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John Lawrence Blinde (1948-2011)

On Friday, October 14, 2011, John Lawrence Blinde, son of the late Alfred R. Blinde and Marjorie Moore Blinde, died peacefully at his home in Herndon, Virginia. He was 63. He left behind his beloved wife of 41 years, Linda; three loving children, Michael, Karen, and Christopher; his brother, David; four grandchildren; and family, friends, and colleagues across the world. We will miss him every day and remember his integrity, generosity, and wit always.

John was born on March 31, 1948, in Lincoln, Nebraska. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from Chadron State College in 1970 and, after serving in the United States Army from 1970 to 1974, returned to Chadron State College to earn a Master of Science in Education in 1975. He continued his education after establishing his career, earning a Master of Science degree in National Security Strategy from the National War College in 1996.

After teaching public school in Los Alamos, New Mexico from 1975 to 1980, John joined what would become the Central Intelligence Agency's Open Source Center, then the Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS), where he served until his retirement in 2006. During his tenure with FBIS, he and his family traveled the world, serving at duty stations in Korea, England, Israel, and Okinawa, as well as in Washington, DC. He was especially proud of his leadership of the FBIS Okinawa Bureau, which allowed him to use his remarkable talent for bringing diverse groups together to achieve a common vision.

Those who knew John will remember him as a humanist: his belief in human ideas and potential was inspiring. He loved music and the arts, both as performer and audience member. He had a great thirst for knowledge about art, literature, history, science, and technology. He was also an avid golfer and skier.

A memorial celebration will take place on Thursday, October 20, 2011 from 4:00 to



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6:00 pm at the Army and Navy Club, 3315 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, Virginia. In honor of John's lifelong habit of supporting a variety of charitable causes, and in lieu of flowers, the family requests that friends wishing to make gifts in his memory do so to the charity of their choice.

Online condolences may be expressed to John's family at www.foundandsons.com



Events


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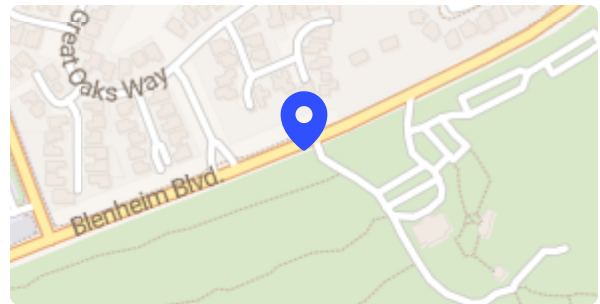
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Gathering

 **Thursday**, October 20, 2011

 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM ET

 **Army Navy Country Club**
3315 Old Lee Hwy., Fairfax VA 22030





Tribute Wall

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Found And Sons Funeral Chapels - Cremation Service shared a **Tribute Video**.



October 13 at 8:00 PM



Kevin Dunay posted:

To The Blinde Family: To the extent you are still monitoring this, I would appreciate you connecting with me as I am presently in Okinawa, Japan. Thx so much Kevin

August 25 at 7:25 PM



Caitlyn posted:

I miss my grandpa. He was an amazing man

November 22 at 8:10 PM



Caty January 27 at 8:58 PM

i wrote this 4 years ago... i never got to say goodbye



Teresa (Chase) Nelson Class Of 1967 posted:

I was in a grade below John in high school. I also knew him in college. What I remember most about him was his great singing voice in choir. I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please accept my deepest condolences. Teresa (Chase) Nelson

November 15 at 6:54 AM



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JK

Jim & Cherie Kohler posted:

It was always a good time when John was around, laughing, joking, teasing & including everyone. He added charisma to our class when he came from Prep. Being in the play, "We Shook the Family Tree" with John, with Betty Augustine directing, was lots of fun. When he told me he was going to take a college English class while we were still in H.S. I went with him. Starting college early allowed me to graduate in 3 years so I could be a TWA stewardess. TWA took me to England where I got to visit you & John & your 3 lovely "English" children. Our class was thrilled to see John in 2006 & your lipstick Thank-You stayed on our bathroom mirror until this year when we rented our house to another classmate this fall. Jim remembers being in a class with John taught by Mr. Doxtatter. It was a lot of fun being in the class & John was responsible for that. He was helpful, open, honest, knowledgeable, & supportive to everyone. May you find some comfort in your memories and ours...and also in the knowledge that many people offer you support and share in your loss. Love, Jim & Cherie Kohler

