



John Perkins Hunter

February 4, 1922 - February 16, 2015

John Perkins Hunter, 93, died peacefully in his sleep early Monday morning, February 16, 2015, in Tyler, Texas.

John was born February 4, 1922 in Diboll, Texas to Clarence and Mary Ethel Hunter. The family lived in Fastrill, Texas, a Southern Pine Lumber company town, for several years and then moved to Rusk, Texas. John Hunter joined the United States Marine Corps in 1942. He was stationed in the New Herbrides Islands where he served as a radar operator. John was honorably discharged as a Sergeant in November of 1945.

After the war, John gained employment with the United States Postal Service in Rusk, where he worked for twenty-six years. Assistant Postmaster John Hunter retired in 1972 at the age of 50 and he loved it!

John was a religious man and he always helped others. He was an Elder of the First Presbyterian Church in Rusk. John was a good man, a great uncle, a mentor, and a friend. And all critters, no matter how ornery, liked him.

John is survived by a sister-in-law, Pauline Hunter of Houston, nephews, Steve, Brad, and Gready Hunter, nieces Toni Heagerty, Mary Ethel Guinn of New Mexico, four great nephews, two great nieces, and two great great nieces. John Hunter had many friends and acquaintances, and the consensus

of all is this, Mr. John P. Hunter was a gracious gentlemen and a good guy.

A memorial service is scheduled for 1:00 p.m., Saturday, February 21, 2015 at First Presbyterian Church in Rusk with Rev. David O'Neal officiating. A private burial will be held before the service at Cedar Hill Cemetery. There will be no visitation.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Perkins Hunter*

October 04, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *John's mother, Ethel Perkins Bordeaux Hunter, and my grandmother, Rhoda Langhorne Whiteside, were step-sisters. I met "Aunt Ethel" when she visited in Houston when I was a child. Although I never met John, our families have a connection. I send my deepest condolences. Peace. Carolyn Whiteside Panko.*

Carolyn Panko - January 06, 2019 at 05:23 PM



“ *Mr. Hunter was a great man. i remember him as i grew up in the Presbyterian Church. he was always invoved in everything and was fun to be around. My parents were good friends of his and he will be missed. God bless him and his family*

Bob Edwards - February 23, 2015 at 10:15 PM



“ *Sorry to not be able to attend the service. John was a part of my young life in Rusk. from the Post office by day and Mannings Grocery Store in the evenings. He was kind and gracious. My last visit with him was at the mall in Tyler. He was glad to see a familiar face from Rusk. He was a helpful friend to many. Always a gentleman. Suzann Mehner McCarty*

Suzann Mehner McCarty - February 20, 2015 at 09:15 PM

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“ *Our Uncle John was a friend and caregiver to many in the Rusk area. He was half brother to our Grandmother, Ada Samora, of Rusk, and uncle to our Mother, Betty Higginbotham, of Jacksonville. There are words that come to mind when I think of Uncle John.....kind, giving, gentleman, friend. We will miss him.*

Brenda Hesterley - February 19, 2015 at 07:06 AM