



John Philip Dunlap

March 20, 1959 - April 17, 2024

John Philip Dunlap passed away in his sleep on April 17, at the age of 65, at his home in Sarasota, FL. John was born in Concord, NH on March 20, 1959, and raised in nearby Hopkinton. As a child, he was a voracious reader, often bringing an encyclopedia to the breakfast table for reading material. His interest in history and current events lasted his entire life. John graduated from Hopkinton High School, attended Plymouth State College, and ultimately received his degree from the University of New Hampshire.

John had several nicknames over the course of his life, including JB (short for John Boy as a child), and Radar (bestowed by his Plymouth State friends, as he resembled the character in MASH). John's favorite nickname may have been Nemo, from his years as a boat captain. He earned his 100 ton ship captain's license, and his primary career as a ship captain was the occupation that brought him the most pride and happiness.

John captained whale watching trips off the coast of NH, Oil rig service delivery in the Gulf of Mexico, a dinner boat on Lake Winnepesaukee, as well as the sunset cruise vessel Marina Jack in Sarasota, FL.

John was thoughtful, loyal, funny, adventurous, independent. He had many great friends, including his two best friends, Tom Mullins and Rick Koenig. He also was very fortunate to have wonderful, attentive neighbors,

Margaret and Larry Blain, who considered John to be a member of their family, and helped him many times when he had medical events. John lived with Type1 diabetes for almost 55 years; his courage and cheerfulness in the face of medical challenges, following his childhood surgeries and treatments for CTEV(club feet), in addition to diabetes, is astounding and inspirational. He was a wonderful son, brother, cousin and uncle.

He was predeceased by his parents, Philip S. Dunlap, and Shirley H. Dunlap, and he is survived by his siblings, William H. Dunlap (wife, Susan), Ann D. LeBourdais (husband, Peter), Robert E. Dunlap, (former sister-in-law, Jessica Dunlap), and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

A tribute to Capt. John "Nemo" Dunlap will be held at Evie's Tavern on the Range, Sarasota, on May 18, 2024 at 2pm. In lieu of flowers, please consider a gift to ADA (American Diabetes Association).