



## Mr. John C. Fratangelo

March 8, 1947 - March 25, 2026

John C. Fratangelo, 79, of Scottsboro, AL, passed away on March 25, 2026.

John was born on March 8, 1947, in Pittsburgh, PA, to Paul and Carmen (Canevazzi) Fratangelo. He graduated from Baldwin-Whitehall High School in 1965. He went on to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science from Utah State University in 1973 and a Master of Science in Systems Management from the University of Southern California in 1980.

John built a distinguished career in science and technology. He worked as a manager in the Instrumentation Group at PRC Kentron. He later served as a staff scientist with MIT Lincoln Laboratory, where he contributed his expertise in instrumentation and mission planning to activities associated with the Kwajalein Missile Range. While living in Kwajalein, John embraced island life and enjoyed golfing, playing softball, fishing, and scuba diving. He later worked for COLSA Corporation in various scientific and leadership roles. He led the Independent Technical Risk Team for Ground Based Midcourse Defense (GMD) and other National Missile Defense (NMD) tests. John received recognition for his contributions to missile testing, as well as for U.S. Air Force reviews, and was honored by COLSA for his work as a Program Manager. He retired from COLSA in 2015. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force from 1966 to 1969 and later as a commissioned officer in the United States Navy Reserve from 1977 to 1983.

John is survived by his beloved wife of 43 years, Marilyn Fratangelo; his daughter, Gina Fratangelo of Brunswick, GA; and his son, Robert (Ranee) Fratangelo of Huntsville, AL. He also leaves behind his cherished grandchildren: Jayde, Zane, Kemp, and Nell Little, and Isabella, Cole, and Gus Fratangelo. He is survived by his siblings: Bob (Pat) Fratangelo, Mary Eileen Fratangelo, Paul Jr. (the late Kim) Fratangelo, Maggie (the late Gino) Esposito, Joe (Patty) Fratangelo, Chuck (Suellen) Fratangelo, Bill (Eileen) Fratangelo, his sister-in-law Mary (the late Rick) Fratangelo, and Cathy (the late Mark) Grimm.

John was preceded in death by his parents, Paul C. Fratangelo and Carmen Fratangelo; his stepmother, Mary Patricia (Gallagher) Fratangelo; his brother, Rick Fratangelo; and his stepdaughter, Sonya Larson.

John will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him, especially by his dear friend Lynn.

# Cemetery Details

## Pleasant Hill Cemetery

Dutton, AL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 29. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Scottsboro Funeral Home  
1502 County Park Road  
Scottsboro, AL 35769  
(256) 574-3965  
scottsbороfuneralhome@gmail.com  
<https://www.scottsbороfuneralhome.com>

## Graveside Funeral Service

MAR 29. 2:00 PM (CT)

Pleasant Hill Cemetery  
Dutton, AL

# Tribute Wall

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“ Don and Jean Midkiff purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. John C. Fratangelo.



Don and Jean Midkiff - March 28 at 11:45 AM

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“ 10 files added to the tribute wall



Gina Fratangelo - March 28 at 11:21 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. John C. Fratangelo.



March 28 at 11:09 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. John C. Fratangelo.

March 28 at 11:09 AM



“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Eileen Fratangelo - March 28 at 09:49 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Eileen Fratangelo - March 28 at 01:02 AM

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“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Eileen Fratangelo - March 28 at 12:34 AM

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“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



Eileen Fratangelo - March 28 at 12:28 AM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Eileen Fratangelo - March 27 at 11:56 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Eileen Fratangelo - March 27 at 11:55 PM

BC

“ I remember John and Marilyn fom Kwajalein. I worked with Marilyn in the Resource Management Division. I remember they loved boating and scuba diving and golfing, anything outdoors. Jon was the nicest person, friendly and outgoing. He enjoyed his retirement and spending time with Marilyn, his children, grandchildren and family and even in retirement loved being near the beach. He will be missed.

Bobbi Cole - March 27 at 09:51 PM



“ 44 files added to the album Life Tributes



Scottsboro Funeral Home and Pinehaven Memorial Gardens - March 27 at 05:21 PM

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*Our hearts go out to John's family. I had the pleasure of working with John at COLSA Corporation for at least 10 years. John was a true gentleman and just a kind and generous man. It was very refreshing to seek his wise counsel. John was a curious and innovative engineer and always a pleasure to be around. He will be remembered and missed by many. Be encouraged family and keep the faith 🙏.  
In prayer and sympathy,  
Shirley Walker and Family*

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**Shirley Walker** - March 27 at 11:21 PM