CUMBERLAND-John J. DeJoice, Sr., 70, of Cumberland and formerly of Dickerson, Maryland, passed away on July 25th at Devlin Manor, Cumberland, MD with his wife at his side. Born on October 22, 1942, he was the son of the late Joseph and Philomena (Leoni) DeJoice.

John was a Systems Engineer for L.A. Systems, Alexandria, VA. He also served in the U.S. Army and was a graduate of St. Joseph's High School, Renovo, PA. He was a member of Our Lady of the Mountains Parish.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Elizabeth "Betty" (McGlone) DeJoice; daughter Mary Jo DeJoice of Elkins, WV; and son John J. DeJoice, Jr. and wife Rhonda of Cumberland and grandsons, J. Joseph DeJoice III and Collin DeJoice, both the light of his life; Sister Helen DeJoice Fortson, San Diego, CA; and Julianne Thorson, aunt and Clifford Thorson, uncle, Renovo, PA.

John's gentle, kind and loving spirit will be dearly missed by his family. John loved nature and the outdoors and had a real joy for cooking and collecting mushrooms.

He was happiest when spending time with his family. Friends will be received at the Scarpelli Funeral Home, P.A., 108 Virginia Ave. (www.scarpellifh.com) on Saturday, July 27 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. with a Christian wake at 6:00 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Saint Joseph Catholic Church, 925 Huron Avenue, Renovo, PA on Saturday, August 3, 2013 at 10:00am with Rev. Charles C. Ugo as celebrant. Military honors and interment will be at St. Joseph Cemetery, Hyner, PA.