



## Lt. Col John Frederick Dzienny

July 22, 1968 - September 22, 2023

John Frederick Dzienny, Retired Lieutenant Colonel of the U.S. Army, died in his home Sept. 22, 2023, of natural causes in Fayetteville, North Carolina. He was born July 22, 1968 in Toledo, Ohio to Frederick and Mary Jane Dzienny (deceased).

He will be missed by his siblings: Patricia (Joel) Johnson, Cathy (Lee) Weygandt, Michael Dzienny, and Andrew (Nancy) Dzienny. John will be remembered for his fun-loving ways with his nieces and nephews: Jordan (Hailey) Johnson, Sarah (Patrick) Hogan and Lisa (Dustin) Sommer, Anthony (Ashlie) Weygandt and Julia Weygandt, Nicholas (fiancé Cesley Musngi) Dzienny and Alexa (fiancé Philippe Jomphe) Dzienny, Melissa (Tim) Moon and Kevin (fiancé Mackenzie Rich) Dzienny along with many great nieces and nephews. He leaves behind loving aunts, cousins and friends.

He was Military through and through. He called them his family. We remember John as an artist, a gardener, a lover of cats, a gourmet cook and a multilingual connoisseur of music, culture and travel. He was quick-witted and was always seeking adventures.

John was a graduate of Toledo Central Catholic High School, where his leadership skills were recognized by many loyal friends, who loved his humor and quick thinking fun schemes. His Military career began with the University

of Toledo in 1990, where he was a Second Lieutenant in ROTC. He staunchly served 22 years before his retirement.

John was a highly decorated officer and had many awards and honors. He was awarded a Bronze Star for actions in Iraq. He served in Africa, Korea, Haiti and other Middle Eastern countries.

We will forever keep his happier times in life close in our hearts as we say our goodbyes.

Full military rites will be presented at Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery, Rittman, Ohio Nov. 9, 2023, at 11:00. In lieu of flowers, memorials in John's name are suggested to Wounded Warriors Family Support, <https://wwfs.org/donate/>. Online condolences may be shared with the family online at Colvin Funeral Home and Cremations, N.C. ( [hmcovlin@aol.com](mailto:hmcovlin@aol.com) )

# Tribute Wall



“ Dear John, we met fleetingly on the escalator in London all those years ago & still to this day you are & will always be my only love at first sight!

*I've just found out that you are now in God's arms.*

*Rest in peace John 🌹*

*All my Love*

*Lisa*

*xxx*

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**Lisa** - October 01, 2025 at 11:41 AM



“ *It's been over a year and I am just seeing this. My condolences to the family. John was a MAJ and my boss when he was the S6 at 5th SFG in the early 2000's. As with many, we lost touch in the military during those hectic years. John was always looking for an opportunity at an adventure. Super smart guy and quick witted....always had a smile on his face and always had some terrific stories. I remember in one location feeling like we were in MASH with our Hawaiian shirt Fridays and possibly some hooch :-). John was also a big runner and I remember this one time while we were deployed, he was running in the dark along the airfield when he got tangled up in some concertina wire. If you wanted a good time though, call John..... be sure to have some bail money though just in case. John will be sorely missed by all who knew him.*

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**Wes Harris** - November 05, 2024 at 11:28 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lt. Col John Frederick Dzienny.

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November 07, 2023 at 10:40 AM



“ I met John and spent some time with him many years ago. We lost touch for a while then chatted from time to time on Facebook Messenger and via text messages. We hadn’t chatted for a while and then I found this obituary...I am heartsick. I regret not checking in with him more recently. My heartfelt condolences to his family who he spoke of often and valued more than anything.

Laura McConnaughey Broussard - October 26, 2023 at 09:19 PM

CW

“ <https://www.vlm.cem.va.gov/JOHNFREDERICKDZIENNY/a4bcdb>

Catherine M Weygandt - October 13, 2023 at 12:35 PM

LW

“ John was a very good friend, and we talked about everything! You cat lovin, food expert, pain in the butt sometimes.... “little buddy” as you liked to say, you cared deeply and we laughed so much. There is such a big void for me, but I know you are in a much better place. Love you my friend. 💕💕💕



Laura Perna Walden - October 08, 2023 at 09:40 AM

CW

Thank you Laura. You captured him well.

Cathy Weygandt - October 11, 2023 at 09:03 AM

JJ

“ *Toledo Vice was one of the best films ever made. Love you Uncle John*

Jordan Johnson - October 08, 2023 at 07:24 AM

RW

*Agreed, a true high point in 80s cinema!*

*And a nice testament to John and his friends' unique creativity and humor.*

Ron Weber - October 17, 2023 at 10:04 PM

DZ

“ *So sorry to all the family for their loss. Didn't really know John because he was always gone. I know your dad was proud of him, because he would tell me all the things he was doing and would always have a glow in his eyes. Love and Prayers to you.*

Debbie zuchowski - October 06, 2023 at 11:58 PM

CW

*Thank you Debbie. He definitely was deployed way too many times. He did make it to that one Zuchowski reunion in 2014 I think. The famous drone fly by!  
Our parents were very proud of him.*

Cathy Weygandt - October 08, 2023 at 09:57 AM

LE

“ *3 files added to the album John's Pictures*



Lee - October 06, 2023 at 09:55 PM

CW

“ 10 files added to the album John's Pictures



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**Cathy Weygandt** - October 06, 2023 at 09:54 AM

AB

“ John and I were classmates both at Gesu and CCHS. I always loved his ornery smile and sense of humor. My family and I adopted one of his kittens (Butterscotch) in 2010 before his last deployment and we still have her. She's 13 years old now and I lovingly think of John every time I look at her. He will be missed. Prayers for peace and comfort for everyone who loved him.

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**Amy Brandt** - October 05, 2023 at 06:54 PM

CW

*I remember hearing about you and Butterscotch.  
Thank you Amy.*

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**Cathy Weygandt** - October 08, 2023 at 10:00 AM

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“ 32 files added to the album John's Pictures



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**Cathy Weygandt** - October 05, 2023 at 03:34 PM