



## Joe Neal Hoke

July 22, 1936 - February 15, 2024

Joe Neal Hoke, born July 22, 1936, passed away at his home on February 15th, 2024, at the age of 87. He was born to Donald and Inez Hoke. Joe attended Reagan High School in Houston, Texas. Following his high school years, he enlisted in the Marine Corps and excelled in boxing and marksmanship as a rifle range instructor training recruits.

After an honorable discharge, Joe Hoke joined Brown & Root, where he began a career in the construction of submarine pipelines around the world. He began his career on the decks of offshore construction vessels and played a leading role in the evolution of the submarine pipeline construction industry from primitive equipment and processes to the sophisticated construction vessels and highly developed systems and procedures employed today, eventually retiring as an Operations Manager.

Upon retirement, he settled in Huntsville, Texas, spending cherished moments with his family and grandchildren, often at his beloved farm or on family dove hunting trips. Joe was a member of the Reagan Masonic Lodge.

Joe Hoke will be remembered for his dedication to his family, his country, his love of the outdoors and his farm and cattle ranch. He leaves behind a legacy of love, loyalty, and service. He is survived by his brother Pete Hoke and Sister-in-law Sharon Hoke. His children, Joe Hoke Jr. and daughter-in-law Laurie, Sissy Byrd, and Frank Hoke and daughter-in-law Lisa; six grandchildren, Morgan and Hoke Byrd, Cade and Beau Hoke, Lauren and Kinsey Hoke.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Jan Dreesen Hoke, his parents Donald and Inez Hoke, his sisters Alice Gresham and Betty Fowler, and his brother Donald "Peewee" Hoke.

Memorial service will be held at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home at 10 A.M. on Friday February 23, 2024. Memorial condolences to the family may be made at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr.  
Huntsville, TX 77340

# Tribute Wall

LO

“Buddy was an amazing man. I learned so much from working with him. After we both retired, I enjoyed our conversations reliving the good old days. He is greatly missed.”

Lynne O'Hara - August 02, 2024 at 08:28 PM

MH

“Marvin Hyvl lit a candle in memory of Joe Neal Hoke”



Marvin Hyvl - March 02, 2024 at 03:25 PM

CE

“Chris and Shannon Edwards purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joe Neal Hoke.”



Chris and Shannon Edwards - February 22, 2024 at 01:46 PM

JH

“Jeanine & Gene Hoke purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joe Neal Hoke.”



Jeanine & Gene Hoke - February 21, 2024 at 09:15 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joe Neal Hoke.



February 21, 2024 at 05:07 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joe Neal Hoke.



February 20, 2024 at 09:27 PM



“ Celeste Snell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joe Neal Hoke.

Celeste Snell - February 20, 2024 at 09:27 PM



“ Prayers for the family. Nathan always enjoyed talking to Mr. Buddy at his store. He was one of a kind and will be missed.



Nathan and Marci Loesch - February 20, 2024 at 06:48 PM

TF

“ *The Allums Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Joe Neal Hoke.*



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**The Allums Family** - February 20, 2024 at 03:26 PM

DH

“ *Our deepest sympathies to the family. God bless you all Judy and Dennis Humphrey.*

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**Dennis Humphrey** - February 20, 2024 at 11:48 AM

CN

“ *Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Joe Neal Hoke*



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**Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb** - February 20, 2024 at 12:42 AM

BS

“ *Billy, Angela, Megan, and Cody Skains purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joe Neal Hoke.*



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**Billy, Angela, Megan, and Cody Skains** - February 19, 2024 at 06:17 PM