November 7 at 5:00 PM

SU

Susangold posted:

I have fond memories of John. He was fun, nice, considerate and giving. He and I were the ones who wrote in lipstick on the mirror at our last class reunion at Kohler's.) Thanks Linda for the use of your lipstick....John said it probably was your favorite. May God bring you peace and comfort....Sincerely, Susan (Lecher) Gold class of 1966 CHS

November 7 at 3:25 AM

RM

Roger Mcconaughey posted:

I hadn't seen John since before I left for the service in 1967, and whenever his name was mentioned, it was his laugh that I remembered. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family. Roger Mcconaughey

November 2 at 12:32 PM

JT

J L Weiss Truitt lit a candle in honor of John.

linda...i know you dont remember me...i knew you at chadron state back in the late 1960's...remember john as a happy go lucky kid...he and his dad were quite a pair...janice lee weiss truitt



October 27 at 5:23 PM



Media

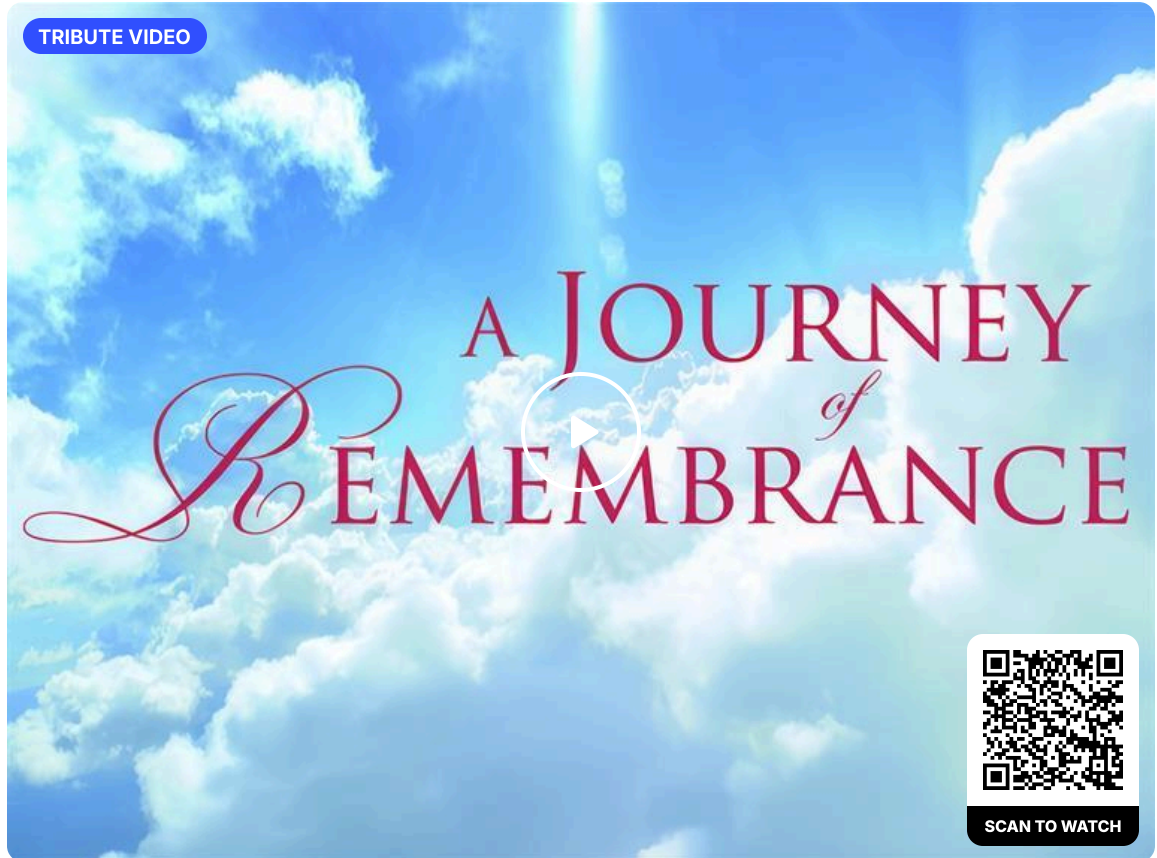
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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