

# **John Groesch, Goalkeeper**

**I met John Groesch through his great Mom and Dad  
at our sparkling summer pool  
Yet in an instant knew young John  
from the soccer realm he ruled**

**I recognized John as a king in the kinship  
of those who mind the nets  
and told my sons and players  
his courage not forget**

**For between the posts and crossbar  
John stood fast and knew no fear  
He sparked his team move forward  
so must we ever persevere**

**Oh how John's saves displayed the salvation  
of our greatest goal and keeper  
and so it was John joined God's side  
to mind His nets set deeper**

**And we know brave John still stands strong  
by our side always there in goal  
For John is the keeper in our hearts  
forever with the Keeper of our souls**

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