

Detective John Paul Hinrichs (1948-2022)

John was born February 16, 1948 to Herman and Marie (Rottker) Hinrichs. He attended Elder High School, graduating in 1966.

John was drafted during January 1968 into the United States Army where he served in the Military Police and as a Dog Handler. He was honorably discharged during January 1970.



John joined the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office on June 17, 1971 as a Patrolman. By 1977 he was the third best shot in the Sheriff's Office, qualifying in the Masters Class. By 1978, he was an instructor at the Cincinnati and Hamilton County Regional Police Academy. On January 4, 1979, Patrolman Hinrichs was promoted to Detective of Deputies in the Investigative Division. A crack shot, he was honorably mentioned in the 1992 and 1993 Governor's Top 20 Marksmen. Detective Hinrichs' performance evaluation in 1983 summed up all previous evaluations, "Detective Hinrichs is one of the best investigators in this County." Detective Hinrichs retired October 31, 2000 with 31 years of service to his country and county and dozens of letters of appreciation and/or commendation.

Detective Hinrichs was diagnosed with Leukemia. He died at in the afternoon of December 14, 2022 at the age of 74.

He was predeceased by his siblings, Herman "Butch" (Donna) Hinrichs and Margaret "Peggy" (late Richard) Kurtz. Detective Hinrichs is survived by his wife of 43 years, Carol A. (Haubner) Hinrichs; daughters, Amy Lee (Kevin) Jorg, Angela Carol (Jeff) Fassbender, and Gretchen Rae Timmerman; and grandchildren, Carson Jorg, Elizabeth Jorg, Bryson Jorg, Alexis Fassbender, Elin Fassbender, and Dylan Fassbender.

Visitation will be held 4 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at Frederick Funeral Home at 2553 Banning Road. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church at 5361 Dry Ridge Road.

Memorials may be made to Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 2300 Wall Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45212.