



John William Dawson

July 1, 1950 - May 19, 2026

John William Dawson, 75, of Evansville, passed away peacefully at his home on Tuesday, May 19, 2026.

John was born in Owensboro, Kentucky on July 1, 1950, to the late Damon and Dorothy (Allen) Dawson. He had a great love of nature, art, and photography. John was an art director at Channel 7 and Rainbow Productions. He also taught photography at Indiana State University Evansville, and later the University of Southern Indiana, and taught photography and drawing at Ivy Tech in Evansville. He is remembered for starring in "Outdoors with John" which aired locally on Channel 7 in the early 1980s. John also loved his dogs, Odo and Dax and his cat, Jack, whether he admitted it or not.

Surviving John are his wife of 33 years, Cathy Nemer Dawson; two sons, Damon (Tiffany Gibbs) Dawson and Quinn (Cristine) Dawson; sister, Jana (David) Grose; brothers, Max Dawson and Pat (Irina) Dawson; grandchildren, Hazel, Sayer and Lincoln, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Friends may visit with the family from 2:00 until 5:00 PM on Saturday, May 23, 2026, at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Vanderburgh County Humane Society, 400 Millner Industrial Drive, Evansville, IN 47710.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Evansville Crematory

318 N. Lemcke Ave.
Evansville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **23**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Kathy, we are letting you know, you are in our Prayers, thoughts for you & your entire family. we love you & with you in our ♡♡. God bless all of you..stephanie, allison, karen & michael



Stephanie Schneider - May 22 at 06:11 PM

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“ danielle and the lawrence family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John William Dawson.



danielle and the lawrence family - May 22 at 05:03 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of John William Dawson.



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“ John was my brother. I came to love him more as we both grew older. I will miss him but he was always have a place in my heart. John saw the world differently than me and I loved him for that. He was genuine and authentic. He was a one of a kind. He artistic abilities with his drawings, paintings and photography was wonderful. His photographs were treasured presents for all of us who received them...especially at Christmas. I have more that I want to say but not now. I love you John and I know you are in a better place with Mom and Dad.

Pat Dawson - May 21 at 10:21 PM



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