



## John Joseph Murray Jr.

September 28, 1964 - September 20, 2015

John J. Murray, Jr., age 50, of Morgantown, died Sunday, September 20, 2015, the result of a traffic accident. Born in Far Rockaway, New York on Sept. 28, 1964, he was a son of Garnet (Malvito) McDonald of Florida, and the late John Murray, Sr.

A graduate of St. Francis High School, he was currently employed as a bus driver for The Mountain Line in Morgantown. He loved riding his motorcycle, and in his spare time, could always be found lifting weights at the 24/7 Fitness Gym.

In addition to his mother, Garnet, and her husband Darrell McDonald, he is survived by his wife, Cindy (Taylor) Murray; three children, Anthony Murray and Alicia Dalton, both of Morgantown, and Juliann Crawford of Grafton; two grandsons, Levi and Lucas Murray; two brothers, Angelo Murray and Darrell McDonald, Jr., both of Florida; two sisters, Melissa Smith of Florida and Valerie Smith of Smithfield, Pa.; and a number of aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends.

Funeral services will be held at the Richard R. Herod Funeral Home, Point Marion, on Sunday, September 27th, at 1:00 P.M., with Rev. Reba Thurmond officiating. Visitation will be held on Sunday from 10 AM until the 1:00 PM service, and again on Sunday from 6 - 8 PM.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 27. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Herod-Rishel Funeral Home  
501 Morgantown Street  
Point Marion, PA 15474  
(724) 725-5245  
rishel@atlanticbb.net  
<https://www.herod-rishel.com>

## Service

SEP 27. 1:00 PM (ET)

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## Visitation

SEP 27. 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

LM

“ *Lisa Moran lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**Lisa moran** - September 24, 2016 at 07:02 AM

LM

“ *Hard to believe it has already been this long that you have been gone*

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**Lisa moran** - September 24, 2016 at 07:01 AM

BE

“ *Beverly lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**Beverly** - October 11, 2015 at 08:34 PM

BE

*I met John when we were both searching for someone to fill a void in our lives. We became best of friends. I could always call, no matter the time, and he would be there to listen. He was taken way to soon.*

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**Beverly** - October 11, 2015 at 08:36 PM

KL

“ Kelly Lockhart lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.



Kelly Lockhart - October 05, 2015 at 06:57 PM

BK

“ John and I spent alot of time together working out at the okd Nautilus Plus Gym on Collins Ferry Rd back in the day. Boy he was always a hoot. I didnt know that I missed him until he was gone.

Brian Kurcaba - September 27, 2015 at 04:42 PM

MS

“ 30 years ago I dated John while we both was in High school. He took me to my first prom. He was a great guy. Funny as well but stood by his beliefs. I will miss him dearly. Thanks for the memories John. My condolences to his wife Cindy n her family, to Johns family and his mom n family and to Julia. My heart goes out to all who knew him. Keep his memories in your heart. He will be missed by many

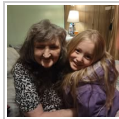


Mary Jane Sanders - September 27, 2015 at 07:24 AM

IE

“ John, I will always remember those old days when I first trained you to lift weights. Lester Rizer and some others were there to help. You were just a young small boy. We had great times and I will keep those old memories in my mind. It was so great to see you after all those years that went by. I finally got to talk to you a few weeks ago. It breaks my heart that this happened !! The biggest thing you ever lifted were the spirits of the people !! Thank you John for sharing your time here on earth with all of us !!  
If every ounce of breath I had,  
Was placed in a big sack.  
I'd drag it up to give to God,  
If it would bring you back !!  
Irving E.Rice

Irving E.Rice - September 27, 2015 at 07:09 AM



I am Irving's sister I babysat John when he was a boy. I am sorry sorry this happened. Sending my prayers for all the family.

Carol Rice Sine - September 27, 2015 at 08:07 AM

RM

“ Rain Mechell lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.



