

John Edward Sims

December 8, 1938 - March 9, 2026

John Edward Sims, 87, of Evansville, passed away Monday, March 9, 2026, at Ascension St. Vincent Hospital.

John was born on December 8, 1938, in Evansville to the late Lamar F. and Ellen C. (Beavin) Sims. He served in the United States Navy and on the Evansville Police Department for over 28 years, retiring as a lieutenant. John traveled the entire United States and the provinces of Canada for over 20 years.

Surviving John are his wife of 66 years, Margaret "Peggy" (Gosson) Sims; a daughter and son-in-law, DeAnne and Doug Keck, and grandchildren, Thomas Dennis, Heather Finn, Matthew (Alyssa) Sims, John (Hayley) Sims, and Samantha Sims, as well as great grandchildren, Franklin Sims and Remington Sims.

In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by three sons, Daniel Paul Sims, David Allen Sims and Dennis William Sims; sisters, Elizabeth Voelker and Nancy Weinzapfel, and brothers, Thomas, William, and Raymond Sims.

Funeral services for John will be held at 10:00 AM on Friday, March 20, 2026, at Pierre Funeral Home, Rev. Lowell Will officiating. Burial will follow in St.

Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 4:00 until 7:00 PM on Thursday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Dr
Evansville, IN 47720-5964
(812) 423-1356

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAR 20. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



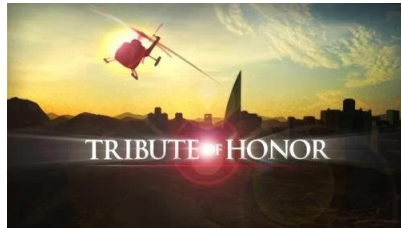
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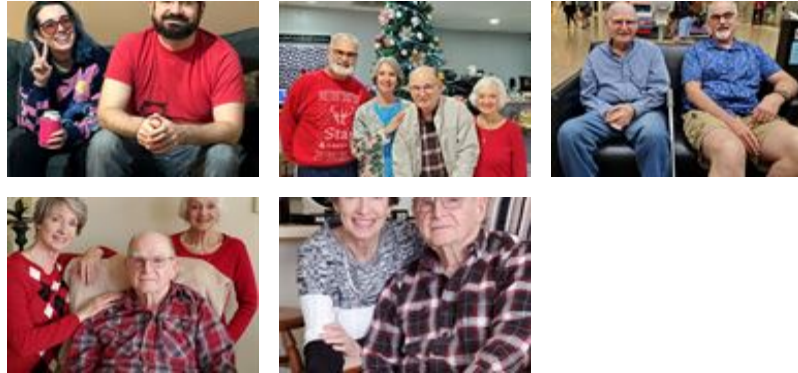
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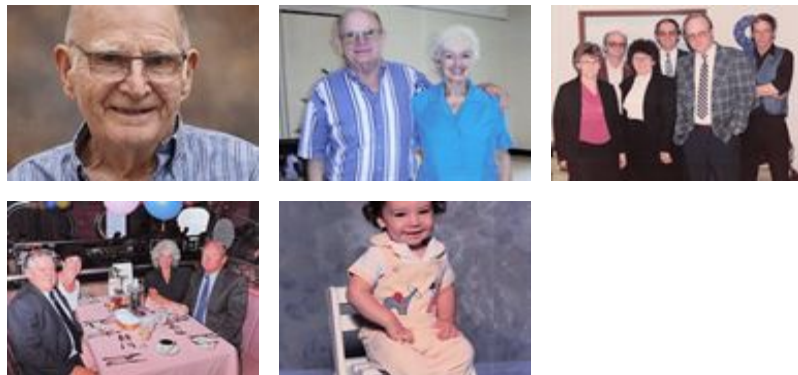
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“ *Peggy, I'm so sorry to learn of John's passing. May God Bless John's Spirit and comfort your extended family during this difficult time.*

Peter M. Swaim - March 12 at 09:42 PM

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“ John and my dad were like brothers so he was very protective of us kids. John and Peg was, is family and was around a lot when we were kids growing up.

I remember going to the jail with my brownie group, I believe, when I was a little girl. (1st or 2nd grade.) John took me aside from the group and showed me these awful, scary, stinky cells, with mean scray people. He put me in an empty one, and WALKED AWAY for like 5 minutes, which seemed like hours to me, and then told me after that, if he EVER caught Kristy or I out drinking we would be locked up in here. No exceptions. "And I was an amazing kid." But man did that moment stick with for me for life. I was driving my friends around at 14yrs old so they wouldn't drink and drive.

John, my dad, and I were laughing about this right at 3yrs ago, not long before my dad passed.

John was truly a one of a kind, an amazing kind man, and I am truly blessed to have had him in my life.

Leslie Gootee - March 12 at 04:59 PM