



John "J" Hughey

February 27, 1944 - October 28, 2015

John Harley Hughey, fisherman, husband, father, and man of God, died on Wednesday October 28, 2015 at 10:15 a.m. at The Journey Home in Bartlesville, Oklahoma following a long battle with cancer. A battle that he didn't lose, but one he overcame time and time again. J was tough. There is no arguing that.

J is survived by his wife of 52 years, Elaine Susie Hughey; his son, Chris Lynn Hughey; his daughters, Eloise Marie Mason and Melissa Sue Gentry; ten grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and many close friends.

Born in Liberal, Kansas to Emmit and Helen Hughey, J was a resident of Oklahoma for more than 45 years. He graduated from Guymon High School in 1962 and served in the US Army as a PFC in Ft. Leonardwood, Missouri. He was an active member at the First Baptist Church and he would be the first to tell anyone that faith and God come first, above all else. J was an avid fisherman for more than 60 years and a three-time state archery champion of the state of Kansas. He was a jack-of-all-trades and he could fix just about anything you put in front of him. That was J, "Mr. Fix It." Now let's be honest... J had a cranky disposition. And all who bore the brunt of J's class ring to the back of their head can attest to such. J despised liberals, pimentos, sarcasm (although it was his forte), laziness, and imperfection. As J would say, "If you can't do it right, then don't do it. And if it breaks, fix it." In honor of J, the family

would ask that you write your Congressman and ask for the resignation of Barack Obama. This can only be viewed as his final protest, as anyone who spent the final weeks of J's life with J will tell you, he went down politically swinging and his commentary on such was nothing short of enduring. But more importantly J was a man of God and he would not want us simply mourning. Rather, he would have us celebrating his new life, his being born again. The material world provides us with the environment to grow not only into physically mature adults, but into spiritually mature human beings, as we prepare to one day take our place in our heavenly home. This is the process Jesus called "being born again." In John 3: verses 3-6, Jesus proclaimed, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born again." It is from this spiritual perspective that we are communicated this truth: that J's physical death is not death at all. Rather, it is his birth from this world into the next. J is in effect, born again. And it is this event, the death of J's physical body and the rebirth of his spiritual one, which he would have us celebrate. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make a donation to The Journey Home. J spent his final days there and the family would also like to thank the staff at both the Journey Home and Jane Phillips Medical Center who took such great care of him. Finally, it is safe to say that J no longer has to lie to his wife Susie about where he has been all day. The truth is out...he's fishing, but this time he is doing it with angels.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, October 31, 2015 at Bartlesville First Baptist Church with Pasor James Biesiadecki officiating. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Walker-Brown Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ Posted by Bruce Potter from Clinton, Oklahoma
So sorry for your loss. J was a great friend during our school years.
Our thoughts and prayers to you and your family.
10/29/2015 at 08:14pm

Posted by David Byrne from Brookfield, Wisconsin
JJ. I didn't know you, but now I wish I would have. You were born in
Liberal Kansas? No wonder you moved! I would have gotten out of
there as well. RIP John, and may you land the Big One!
Condolences to the family. The Byrne Family
11/02/2015 at 03:20pm

Posted by D Fessler from Bellefontaine, Ohio
Please accept my sincere condolences on John's passing. Although
I did not know him other than by reading his exceedingly well-written
obituary, you have my deepest sympathy.
11/02/2015 at 07:14pm

Posted by Phillip Mansfield from Columbia, Tennessee
I am sorry for the loss you are presently experiencing. I have said
farewell to so many loved ones and friends through the years that I
can declare that I have more loved ones in Heaven than upon this
earth. I did not know "J," personally but having read his obituary
online I am convinced he was my kind of people. I celebrate with
you in his promotion and going home. Love each other, hold to
precious memories, and honor "J's" memory through Godly living!
11/02/2015 at 07:18pm

Posted by Lynne Wade from Salem, Oregon
After reading Johns obit and his life, I salute him. The Woman
Marine in me gives this "man of God" a big Semper Fi. His fight
here on earth will continue. He was not alone here and I'm sure he
knows hes not alone in heaven.
11/02/2015 at 07:35pm

Posted by Roy Jessup from Hanahan, South Carolina

I'm sorry to learn of John's passing. Be comforted knowing his witness to Christ as expressed in his obit is testament that he is spiritually alive and is being shared worldwide.

11/03/2015 at 11:47am

Posted by Steve Painter from Covina, California

May God bless Mr. Hughey's soul and my condolences to the Hughey family for their loss. God bless you all.

11/04/2015 at 02:47am

Posted by Alan Scheer from Bartlesville, Oklahoma

The time I spent with J at the E-E have given me a lifetime of teachable moments to share with others. I still use some of his one-liners to this day. I know that it has been a long time, but if you are still living where I think you do, I will be by in the next week or two to say hello. It was always a good thing to run into him in later years, and I count him as a friend. Suzie, I always felt that you admired him as much as you tolerated him. That's the way it should be. :)

11/06/2015 at 05:33am

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