



## John Burton Cissell

September 7, 1970 - September 8, 2019

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Born: September 7, 1970

Passed from this life: September 8, 2019

John Burton, “JB” was born in the Navy Hospital at Camp LeJeune, North Carolina. Upon his dad’s discharge from the military, JB and family moved back to Kentucky, where his parents were enrolled in college. After several years in Kentucky, the family moved to South Carolina, followed soon by a move back into North Carolina, where JB would remain until his death. JB attended high school in Kings Mountain, and college at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. He graduated with degrees in History and Political Science as primary fields of study.

JB soon became an enthusiastic supporter of all things “Tar Heel,” especially sports. He became a reporter, editor/writer for “Inside Carolina,” a sports magazine dedicated to bringing great analysis and coverage of Carolina sports. While covering the games, coaches and players, JB was able to be as close as anyone reporting the decision making and analysis. He loved it.

In his spare time, he enjoyed playing with nieces and nephews, Salsa

Dancing with local groups around the region, including Charlotte and Greensboro. In addition, he enjoyed coaching children's basketball, and managed to have several winning teams in the Chapel Hill/Carrboro area.

JB was preceded in death by his mother, Norma C. Cissell. He is survived by his father, John Cissell; stepmother, Vivien Cissell; sister, Becky and her husband, Harry Barker IV and their two children, Harry and Kate. Additional survivors include a stepbrother, Richard Gold and his wife, Jan and family; stepsister, Stephanie Hawkins and her husband Robert Hawkins and family and numerous other nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

A celebration of life gathering of friends and relatives will be held at the Cavin-Cook Funeral Home and Crematory, 494 East Plaza Drive, Mooresville, NC 28115, October 20, 2019 from 2:00 PM, until 4:00 PM, EDT, with "A Time for Sharing" at 3:00PM.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in JB's name can be made to Volunteers for Youth/Carrboro. It is a nonprofit, supporting youth activities in Chapel Hill and Carrboro, NC. Their goals include; Delinquency Prevention, Mentoring, Diverse youth programs providing the tools to become responsible adults. They can be reached at the following; 205 Lloyd Street, Suite 103, Carrboro, NC 27510; 919-967-4511 Thank you!!

# Previous Events

## Receiving Friends

OCT **20**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home  
494 E. Plaza Drive  
 Mooresville, NC 28115

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Burton Cissell*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *John Burton Cissell*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *John Burton Cissell*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *JB was part of our Salsa dance community and a gentle and kind man. He will be missed. We are having a dance in his remembrance for dancers and friends alike and all are welcome on Oct. 26 at Living Arts 410 W. Geer St. Durham 27701. My love to the family.*

**Jack Wolf** - October 20, 2019 at 05:57 PM

RH

“ Dang, autism strikes again.

*I have learned to accept small disappointments due to disorder when it only affects me.*

*When I affects others it hard to excuse. I am so sincerely sorry. I thought it was Morrisville- 10 minutes from my house, rather than Moorevile - 3 hours form my. I will not make it time.*

*I will ask the the curators to read this for me.*

*Ironically I only knew him as JB. Not his full name , John Buton Cissell. Which is an impressive name. I recall when he and my wife, whose nickname was BJ first met. It was like the old Laurel and Hardy routine “Who’s on first”. They went back and forth reversing the letters until the figured out who was who.*

*I recall times when we were out dancing, JB would sneak up behind BJ and lift her off her feet. They would end up laughing and giggling like children. The funny thing is he did that many times on several different occasions. Each time they would laugh and giggle just as hard.*

*I believe in God. And it brings me some comfort today to imagine they may be laughing and giggling like children in the Kingdom of Heaven.*

*My sincere condolences*

*Robert Holley*

*Bjorg (BJ) Sandok - deceased*

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**Robert Holley** - October 20, 2019 at 03:09 PM

NR

“ *Sorry for yalls loss!! Praying for all of you!! Love all of yall!!*

*Love, Nikki Herndon Radford*

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**Nicole Radford** - October 07, 2019 at 09:14 PM

MR

“ *I will miss him and his love laughter and smile! I was blessed to know him for such a short amount of time and yet, the way he made me feel will last my lifetime! I'm so sorry for the pain of such a huge loss!*

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**Michelle Ross** - October 07, 2019 at 03:49 PM