Rain Mechell - September 26, 2015 at 10:23 PM



“ *Angela Wratchford lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**Angela Wratchford** - September 26, 2015 at 10:08 PM



“ *Wanda Taylor sent a virtual gift in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**Wanda Taylor** - September 26, 2015 at 10:07 PM



“ *Wanda Taylor lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**Wanda Taylor** - September 26, 2015 at 10:06 PM



“ *Jimi Taylor sent a virtual gift in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**Jimi Taylor** - September 26, 2015 at 09:54 PM

Jimi  
Taylor

“ *Jimi Taylor lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**Jimi Taylor** - September 26, 2015 at 09:53 PM

DM

“ *So sorry for your loss . Prayers for all .  
Deanna*



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**Deanna McDole** - September 26, 2015 at 08:57 PM

JC

“ *Juliann Crawford lit a candle in memory of  
John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**Juliann Crawford** - September 26, 2015 at 08:31 PM

MH

“ *Melissa Hertzog lit a candle in memory of  
John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**Melissa Hertzog** - September 26, 2015 at 07:02 PM



“ *Renee Tucker lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**Renee Tucker** - September 26, 2015 at 06:35 PM



“ *Rest easy John.....*



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**Terry Hughes** - September 26, 2015 at 01:15 PM



“ *Alicia Dalton lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



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**alicia dalton** - September 26, 2015 at 04:47 AM



“ *Cindy so sorry for your loss. Prayers for the families.*



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**Mary Hussion Holmes** - September 26, 2015 at 12:33 AM



“ I'm going to miss you Bro. I'm so sorry that we couldn't of spent more time together, but the time we did, we had good times. Hope to see you on the other side. Love ya Bro. Lump Lump. Little Darrell



**Darrell McDonald** - September 25, 2015 at 11:41 PM

WC

“ Wanda Mcdonald Cornwell lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.



**wanda mcdonald cornwell** - September 25, 2015 at 09:04 PM

JH

“ Working with John was always an adventure, filled with lots of chuckles. I will miss hearing "what's up dad". My thought and prayers are with the family.

*John Hemerick*

**John Hemerick** - September 25, 2015 at 08:34 PM



“ Garnet & Darrel, We met only once, years ago, under the same sad circumstances. This is Chris Thomas, Tracy's sister. I'm so sorry for your loss and hope that memories will help heal your pain. Sending love from afar. <3

**Christine Thomas** - September 25, 2015 at 08:14 PM

Missy Murray

“ *Son, brother, friend, husband, father. You wore many hats that only you could have worn. You threaded together lives that would never have met without you. You left an imprint in the hearts of those who knew & love you. You will never be more than a thought away & always carried in our hearts.*



Missy Murray - September 25, 2015 at 07:23 PM

LH

“ *Lonnie Hughes lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



Lonnie Hughes - September 25, 2015 at 06:55 PM

MH

“ *Missy Heberlig lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



Missy Heberlig - September 25, 2015 at 06:24 PM

AM

“ *worked with john for a number of years. a good person with a good heart. always made me laugh! he was one of kind. may God comfort you in your time of grief. Alex Mitchell.*

alex Mitchell - September 25, 2015 at 04:08 PM

MM

“ Marge Malvito lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.



Marge Malvito - September 25, 2015 at 02:19 PM

JW

“ Joyce Weber lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.



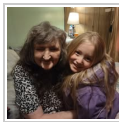
Joyce Weber - September 25, 2015 at 02:02 PM



“ Carol Rice Sine lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.



Carol Rice Sine - September 25, 2015 at 01:56 PM



Garnet I am so sorry for you loss. I use to babysit John John. He always was a good boy. And when he grew up my husband worked with him for awhile. And when my husband introduced us. We had a good laugh. And told him that I already knew John since he was a child. It is a small world.

Carol Rice Sine - September 25, 2015 at 02:04 PM

MM

Thank you so much Carol....your caring is very thankful from the family.

Marge Malvito - September 25, 2015 at 02:21 PM

SA

“ *I went to school with John, he was always a kind caring person. Prayers to his family.*



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**Sandy** - September 25, 2015 at 01:56 PM

SH

“ *John brought special talents to our Mountain Line Transit Family. He will be missed by all. His death is a tragic loss. My lesson learned live life to the fullest as John did for tomorrow doesn't belong to us. My love and Prayers to all of Johns family and friends. Get well wishes to Cindy you were saved for a special purpose find it live it and embrace it.*



*I will miss you John*

*Sheila Wolfe Office Manager Mountain Line Transit.*

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**Sheila** - September 25, 2015 at 01:27 PM

BP

“ *John was a good guy prayers to his wife and family.*

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**Brandi Pugh** - September 25, 2015 at 12:57 PM

