

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Wake service

Saturday, March 25, 2023

Location:

St. Gregorios Orthodox Church, Austin, TX
14619 Bois D Arc Lane,
Manor, TX 78653

8.00 am – 8.45 am	Family Viewing and 2 nd service
8.45 am – 10.45 am	General Viewing, condolences
10.45 am – 11.30 am	3rd service
11.30 am – 12.00 pm	Final family viewing and back to funeral home

Funeral Service

Location:

Jordanpuram Mar Gregorios Orthodox Church,
Vanmazhy, Pandanad, Kerala, India

Funeral date yet to be decided. Please visit the website for more details

Memorial Website

www.stgregoriosaustin.org/obituary-m-c-john

In loving memory



M. C. JOHN

(May 22, 1934 - March 16, 2023)

OBITUARY

“Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His faithful servants.” -- Psalms 116:15

Madukolil Cherian John (M.C. John) “Johny”, age 88, passed away in peace and glory on March 16, 2023, in Austin, Texas. Johny was born on May 22, 1934, in Vanmazhy, Pandanad, Kerala, India, in the Vayalipurath family to the late Thomas Cherian and the late Achamma Cherian as their third son. He grew up in Pandanad with his parents, six brothers, and sister. He completed his bachelor’s degree in Madras and then returned to Kerala, where he worked as a construction contractor.

In 1963, he married the late Rachel (Ammini) John. Rachel and John had their first child, Leena Susan Mathew, in 1966 and their second child, Thomas (Libu) John, in 1969.

Johny was a family man who took great pride in the family’s upbringing and was a positive influence on his children and grandchildren.

He migrated to the USA in 1976 and worked in New York as a bank manager until he retired in 1996. He was an active member of the St. George Malankara Orthodox Church in Staten Island, NY, and attended services regularly.

He and Rachel came to Austin, Texas, in 1999, where they lived until 2009 with their daughter Leena and family. He loved spending time with his grandchildren and took excellent care of them. He became a member of St. Gregorios Orthodox Church in Austin, Texas, and loved attending the services.

He and Rachel moved back to their hometown in Vanmazhy, Pandanad in 2010 and lived at the Vayalipurath Medayil house. Rachel John passed away on March 24, 2020. In January 2021, Johny returned to Round Rock, Texas, and lived with his daughter and her family.

M.C. John is survived by his daughter Leena Mathew, his son Thomas (Libu) John, his son-in-law George Mathew, his daughter-in-law Annie John, his grandchildren Alexander John Mathew and Julia Elizabeth Mathew, and Michelle Ann Daniel, his brothers, M.C. Iype, M.C. Kurian, M.C. Cherian, M.C. Varughese, M.C. Mathew, and his sister Thankamma James. He was predeceased by his wife, Rachel John, and his brother M.C. Thomas, as well as his parents. He is now reunited with them in eternal peace.

He lived a full life, dedicated to his family, friends, church, and community. He enjoyed gardening and found happiness in sharing the fruits of his work with others. He was a beloved family member, friend, and colleague, who will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

His viewing and prayer are being held at St. Gregorios Orthodox Church in Austin, Texas on March 25, 2023, for family and friends in the USA.

In line with his wishes, his funeral service will be held at Jordanpuram Mar Gregorios Orthodox Church, Vanmazhy, Pandanad, Kerala, India, followed by burial at the family cemetery.

The Bible says, “The memory of a good person is a blessing.” M.C. John will always be remembered as a loving, caring individual who touched the lives of many. His memory will live on in the hearts and minds of all who knew him.

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.” – 2 Timothy 4:7