



James Joseph Cotton

September 22, 1952 - August 16, 2021

Joe went to be with our Lord unexpectedly on Monday August 16, 2021 in Blue Eye, MO while serving the Morningside Church Community.

He was born September 22, 1952 to James Joseph Cotton Jr & Barbara Cotton of New Waverly, TX . He is preceded in death by his Father, brother Randy Cotton, and son Christopher Cotton.

Joe was an avid outdoorsman; Hunting, fishing, boating, grill master, and mechanic. However, his greatest passion was serving the Lord. After retirement, he & his wife felt a strong calling from God and moved to Blue Eye Missouri to serve at The Morningside Church. In his home, profession, and community he never stopped teaching, helping or serving. His servant heart complimented his active and adventurous nature. He was a friend and mentor to many. His exemplary life inspires us to share what we have, serve others, and accept people as they are.

He will be greatly missed by his wife of 46 years, Deborah Cotton, daughter Jessica Cotton, Grandchildren: Aaron Standridge & Kayla Avery, McKayla Davis & Dylan Davis, John-David Cotton, Sarah Diane Esposito, Jonathan Louis Esposito, Mother Barbara Cotton, Sister Sandee Dent, Nieces & Nephews, all extended family as well as Special friends: Michael & Kay Maclean, Heather Frost, Ashley Frost, Jayden Frost & The Morningside Community.

Celebration of life will be Friday August 20, 2021 @ 3pm at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home of Willis, TX. As well as an additional celebration at

Morningside Church on September 11, 2021 at 3pm. Address: 180 Grace Chapel Rd. Blue Eye, MO.

Cemetery Details

Smith Memorial Park

10129 FM 1097 Rd W
Willis, TX 77318

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG **20**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis
10129 FM 1097 Rd. W
Willis, TX 77318

Tribute Wall



“ *James Joseph Cotton*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *The first time I met Joe he gently chewed me out for not tying a red flag on some wood beams I was hauling with my truck. He said he almost hit them on a foggy day in the parking lot here at Morningside. I told him that I was so sorry and that my “manly skills” were a work in progress! We instantly became good friends and would still laugh about it from time to time. My husband and I love and appreciated his big, kind heart...we will miss him greatly and look forward to spending eternity with him someday. Love you brother! John and Irene Phillips*

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“ *Marvin Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of James Joseph Cotton*



Marvin Hyvl - August 21, 2021 at 01:17 PM