TM

“ *Tina Murray lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



Tina murray - September 25, 2015 at 12:03 PM

TM

*John you will always have a special place in my heart.*

Tina murray - September 25, 2015 at 12:09 PM

MM

“ *Missy Mitchell lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.*



Missy mitchell - September 25, 2015 at 09:24 AM

BF

“ *Brad Fleming And Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of John Joseph Murray Jr..*



Brad Fleming And Family - September 25, 2015 at 09:03 AM



“ God knows you had a gift to push people's buttons! And then you would chuckle or grin that smart-aleky grin. The residents at Sundale loved it. You made them fall in love with you and look forward to a visit throughout the day just so they could feel special. You were that kind of guy. Always 2 hrs. early for work so you could visit and agitate someone, hehe.  
You were very forgiving when I hit your bike with the bus 😊. Never got too excited, but found some silly thing to say..... we have lost a one of a kind. We will always remember you fondly John. Prayers of comfort and strength to your family. Peace 🙌  
Cassie

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**Cassie Wigal-Fabiano** - September 25, 2015 at 08:31 AM

AR

“ He was a good bus driver

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**angel rutan** - September 24, 2015 at 10:50 PM



“ John you were a great friend we had a lot of great times lifting in your shed and where ever we could also a lot of good times wrestling you was a remarkable wrestler and has strong has three men. We fish and laugh and had a lot of good times we was just talking about going fishing last time i saw you I'm sure we both wish we could have stay and b.s now everybody has to be strong has you were and pray for you and your family I'm sure your and heaven pumping iron and cheering everyone up there up like you did on earth there hasn't been a day go by that i don't think about you and the fun we had god bless my friend till we meet again i will see you on the other side. Lonnie Hughes

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**Lonnie Hughes** - September 24, 2015 at 08:29 PM

 Lonnie Hughes

“ John you were a great friend we had a lot of great times lifting in your shed and where ever we could also a lot of good times wrestling you was a remarkable wrestler and has strong has three men. We fish and laugh and had a lot of good times we was just talking about going fishing last time i saw you I'm sure we both wish we could have stay and b.s now everybody has to be strong has you were and pray for you and your family I'm sure your and heaven pumping iron and cheering everyone up there up like you did on earth there hasn't been a day go by that i don't think about you and the fun we had god bless my friend till we meet again i will see you on the other side. Lonnie Hughes

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**Lonnie Hughes** - September 24, 2015 at 08:29 PM

FL

“ I still can't believe that it is true. We have lost a great person and very good friend. Will always have good memories of our joking around and bike rides on the weekends. You will be sadly missed.

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**Floyd Long** - September 24, 2015 at 06:54 PM

BR

“ R.I.P .you was one of a kind. It was nice knowing you fly free, till we meet again.

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**Betsy Rankin** - September 24, 2015 at 06:52 PM

LC

“ Love, Sarah and Travis Constantine purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Joseph Murray Jr..



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**Love, Sarah and Travis Constantine** - September 24, 2015 at 06:45 PM

JM

“ You will be missed good friend. You always picked on me but I picked right back. We had some fun moments for sure. Rest easy, see you down the road. Also I want to send my love and prayers to his family. He was a good man and has impacted so many peoples lives.

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**Jody Murray** - September 24, 2015 at 05:55 PM

WR

“ John was like brother to me I miss him already peace bro

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**wtfbob robb** - September 24, 2015 at 05:22 PM

LI

“ John always knew how to make you smile and laugh I ride the bus all the time and the last time we spoke he was smiling and laughing he had such a great personality and he will be sadly missed my thoughts and prayers go out to his entire family rip John

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**lisa** - September 24, 2015 at 04:38 PM

TO

“ John and I worked together at Mylan a long time ago. He and I used to be gym buddies as well... he had some great, crazy stories and always made laugh. You'll be missed, my friend!!! God bless and my condolences to your family! Todd

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**Todd** - September 24, 2015 at 02:18 PM

JD

“ It is devastating that we lost such a dedicated team member of Mountain Line. John was a blessing to our service. May God comfort the family as they deal with the loss.

*Jenn Dinsmore  
Board President  
Mountain Line Transit*

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**Jenny Dinsmore** - September 24, 2015 at 01:49 PM

RI

“ Roy Denjen II lit a candle in memory of John Joseph Murray Jr.



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**Roy Denjen II** - September 24, 2015 at 01:23 PM

RI

“ Some of crazy stories he told me at Suncrest Gym made my day. I would share one but I cannot think of one thats ok to share. We also talked about things going on in our lives and he really opened up at times.

