



John Stephen Byrd

December 21, 1957 - July 10, 2019

On Wednesday, July 10, 2019, John Stephen Byrd, loving husband, best friend, and dedicated father of two children, passed away at the age of 61. John was born on December 21, 1957 in Houston, Texas to John Franklin Byrd and Francis Byrd. He graduated from Huntsville High School in Huntsville, Texas on May 26, 1978. John was retired from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDot) and the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB), and was currently a Project Manager, with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) at the Wynne Unit.

John had a passion for life. He loved dove hunting, watching baseball, and just being at his farm mowing, fishing and having fun with his dog Lucy and cat Ernie. He will be dearly missed by his friends and family. John never met a stranger, he was known for his quick wit, his humor and his kind and compassionate spirit. John loved his family and was a wonderful Father and Husband.

John was preceded in death by his father, John Franklin and Mother Francis. He is survived by his wife, Jan "Sissy" Byrd, of 32 years, his two children, Morgan and Hoke Byrd. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, July 13, 2019 at the Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home on 1700 Normal Park Dr., Huntsville, TX at 2 O'clock p.m. You may leave written memorials at www.shmfh.com.

Previous Events

Service

JUL 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340
(936) 291-7300
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Tribute Wall



“ *John Stephen Byrd*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *I am so very sorry to her about John. Little Sissy my thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. I love you even though it has been a while since I've seen you. My heart breaks for you. With much love, H.D.*

H.D. Gresham Jr. - July 14, 2019 at 09:32 AM



“ *Sending my prayers and condolences to the John StephenByrd family.*



Virgie Andrews - July 13, 2019 at 12:50 PM



“ *To the John Stephen Byrd family,*



Virgie Andrews - July 13, 2019 at 12:47 PM



“ *John was a solid cat. RIP brother.*

Louie Williams - July 13, 2019 at 11:07 AM

SN

“ *My thoughts and prayers to the family. I remember John always having a smile on his face. Always a pleasure to be around.*

Shannon M Nash - July 13, 2019 at 10:53 AM

DM

“ *Dawn Bradley Moore lit a candle in memory of John Stephen Byrd*



Dawn Bradley Moore - July 12, 2019 at 02:06 PM

LJ

“ *Linda Johnson purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of John Stephen Byrd.*



Linda Johnson - July 12, 2019 at 01:09 PM

BL

“ *I am so sorry to hear about John. He was always very nice and pleasant to work with at TxDOT. My sincerest sympathy to his loved ones. My girls just lost their dad 2 weeks ago to a heart attack and we are still numb and trying to process the whole thing. May God Bless you and comfort you in all the days ahead.*

Bonnie Loehr - July 12, 2019 at 11:51 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Stephen Byrd.



July 12, 2019 at 11:48 AM



“ Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a candle in memory of John Stephen Byrd



Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb - July 12, 2019 at 11:33 AM



“ Sharon Hoke lit a candle in memory of John Stephen Byrd



sharon hoke - July 12, 2019 at 08:11 AM



“ I'm sorry to hear of John's passing. I went to High School with John. After graduating I would see him from time to time but lost contact after my wife and I moved to Goliad five years ago. This world lost a good man and he was well loved. John will be missed by all who knew him. His Family are in my prayers.

Mike Reeves - July 11, 2019 at 06:26 PM

RC

“ Rhonda Carpenter lit a candle in memory of John Stephen Byrd



Rhonda Carpenter - July 11, 2019 at 05:05 PM

KW

“ Our family will be praying for yours.

Karin & Robert Williams - July 11, 2019 at 04:00 PM

WS

All my love to the family. John was such a great guy!

Wendy Skains-McLeod - July 11, 2019 at 09:19 PM

AC

“ Albert And Michelle Courtney lit a candle in memory of John Stephen Byrd



Albert and Michelle Courtney - July 11, 2019 at 02:52 PM

JA

“ I've been working with John only a couple of months. He loved his family and he talked about them so much. His wife "Sissy" and the kids. I know the story of how his son got his name, how smart the daughter was and so much more. I cried like it was my brother when I got the call. Love ❤️ you John Byrd. R. I. P my friend

jeri adams - July 11, 2019 at 01:23 PM



“ I went to high school with John (he was a couple of years ahead of me), but he was a friend to all that knew him!! We spent many a weekend night at the old "Dip" congregating & playing pool; and the old "Red Barn" dancing! I would pass him out by where we both lived often and loved seeing that he still had his interest in fixing old trucks & cars!! I am so sorry for the loss to his family... He was a good friend!!! ;) ❤️



Jamie Sue Brinegar - July 11, 2019 at 12:07 PM

MH

“ M. Hyvl lit a candle in memory of John Stephen Byrd



M. Hyvl - July 11, 2019 at 10:01 AM

KH

“ John Byrd was a happy and grateful man. He was his happiest when outdoors and tinkering on something at his workshop; he talked about it all the time! He loved his children and was most grateful for his wife, affectionately called "Sissy," whom he felt was totally out of his league. He loved making her laugh. He will be missed. Rest, John, till we see you again...

Keenan Harrison - July 11, 2019 at 12:55 AM



“ *My heart is in a million pieces right now. I love this family as much as my own and have spent many days, nights and road trips with them between baseball games, tournaments, and our kids being good friends. I will miss the long talks and stories from Mr. Byrd he will be forever in our hearts and in our kids. Thank you for everything you did for my son. Love you Sissy*

Crystal Bunn - July 10, 2019 at 11:59 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John Stephen Byrd.*



July 10, 2019 at 09:54 PM



“ *My heart is broken to hear this. John was such a genuine man with a smile and a kind word every time we saw him. God be with all of you during this time of grief and sadness.
Blaine, Sherry, Breanna, Brian and Garrett Fabre*

Sherry Fabre - July 10, 2019 at 08:41 PM



“ *My heart was broken when I heard about John this morning. I considered him a true friend and a man who was good to his core. He impacted one life I know of in an incredible way. Our prayers are with you and your family as you treasure your memories and walk this path.*

Karen Altom - July 10, 2019 at 07:47 PM

EP

John was a good man and a good friend. May you rest in peace my friend .God Bless your family in this time of mourning.

Ernie Pegoda - July 10, 2019 at 10:50 PM

SS

“ *Jan .. i am so sorry for your loss. John was a wonderful man. I have many years of good memories of John.*

Susan (Losack) Schumacher - July 10, 2019 at 05:40 PM