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On July 7, 1973, he married Mary Kaye Samsa at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Appleton, WI. He was a member of The Newman Center, Eau Claire, until 2009.

He is survived by his three daughters, Jaclyn and Nicole of Eau Claire, and Danielle of Middleton, WI; sisters, Mary (Raymond) Horvatin, Chippewa Falls, Kay (Edward) Hodges of Ladysmith; nieces, Michelle (Michael) Martineau of Chippewa Falls, Joleen Hodges; nephews, Richard and Christopher Hodges and Kevin (Kimberly) Horvatin; great-nieces and nephews Abigail and Allison Horvatin, Matthew and Joseph Martineau. John was preceded in his death by his parents and several aunts and uncles.

John had many acquaintances in Eau Claire, and his three daughters wanted those individuals to be aware of his passing.

John was a loving father to his daughters and enjoyed spending time with them, watching them grow through dance lessons, school events, canoeing, fishing and soccer. He was quite active in the area soccer leagues. He was very much an inspiration to his daughters by the values he passed onto them, whether it be playing fair, teaching them to be independent, or encouraging them to work hard at their many endeavors.

There were no plans for a memorial; however, his daughters will be celebrating his life by planting a tree in his honor in one of the local parks.

Those who would like to make a financial donation are encouraged to send it to Sacred Heart Hospital Cancer Center in his honor.

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