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**Roy Denjen II** - September 24, 2015 at 01:23 PM

MH

“ Sorry for the loss of John, always had a smile on his face and talked where ever you saw him! Prayers and hugs for Anthony, Alicia and the whole family still hard to believe



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**Mary Lee, Rodney, Jimmy and Jenny Hart** - September 24, 2015 at 11:05 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of John Joseph Murray Jr..*



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September 24, 2015 at 10:47 AM



“ *On behalf of all of us at Mountain Line, we are sorry for this tragic loss and we offer our condolences to John's wife and his family. John will be sorely missed and we share in your sorrow and disbelief that he is gone.*

*Dave Bruffy  
Mountain Line Transit Authority*

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**Mountain Authority** - September 24, 2015 at 09:23 AM



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**Gerald Penrod** - September 24, 2015 at 08:05 AM



“ *John would do anything for anybody, he was always helping people out. Big strong guy with a funny and soft side that people who got to know him will always remember. He will be missed. Our condolences.*

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**Gerald Penrod** - September 24, 2015 at 08:02 AM



“WoW when I heard this I could not believe it. I work with John At sundale for 2 years and we played practical jokes on everybody and I do mean everybody including the residence they loved John to pieces. you will definitely be missed you are a breed all of your own. I am sending love and prayers to your family

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**Donald Snelson** - September 24, 2015 at 06:26 AM



“I remember working with John, it's hard to say good bye to people, I truly pray today That The Lord Jesus take your family right now and hold them, let them feel your comfort at this time, bless this family,

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**Monique** - September 23, 2015 at 08:55 PM



“John, I'm still in shock that this happened. When we first heard we hoped that maybe they were wrong and it was another John, but then when it was confirmed, we didn't know what to think. You know how it is at Sundale, once you are part of the Sundale family you are always part of our family. I will cherish every memory forever. We shared so much in your time with us. Just like family does. We were so happy to see you find love and your marriage with Cindy. She is an amazing woman. I will miss your crazy stories and your laugh when telling them. It's still so hard to believe. RIP my friend. God Bless your entire family, you are all in our prayers.

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**Tina** - September 22, 2015 at 10:07 PM



“ I worked with John at sundae he was a wonderful friend to me. He made me laugh and we used to greet each other by saying" what's happenin freak". My husband and I made him a shelving unit for his model cars when he finally got it on the wall he invited us back to his house to show us how great it looked. He will be greatly missed.

Janet Cumberledge - September 22, 2015 at 09:08 PM

HS

“ Definitely will miss the chats we all had at the depot. Glad i shared those peppers with you and the others. Friday as we walked to our trucks and chatted after work about our weekend i never imagined it would be our last chat. You were an awesome man, hard worker and a great friend. I appreciate all the help you gave me when i first started driving bus. Ride on in heaven and hopefully you will find the rest of my bikers friends and my brothers to chat with. It was a pleasure knowing you. RIP dear friend.

Hazel Shaffer - September 22, 2015 at 03:36 PM

CD

I first met John at work. He was a very likeable man. He always had a smile for me and a smart remark. We grew to be good friends. I knew he had his demons but I would have trusted him with my life. I was heart broken to hear this news. I will forever remember him. My deepest sympathy to his family and I hope that recovery will be swift. You are in my heart forever my dear friend.

Christine Dunn

Christine Dunn - September 24, 2015 at 11:52 AM

JC

I recently began riding the bus again after a long time of not going many places by bus. I was a passenger on a few rides with john as the driver. i liked him and thought he was a really nice, caring man. I am so sorry to hear of his death. My prayers are with his family and Mountain Line for their loss.

Joyce Crandall - September 24, 2015 at 03:10 PM

TR

*RIP, Love Aunt Tracy and Uncle Pat, I miss you already oxoxox*

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**tracymalvito** - September 24, 2015 at 07:25 PM

MM

*God just received another angel. We will truly miss you! Uncle Greg and Aunt Maggie.*

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**Marge Malvito** - September 25, 2015 at 02:32 PM

CA

*Such a horrible nightmare for all those that knew this man. He was a good friend, a good man, & he had the greatest smile & sense of humor. I will truly miss you my friend. My prayers go out to his family & loved ones. Keep them smiling up there friend. We miss you terribly....*

*Carla*

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**Carla** - September 25, 2015 at 02:48 PM