



John Harris III

July 2, 1949 - August 21, 2018

John Coffee Harris III was born on July 2, 1949 in Houston, TX to Mary Jane Graves and John Coffee Harris, Sr. The youngest child, he grew up in Houston with sisters Mary and Angela. He was a member of the swim team in high school and graduated from St. Thomas High School in Houston. He received his Bachelor's degree from Angelo State University. Following college, he was a bank examiner. At one point, he worked on an oil rig in the ocean. He was a land man and various other positions within the oil and gas industry. In 1980, a career opportunity brought him to Tulsa, OK. He met Becky McKendrick in Tulsa and they were married in 1983, until her passing in 2007. In 1991, he went back to school and graduated with his Juris Doctorate from the University of Tulsa, School of Law. He specialized in oil and gas law and criminal law. He did a lot of pro bono work for the court. He met his wife, Janet, in 2009 and they married in 2016. Some of his time was spent on the beach in Big Sur, California and the Monterrey/Carmel area nearby. His most special times were surrounded by family either in California, Texas or Oklahoma at holidays. He was a strong person who was a survivor, so full of life; and went above and beyond to help others and positively impact the world, whatever he did. He was preceded in death by: His parents, John Coffee Harris, Sr. and Mary Jane Graves and first wife, Becky. He is survived by: His wife, Janet Harris, of the home. Sister-Mary Harris Grimaldo and her husband, Rogelio Their children- Angela Grimaldo and Christina Grimaldo-Worth and husband, Daniel Worth Sister-Angela Harris, Caughlin-Cannady and husband, Will Cannady Her children- Kelly Caughlin-Savukinas and husband, Robert Savukinas Their children-Anna, Rosie and Stella Melissa Caughlin-Marks and husband, Jim Marks Their children-George, Charlie and Jane Tom Caughlin and wife, Sarah Their children-Parker and Harris Step Children Julie Dyson and husband, William Their children-Madelyn, Rachel and Reed Kristi Mayopoulos and husband, Mike Their children- Hannah and Hadley. Andrea Mitchell and her daughters-Lindsey and Lilli. A memorial service will be held in John's honor at 2 pm on Monday, August 27, at the Floral Haven Rose Chapel.

Comments



“ John was always – ALWAYS smiling and laughing. He always made you feel special. He acted as if everyone was his best friend. He was special and he will be missed.

Robert W Giles - August 27, 2018 at 10:18 AM



“ John had more courage than any person I know. Even in the worst times in the last few months I never heard him say “why me”. I will miss him very much.

David Scott - August 27, 2018 at 08:25 AM



“ Thank you to those that have written the beautiful words of sympathy and remembrance about my brother. I miss him terribly, and my pain right now is intense, having lost such an upbeat, funny, and sweet member of my family. John always found the humor in any situation, right up until the end. Barely able to talk, he was still making jokes and determined to make us smile. He loved his life, he loved Janet and her family, and he loved Oklahoma! He was always driving around, exploring the state, and so enthusiastic about anything new that he happened upon, such as a lovely hidden neighborhood, or a little lake out in the country. Godspeed, John, one day we will be with you, and you can show us around heaven! Love and hugs!

Mary and Rogelio Grimaldo - August 24, 2018 at 06:34 PM



“ A beautiful full of life person. An example for all to live by. I will miss you everyday. Life will definitely not be as great without you.

Kristi Mayopoulos - August 24, 2018 at 09:19 AM



“ My deep condolences and sympathy to you. The Bible makes this comforting promise: “Jehovah is near to those that are broken at heart; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves.” (Psalm 34:18) It is comforting to know that God has promised a resurrection hope soon. (John 5:28, 29)

EB - August 24, 2018 at 09:01 AM