



# Mr. John Tzaras

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**T**zaras, John, 65 of St. Petersburg died October 23rd at Hospice House Woodside. Born in Athens, Greece, he graduated from the Technical University of Athens and continued his studies in London. He served in the Greek Armed Forces and immigrated to the United States. He moved here in 1975 from Tom's River, NJ and was a member of the Theosophical Society. He received his bachelor degree from Eckerd College and retired after many years service from Honeywell. He is survived by a sister, Kyriakoula Tzara-Hann; 7 nieces and nephews; 8 grand- nieces and nephews; 3 great-grand- nieces and nephews, in Greece, England, Germany and the U.S.A. Friends may call at the funeral home from 9 am, Friday, October 30th. Trisagion service at 10:30 am. Funeral service will be 11 am at St. Stefanos Greek Orthodox Church, 3600 76th Street N. Final resting place will be in Colorado.



## Tribute Wall

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RW

**Ryan W.** posted:

None the less, I just wanted to tell you that I love you John, and I miss you. I think of you daily. I think what if John was still here, I could call him and we could go get lunch. We could go for a walk along Coffee pot road. We could share knowledge, you could meet my newest girlfriend and tell me yea or no. so many things, but your are obviously with me here tonight or else I wouldn't be writing this. You pushed me to my limits and I am somewhat grateful for that, but it would have been nice to have you here with me. Love Ryan

January 6 at 12:55 AM

RW

**Ryan W.** posted:

I want to leave this message here tonight for John, As I think of John tonight. John and i shared many of the same dreams, same hopes in life. I miss John, i miss the way he always acted like he "knew" what i was going through. (even if he didn't). I miss our late night phone calls, we'd battle back and forth, for no reason. It was a waste but we both realized that in the end and as such it served for good. I miss the way John answered the phone "Hello Hello" and I miss the way he said goodbye, "bye bye, bye bye". I don't know that I believe in god anymore John. God wouldn't ask us to, nor place upon us such hardships as life. We are left to our own devices here.

January 6 at 12:47 AM

RY

**Ryan** posted:

I was thinking about John tonight as I do many nights and thought I'd share a few memory's more about John. It's funny how it's the small things that stay with me. So, here are a few of those small things. Whenever I would get Johns answering machine it always picked and said "Hello, you have reached the number five two two two seven one two, please leave your message! If he was home and answered he always said "Hello, hello hello"? Then I would say "Hi John" and he would say in his tough guy voice "who's calling"? As if he didn't know who I was when he darn well did know. I never figured out why he would do this, but he ALWAYS would. He would always say to me when I came to him with a problem "stand up and cheer"! or he would call me "Smart detoo". I think that what many people didn't know about John is that he suffered from mild schizophrenia at times. He shared with me about how he had to check into the hospital on several occasions when "things" got to bad. Of course he didn't call it that but that is what psychology would have diagnosed. Ok, those are the memory's for tonight. Be well John, your in my life daily and I listen for your still small voice still whispering into my mind, and I whisper back knowing you've survived on. Peace.

December 2 at 7:06 PM



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RY

**Ryan** posted:

I should say, i don't have to meet John's niece but i was told that she is who he left all his books too, and that she was interested in metaphysics...so I have always been curious to meet her. I loved John like a father, in spite of everything. He was the closest I had to a father.

November 9 at 4:24 AM

RY

**Ryan** posted:

If John has a niece, which I know he does..I would like to meet her...I think that John would want us to meet...pretty please email me...I want to meet you. :) I loved your uncle like a father. I have a hole in my heart with John's passing.

November 9 at 3:38 AM

RY

**Ryan** posted:

If you would like to know more about your uncle or brother...please feel free to email me at geronimosic@yahoo.com I have plenty of story's and memory's, both horrible and Awesome. of course everyone just wants to know the awesome... lol :) I loved john unconditionally. I don't think many other people except his sister and parents could say that. but ...i did/do. almost as much as I don't/didn't....he caused alot of trouble, for me, but for you I am a pure reflection of him. and man he love you.

