



John L. Sloan

May 26, 1946 - June 3, 2026

John Lawrence Sloan, affectionately known to family and friends as “Jack,” passed away peacefully, welcomed with open arms by our Lord and Savior on June 3, 2026, at the age of 80.

Born on May 26, 1946, Jack lived a life defined by hard work, service, laughter, and unwavering love for his family. He was the beloved husband of Terrie Lynn Sloan, with whom he shared 60 wonderful years of marriage. Together, they built a life centered on family, love, and lasting memories.

Jack was a proud veteran who served his country during the Vietnam War and was deeply patriotic throughout his life.

For over 50 years, Jack called Rapid City, Michigan, home. A true outdoorsman, he found joy in fishing, hunting, four-wheeling, and spending time in nature. Whether on the water, in the woods, or around a campfire, Jack was happiest when surrounded by the people he loved.

Jack worked as a carpenter for more than 30 years, using his skilled hands to build and create while earning the respect of everyone who knew him. He was known for his strong work ethic, generous heart, and willingness to help others.

Above all else, Jack treasured his family. He is survived by his loving wife, Terrie Lynn Sloan; his children, Kevin and Leah Sloan, Brian Sloan, and Melissa and Scott Matley; his grandchildren, Chelsea and Dan, Kendra and Blake, Chanee and Desi, and Sven Sloan; and his great-granddaughter, Vera.

Jack had a remarkable sense of humor and a gift for making people laugh. His quick wit, stories, and infectious smile will be remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Though he will be deeply missed, Jack leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter, hard work, and family that will live on for generations.

“Those we love don’t go away; they walk beside us every day.”

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yours.

Tribute Wall

“ I'd like to start by sharing some of my grandpa's amazing qualities and values. He lived his life with kindness, bravery, equality, witty humor, forgiveness and, above all, love.

My grandpa had the best sense of humor. He was always making jokes and trying to make people laugh, even when he wasn't feeling well. For years, he made sure to text me every Monday morning to remind me to get to work. I would tease him by telling him my pets were going to sleep on his pillow (if you knew Jack, you know he absolutely despised that) or I'd send him an early morning text just to wake him up. He loved making people laugh, and he was very good at it.

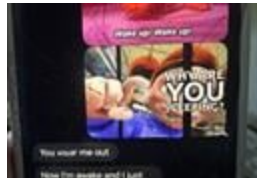
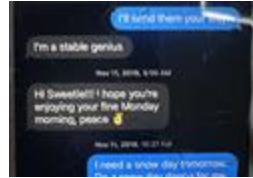
Another thing that stands out when I think about my grandpa is how deeply he loved his family. Family was always his top priority, and he taught me what truly matters in life and that's the people we love. I am so grateful for the memories we shared and for everything he taught me along the way.

He also had an adventurous side that I hope to have more of myself. My grandma and grandpa spent many years camping and traveling together. I admired how much they appreciated nature and its beauty. Life was always about the simple things. Through their example, I learned that less is often more. Material possessions never mattered much to him. What he valued most was spending time with family.

Even through his health struggles, he made sure to be present in my life. He never missed an important moment. Whether it was teaching me how to float at torch lake, attending my basketball games, or texting me on special occasions, he was always there. His love and support were constant, and I will always cherish that. Lastly, what amazes me most is the relationship my grandparents shared. Their dedication to one another for 60 years is truly remarkable. It is something you do not see often anymore. They were incredible role models who showed what commitment, partnership, and unconditional love look like. They taught me that you never give up on each other and that marriage is about being a team. Their relationship is something I deeply admire and hope to have in my own life.

I will always be grateful for my grandpa, the lessons he taught me, and the love he gave so freely. His impact on my life will stay with me forever.

Love ya Gramps! <3 Chelsea



Chelsea - June 06 at 08:46 PM

RB

Great musings of your Grandpa! I knew Grandma very well at one point in our lives! Our thoughts and prayers are with you! ❤️

Ruthie Bontrager - June 07 at 09:57 AM

DA

What a beautiful tribute to your Gramps!! I don't know you but read what you wrote and was touched by it, for love was truly share by both of you. May God give you His comfort and strength in your future.

Darlene - June 20 at 11:40 AM

MA

“ Sending my sincere condolences to you Terri and family: Jack will be deeply missed, I remember the time I bought an upright piano and Paul said we need to get Jack to help us bring into the house. It was a feat, but Jack knew exactly what had to be done to get it in the house and into the bedroom. Paul said this will never leave the house in one piece!! And it didn't!! lol sending hugs and prayers to you all.

mary - June 05 at 09:25 PM

TS

I would like to say Jack was a strong man in his believes for helping family and friends. He was strong to the end with his disease refused to give up. When called to the army no hesitation. He gave me a run for my money. Now there is a big hole in my heart. A lot of good memories. Always your wife Ter.

Terrie Sloan - June 21 at 12:53 PM