

John David Timmer

August 17, 1947 – January 16, 2024

John Timmer, 76, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, passed away suddenly on Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at his residence.

Born on August 17, 1947, in Hawarden, Iowa, John was adopted by Gus and Grace Timmer, who moved to Sioux Falls from Steen, Minnesota, so he could attend the South Dakota School for the Deaf (SDSD). John graduated from SDSD in 1966 and dedicated over 30 years of his life to the U.S. Postal Service.





SDAD newly selected new officers
1983 SDAD Conference
Front row L to R: Larry Puthoff, Norman Larson, Jr., Jule Meek, and Judy Glammiers.
Back row L to R: Debra Holsworth, Laurel Kaple, Jerry Berke, Jim Mitchell, Madison Stewart, John Schumacher, Delbert Erickson, and John Timmer.

John's commitment to the South Dakota Association of the Deaf spanned 49 years, including serving on the Board from 2023 until his passing. He cherished bus trips with the Sioux Falls Deaf community to various destinations. He loved to joke and laugh with friends. He was known by many as a kind man with a big heart, quick to laugh and give you a big smile and hug.

John is survived by his children, Michelle Timmer (son-in-law, Steve Newbold) of Laramie, Wyoming, and Todd Timmer (daughter-in-law, Angela Timmer) of Kyle, Texas. He is also survived by his four grandchildren: Owen, Silas, Stella, and Agustin.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gus and Grace Timmer.

A memorial service was held on February 17, 2024 at Trinity Lutheran Church for the Deaf.



1981: John Timmer shakes hands with Superintendent Kaufman as the Sioux Empire Sertoma Club presents a $1,600 check toward a new time clock/scoreboard for the SDSD gymnasium.

