



# John William Cook

November 29, 1943 - December 14, 2023

John William Cook went to be with the Lord peacefully with his family at his side on Dec. 14, 2023.

A celebration of his life will be at 10:30am, Saturday, January 13, 2024, at Terrell Bible Church located at 801 Johnson St. in Terrell. A lunch and reception will immediately follow the service at the fellowship hall.

The service will be livestreamed at the church's website, [www.terrellbible.org](http://www.terrellbible.org).

John was born to William Cook and Eleanor Lenz in W. Frankfort, IL on November 29, 1943. He graduated from Texas Tech University and was one of the founders of Sigma Phi Epsilon on the campus. He was also on the Golden Gloves boxing team.

John married Lori and have been married for over 41 years. He was a faithful servant at their church, Terrell Bible, volunteering in various capacities, including the fellowship committee. He welcomed the opportunity to tell others about the Lord and was quick to forgive others who may have wronged him. John never met a stranger and was an encourager, especially to the young.

He retired from UPS and started Video and Tanning in 1987 and closed in 2001. John had a calling to get involved in politics to get godly people elected and to encourage Christians to vote. He served on the State Republican Executive Committee and was relentless in his calling, even walking door to door with snow on the ground.

John enjoyed his children and grandchildren at every opportunity. John and Lori enjoyed traveling and were blessed to have visited many places in the U.S. and outside the U.S. He also enjoyed photography and working with his hands on various projects.

John was preceded in death by his parents and sister Peggy. He is survived by his wife Lori, daughters Tara and Erin, son Josh, 7 grandchildren, 5 great children, brother David and countless friends.

He will be remembered by his love for his family, his contagious smile, his generosity, his patriotism, and his love for the Lord Jesus.

My Dear John,

I am so thankful to the Lord for putting us together years ago though we were unaware that it was His doing. We know each other so well and (even so) I love you for who you are. Your “tough guy” attitude is only a façade to your true character of compassion and love. I love you because of your gift of encouragement, your smiling face and wit. And I love you for putting up with me through these years and look forward to seeing you in heaven, by God’s grace.

Lori

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 13. 10:30 AM (CT)

Terrell Bible Church  
801 Johnson St.  
Terrell, TX 75160  
[pastor@terrellbible.org](mailto:pastor@terrellbible.org)

# Tribute Wall



“ *I've met few people who loved their country more than John did. He was a man of words but more importantly, he was a man of deeds. We will all miss his cheerful disposition and inspiration. May the Lord bless John abundantly as he is received in His heavenly home.*

*Jeb Hensarling*

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**Jeb Hensarling** - January 26, 2024 at 02:13 PM

PF

“ *Dear Lori,*

*We pray for the comfort and strength of the Lord for you and your family today and in the days to come.*

*I always enjoyed talking to John when he accompanied you to iVoterGuide events. We rejoice that he is with the Lord.*

*We planned to attend the service today, but sickness prevented it.*

*Hope to see you soon.*

*Blessings,  
Paula and Tom Ford*

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**Paula Ford** - January 13, 2024 at 04:50 PM

LW

“ *Linda White lit a candle in memory of John William Cook*



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**Linda White** - January 10, 2024 at 11:01 AM

JK

“ Some family pictures..



jason Kaup - January 08, 2024 at 10:06 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of John William Cook.



January 08, 2024 at 01:04 PM

JM

“ Dad with Josie, 2017.



Josh Mckibben - January 07, 2024 at 08:02 PM

HF

“ Hawkins Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John William Cook.

Hawkins Family - December 15, 2023 at 10:42 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John William Cook.



December 15, 2023 at 10:42 PM

ER

“ Edmund R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John William Cook.

Edmund R. - December 15, 2023 at 09:16 PM


LC

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Lori Cook - December 15, 2023 at 07:41 PM

EK

We all  loved him so much. He was always joyful and loving and always showed that he loved Jesus. We will miss him greatly.

Ed Kaup - December 15, 2023 at 09:25 PM

EK

Lori is my oldest daughter and I was always proud of her choice of loving husband.

Ed Kaup - December 15, 2023 at 09:27 PM

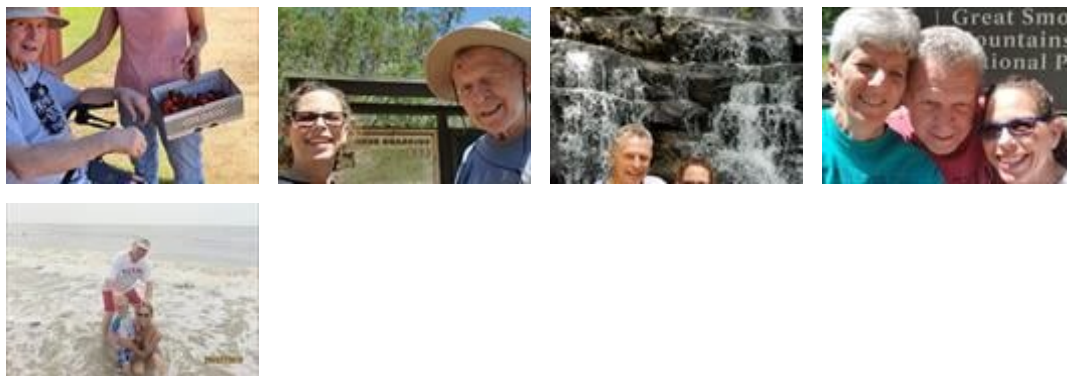
LW

John and his wife Lori were always so friendly and always smiling every time I would see them. Prayers for Lori and the whole family.

Linda White - January 10, 2024 at 11:08 AM

TC

“ Thank you for taking great care of my dad. I'm blessed with so many memories of us!



Tara Cook - December 15, 2023 at 05:23 PM

PH

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**Pam Hanson** - December 15, 2023 at 03:25 PM



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**Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations** - December 15, 2023 at 01:45 PM