



## John D. "Shoes" Musso

August 2, 1946 - July 31, 2020

John "Shoes" Musso, age 73, entered eternal life on July 31, 2020. John was born in Pueblo, Colorado to parents, Pete and Ida Musso who precede him in death; as well as his brother, Pete "Butch" Musso. John was born and raised on the mesa, he graduated from Pueblo County High School in 1964, and attended SCSC where he earned his bachelor's degree to become a teacher and later attended Western State College where he earned a Master's degree and Principal Licensure. John was hired in 1969 as a 3rd grade teacher at North Mesa Elementary School and 3 years later became the principal where he remained until he retired in 2002 after 33 years in education. Even after his retirement he remained employed by District 70 working as a consultant for English Language students and Gifted and Talented. Over his extensive career in education John impacted countless lives of students, parents and fellow educators. John is survived by his loving wife of 51 years Beverly Musso; children, Mark (Tracey) Musso, Gina (Phil) Colletti; grandchildren, Brittany (Chance) Chambers, Zachary and Jadon Cook, Nicholas and Brooklyn Colletti; sister-in-law, Sandy Musso, Jamelea (Alan) Thorson; and brother-in-law, Austin Clark; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, special cousins and friends. A viewing will be held Monday August 10, 2020 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Roselawn Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral Mass will be held at 10:00 am, Tuesday August 11, 2020 at St. Joseph Catholic Parish Hall 1145 Aspen Rd. The funeral service will be live streamed via Facebook at the church website: [stjosephparish-pueblo.com](http://stjosephparish-pueblo.com). Graveside service to follow at

Roselawn Cemetery, all are welcome.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **10.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (MT)

Roselawn Funeral Home  
1706 Roselawn Rd.  
Pueblo, CO

## Funeral Mass

AUG **11.** 10:00 AM (MT)

St. Joseph Church  
1145 Aspen  
Pueblo, CO

## Interment

AUG **11.** 11:30 AM (MT)

Roselawn Cemetery  
1706 Roselawn Rd  
Pueblo, CO 81006

# Tribute Wall



“ *Vivid Recollections* was purchased for the family of John D. "Shoes" Musso.



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August 10, 2020 at 03:39 PM



“ *Bev,*  
*So sorry for the loss of your husband! Hugs and healing prayers to you and your family!*



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**Virginia White** - August 08, 2020 at 11:35 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness* was purchased for the family of John D. "Shoes" Musso.



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August 08, 2020 at 11:15 AM


JP

“ Our sincere condolences to you, Bev, and your family. John and I went to school together starting in first grade. My family holds a special place in our hearts for John. My two sons attended North Mesa and loved “Mr Musso”. I always enjoyed visiting with John when I would occasionally run into him. He always asked about my boys and took a sincere interest in their career progress. We will miss him. May he Rest In Peace.  
Jim Parco and family



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**Jim Parco** - August 08, 2020 at 01:35 AM

 Norma  
Smith  
Gwartney

“ Sharing in your sadness. Jack and Norma Gwartney

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**Norma Smith Gwartney** - August 06, 2020 at 11:57 PM

PK

“ Mrs. Musso and family. Our family extends our sympathy and prayers at the loss of Mr. Musso. We were so honored to have had the privilege of having our children receive their education at North Mesa under his guidance. I worked closely with him in various volunteer capacities throughout the years they were there. I enjoyed visiting with him at church. He always took an interest in our children. We have lost a great man whose presence in our lives will go on forever. God bless you Mr. Musso, rest in peace. David, Pam, Megan and LT David Keller, USN.

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**Pamela Keller** - August 06, 2020 at 10:47 AM

JS

“ Beverly I am so sorry to hear that John passed away. He always brought laughter wherever he was. Such a kind loving person who will be missed dearly. Know that my thoughts and prayers are with you at this very difficult time.

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**JoAnn Silchia** - August 06, 2020 at 12:45 AM

RJ

“ To the Musso family. Thank you for sharing one of the Mesa treasures with everyone. I received and cherished his mentorship, friendship and guidance as a school resource officer for more than 15 years and will hold his memories forever in my heart. From my family to yours. Rest in Peace. Retired Sgt. Ron Jimenez

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**Ron Jimenez** - August 05, 2020 at 09:12 PM

DS

“ John hired me my first year teaching. He was such an amazing mentor and made me feel welcome and comfortable in my first year teaching. I have many fond memories of working with him. I'm so glad I saw him a couple of years ago and got to catch up. My prayers are with all you. John, you will be missed.

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**Dayna Schwartz** - August 05, 2020 at 08:31 PM

DK

“ John, I am so happy that I ran into you and Beverly at Musso's last fall. You were an amazing leader in the educational community and a wonderful family man. You will be missed immensely! Peace and healing to your family. 💜🙏💜

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**Dawn Kalina** - August 05, 2020 at 02:48 PM

KG

“ Beverly and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. John will be remembered as a very respected, kind man. A great principal.

Karen Granato - August 05, 2020 at 01:41 PM



“ Dear Beverly and family, I am so sorry for your loss of John. Always cherish those beautiful memories. Love Imogene Musso and family.

Imogene Musso - August 05, 2020 at 12:48 PM

TH

“ Beverly and Family, So sorry for your loss. Condolences and Prayers for all your families.

Theresa Longo Maurello

Theresa - August 05, 2020 at 12:36 PM

LR

“ So very sorry for you loss !! Our prayers go out to John's many friends and family ..Larry Rust

larry Rust - August 05, 2020 at 12:21 PM

KD

“ So sorry for the loss to all of you. Beverly, no one could have taken better care of their helpmate than you did. John loved his family above all else. He was so proud of each and every one of you. Rest in peace, John.

Karen A. DeCarlo - August 05, 2020 at 11:53 AM

DA

*John was a great leader, community example for our children and teacher, a great colleague and friend. We will have a Mass said for him at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Beulah. With deep respect and sorrow for your loss,*  
*Dick and Ona Marie Amman*

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**Dick Amman** - August 08, 2020 at 01:25 PM

LP

*So sorry for your lose, He was a very fair man to his students and a great accent to the whole school district and the community. I enjoyed working with him.*

*Linda Pitts, bus driver,*

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**linda pitts** - August 09, 2020 at 12:52 AM