



Johnny Michael Harper

August 2, 1954 - August 9, 2022

Memorial services for Johnny Michael Harper, 68, of Flint, will be held Saturday, August 13, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. at Stewart Family Funeral Home. Visitation will be Friday, August 12, 2022 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. The family will have a private burial service.

Johnny Michael Harper greeted Jesus on Tuesday, August 9, 2022. John was born on August 2, 1954 to Truman and Dorotha Harper. He was a devoted husband to Cindy Rossman Harper and a loving father to three children. John was known for his love of the outdoors, traveling in their RV, spending time on Lake Tyler, and all his entrepreneurial endeavors.

John graduated from Robert E. Lee in May of 1973. He met the love of his life their sophomore year while cruising with his best friend, Kelly Richey, where upon first sight, John knew Cindy was 'the one'. He quickly convinced Cindy to abandon her current ride to join him! As time would prove, they fell deeply in love resulting in their October 1973 marriage. As their lives flourished together and time moved on, John was very attentive and ensured he and Cindy traveled extensively, especially when celebrating their anniversaries. John and Cindy had almost 49 years of togetherness which Cindy will cherish forever.

John was well known by many as "Helpful Harper". His generosity was

sincere. John's benevolence transcended through his many passions, including his entrepreneurial adventures, time in law enforcement, and multiple philanthropic endeavors. Probably one of his kindest and most impactful efforts was when John saw a man with his wife and twin girls living in their car. John went out on a limb, and hired the father giving him the chance he needed to become a stellar and highly recognized employee.

John loved Lake Tyler as it was one of his greatest pleasures. Cruising at sunset was a must at the end of each day. John spent countless hours on the lake with friends and family skiing, fishing, and boating. John freely shared this love with all whom he encountered.

John is survived by his wife Cindy, children, Thomas Harper (fiancé Lauren Steadman) and LeighAnne Allen (Lane). John is also survived by sister, Susan Richardson and husband, Bobby. He is also adored and remembered by four grandchildren: Andrew Harper, Avery Harper, Cameron Harper, and Wright Allen. John is also survived by several brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews. John is preceded in death by his parents, Truman and Dorothea Harper; daughter, Kelli Anne Harper; brother Dave Harper; brother-in-law/dear friend Mark Rossman; and sister-in-law Cynthia Rossman.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given in John's memory to the Smith County Sheriff's Office Foundation, care of Vonda Taliaferro, 227 N. Spring Avenue, Tyler Texas 75702, or, Hospice of East Texas (www.hospiceofeasttexas.org), 4111 University Blvd, Tyler, TX 75701, 903.266.3400.

The family wishes to heartfully thank John's caregiver, Julia Carey, who dedicated her time, love and attention to care for him in his final days. Julia, we so appreciate your help in more ways than we can find words to express.

Cemetery Details

Private Graveside Service - Cathedral in the Pines

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 12. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Memorial Service

AUG 13. 3:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Johnny Michael Harper*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - August 11, 2022 at 03:10 PM

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So sorry to hear about Johnny. May his memory forever be a blessing to his family & friends.

Phil & Dee Gaylin - August 12, 2022 at 12:38 PM

RW

“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



Randi Walker - August 13, 2022 at 02:59 PM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Johnny Michael Harper.*



August 12, 2022 at 06:55 PM



“ 4 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - August 12, 2022 at 04:28 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Johnny Michael Harper.



August 12, 2022 at 11:22 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - August 11, 2022 at 04:36 PM



“ 85 files added to the album Life Tributes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - August 11, 2022 at 03:07 PM

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“ don freeman and pauline steadman purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Johnny Michael Harper.



don freeman and pauline steadman - August 11, 2022 at 02:31 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Johnny Michael Harper.



August 11, 2022 at 02:26 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Johnny Michael Harper.



August 11, 2022 at 08:43 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Johnny Michael Harper.



August 11, 2022 at 08:42 AM