

In memoriam: Johan Kos



On June 21st 2025, Johan Kos passed away at the age of 78. When he passed, he was in the loving company of his partner Josine Foreman. Johan was buried at the Maashorst natural burial ground in Schaijk (Netherlands) in the presence of his beloved family and friends.

Johan dedicated his life to the Pathwork and as a helper and teacher he had a great impact on the lives of so many. He not only worked with people in the Netherlands, but also in Germany, Italy, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Italy, Israel and Brazil. He held various positions within the Pathwork community in the Netherlands and was president of the International Pathwork Foundation for some years.

Johan was one of the first people to bring the Pathwork to the Netherlands. He met John and Eva Pierrakos by 'coincidence' at the Findhorn Foundation in Scotland in the seventies where he'd arrived with his own dance company. As a dancer, he already had a keen interest in people's spiritual and psychological motivations. This was also reflected in the dances he created and performed. After talking to John Pierrakos he decided to go to the Phoenicia Pathwork Center in New York. You can say he was truly guided to the Pathwork and Core Energetics.

Writing poetry was something Johan loved to do. The central theme of his poems was always 'In the Space of the Heart', the heart being the sacred place in us where everything can be welcomed and transformed, no matter how difficult or dark. His poems are spread around the world and are often used as a meditation.

Johan continued working until he could no longer do so because of his illness. Being back home in the spirit world, he surely will continue to help and inspire all of us who are doing our inner transformation work. Being of service to others is and was his true nature.

A final question Johan left us with: "Do you live from fear or from love?"

Johan, thank you so much for bringing your heart and your light to this world.

There are plans for an online memorial service for Johan somewhere this fall. If you are interested in joining that service, please contact Marcel van Litsenburg at mail@marcelvanlitsenburg.nl