

It's with a very heavy heart to say we just learned that John Gayer passed away unexpectedly on Christmas Eve. John had been ill the week before Christmas.

This leaves many of us with a huge void as he loved pattern, had been heavily active in the NSRCA for so many years (NSRCA member #632), was so involved in helping others with plane setup, understanding maneuvers, rules, and most especially- motivation to keep trying in the face of difficulty. John and I spent hours and hours of time together at the field over the last 5 years. He coached me thru my first contest, my first contest away from home, and took me to my first Nats. He was always at the field, and if I wasn't, he was calling to find out when or why not.

Beyond pattern, and most importantly, John was a great and loyal friend to so many of us. Rest in peace John, we're going to miss you buddy.

Jeff Worsham

It is with a very heavy heart that I pass along the news from Kent Paul and others this morning. John Gayer passed on Christmas eve. I really just heard the news from Russ Shavitz a little while ago. I don't know any more that what is stated below in the email from Kent Paul. I also haven't talked to John's wife Carol yet, but will try and do that later today or tomorrow.

John was a great friend and one of the truly good guys. He was always there to lend a helping hand and was passionately dedicated to what we all love to do. I just don't know how to process what it's going to be like this year without him.

Please keep John's family in your heart and prayers.

Best,  
Joe P.

The Gayer family is not planning a public memorial service for John, so we are getting together at the RMFM flying site to remember John and pay our last respects. It may be just a few of us, or may be more as all welcome to attend if you wish. John's wife Carol and their daughter will be there, and possibly their son if he can get back to Albuquerque by then. We will have a couple of John's pattern planes out there in his memory.

## **Memorial Service**

Saturday December 30th at 2pm. Forecast is sunny, 60deg, 5mph wind (we would normally be out there flying, taking advantage of the unseasonably warm weather)

Our club website: <http://www.rmfm.club>

Location of flying site, about 15min west of Albuquerque: [http://www.rmfm.club/field\\_map.php](http://www.rmfm.club/field_map.php)

Spread the word if you know of anyone who might be interested in coming.

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