November 9 at 3:22 AM



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RY

**Ryan** posted:

I just want you to know that John rose to the highest level of humanity a human being could...in his own way, the best he could. (my post about him wrecking my life was a personal thing between him and I). Aside from that (and I apologize for posting that but I have been hurt by the way he treated me) and that's what it is. As for what I can tell you about John, what like a father to me when I had no one, and I mean no one who would even talk to me about what I needed to know, John was everything to me. He planned it that way, but ...he was the closest thing I had to a dad. (since your monitoring these, a bad dad at that, but a dad, he didn't know anymore how to be a father than I knew how to be a son!). Hard to argue with that. He was a good father to me, although he did hoard esoteric and magical knowledge like NOBODY'S BUSINESS. Often hiding what HE knew at the expense of people who knew less than he. But for the sake of this, he and I shared the same dream and he showed me that dream when i had lost it....he showed me the "bigger picture"...and for that I will always you John. And don't let him trick you into thinking he isn't alright!! He's sitting high and heavy with the celestial beings laughing at us, I assure you that..part of the reason I hate him. :) Alright sister in England. Be well, John is more than well and merry. He overdid that church you created in greece.

November 9 at 3:14 AM

AN

**Ananymous** posted:

I'm writing this because I know it was tough but confirming for you to read, his sister. and maybe I'm wrong, but he told me about you. He loved you. In his own stubborn ass way). If I am wrong about this, still please read.....anyway. I am a dumb 21 year old kid who came to John in the biggest mistake we both ever made. ;) but none of that matters now. because once a person dies, their personality dies too, but their "soul" or "essence" continues on. Got that everybody. Good. :) John and I shared the same dreams and "hopes". I don't think I can express that enough. We both were dreamers with huge aspirations in life. I came to him when I was 21. To me he was like Bono, from U2. He was my hero, he was EVERYTHING to me, he was all I had....left "in me". Though I don't think of him that way now, but...I probably should. I had two choices at "his" Theosophical society" John Tzaras or Dave Oros. I must admit I hated both. But I chose both. That was my blessing and my curse. John always thought Dave was "trying to steal" the people from "his group at the Theosophical society". but Dave really just trying to steal himself from the great groups john facilitated. End of that story. John always answered the phone when I called. He never told me what I needed to know, but he did always answer and said...Hello hello...and bye bye, bye bye. And that is what I have to be thankful to him for... he always picked up and always said bye bye, bye bye. Aside from that he didn't say to me anything, he was too shy, to withheld. And I hate him for that, but I love him for who he was, for just "picking up"....it's a lot more than the current theosophical president will do. Anyways, in short ...we shared a Dream. I hate myself for not making more of it, but we were both hard made. I just want you to know that we and John hit the highest of notes, the most powerful/empowering of points humanity can offer a man. He felt love

October 29 at 7:39 PM



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AN

**Anonamous** posted:

John moved to St. Petersburg in the 70's...he grew up in Greece, and built a "church" with his family along the border for of the sea. To John this experience of working "working together" with everyone was pivotal and near and dear to his heart. Unfortunately when he moved to St. Petersburg, he dove into the Theosophical Society and (I think) he this to replace that very sacred experience in his heart, from growing up in Greece. The only problem came when it became evident that he was full of fears and he decided to misuse his power at the "keeper" of that lodge in order to bully, manipulate and take advantage of the people who were coming there innocently seeking spiritual knowledge. He misused his position to take advantage of those less knowledgeable than he and he did so knowingly. My hope is that he now suffers the same pain he caused others. I hope he feels the harm he inflicted upon myself and those who benevolently came to him in his position of power seeking to know what is right. I hope he feels it and suffers the way he caused myself to suffer. And then I hope he can move beyond it. The choices he made wrecked my life, and I hope he sees that now.

November 3 at 6:13 PM

RW

**Ryan Wuertz** posted:

John was to me a mentor who's willingness and kindness was displayed through countless 2 hour phone conversations at anytime of the day or night. John would be there for me WHENEVER I was in need of a friend to talk to. Your departure John is missed more than I could have ever imagined. May you be enjoying and enveloped by the beauty, majesty and love of the celetial choirs you so deeply deserve! Bye bye my dear friend bye bye.

November 30 at 11:25 PM

NM

**Nikita & Ramille Matsoukis** posted:

John was a good friend and a help to so many people in the community. He gave of himself and dedicated his life to the pursuit of Truth, the most noble cause. He signed his mail with the word 'agape'. He overflowed with love and never hesitated to befriend and be of assistance to those older or less able than himself. We enjoyed and looked forward to breaking bread with him. May his Memory be Eternal!

October 30 at 7:11 AM



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**Debby Surdi** posted:

I was in the same Pythagoras Masanic Lodge in St. Petersburg in Florida with John. for a long time we all were family and we all loved and repected John. We have lost a great teacher. May he march with all the famiy that our Lodge has lost. Norma "Debby" Surdi

October 29 at 7:39 PM



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