing industry for over 20 years. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Wapakoneta.

John lived his life loving and caring for others. He is now in the arms of his loving Father in heaven and will be greatly missed.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Friday, December 19, 2025, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Botkins, with Fr. Sean Wilson officiating. Burial will follow in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Botkins. In keeping with John's wishes, there will be no public visitation at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Holy Face of Jesus Parishes. Arrangements are under the care of the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, Wapakoneta, where condolences may be expressed at [www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com](http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Immaculate Conception Catholic Cemetery

County Road 25A  
Botkins, OH

# Previous Events

## Service

DEC 19. 10:30 AM (ET)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
103 Walnut Street  
Botkins, OH

# Tribute Wall

MC

“ My sister Dorothy and sister-in law Muriel in my wedding wore the dresses from Joan (1st. cousin) and John’s wedding! Always pleased when I ran into Joan and John while out and about. Rest In Peace John, re-United with Joan!

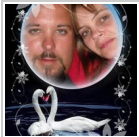
**Mary Cartwright** - December 18, 2025 at 11:43 AM

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“ So sorry for your loss, John and Joan were the best neighbors ever. They are greatly missed by Jeff and I, praying for peace for the family and all who knew and loved him.



**Tammy Sellers** - December 16, 2025 at 01:17 PM



“ I had the privilege to take care of him he was such a sweet guy I called him papaw when he was in the therapy hall he’s going to be missed by a lot of people so sorry for your loss he was a great man and I got the privilege to take care of him and I told him about me not having a grandpa and he said you can be mine granddaughter I go and see him once in awhile when I could

**Kay Werling** - December 15, 2025 at 03:28 PM