



## John Leon Vaughn

July 7, 1961 - September 17, 2025

John Leon Vaughn was born July 7, 1961, in Los Angeles, California, to Tom and Zoetta Ruth (Holland) Baxter. He passed away on September 17, 2025, in Tishomingo, Oklahoma.

John grew up in Sweet Home, Oregon, where he spent his teen years. Over the course of his life, he worked in the oil field, as a fisherman, and as a woodcutter. He was a proud member of Tishomingo First Assembly.

An outdoorsman at heart, John enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, riding motorcycles and collecting knives and belt buckles. While he never had children of his own, raising kids and being involved in the lives of his stepchildren and grandchildren was one of his greatest joys. He taught others to love family deeply and always put loved ones first. During his final years, his sister Janet lovingly cared for him in her home.

John is survived by his mother, Zoetta Baxter; stepson, Shan Smith; brothers, Bob Vaughn of Tishomingo, Sherman Vaughn and wife Sonja of Ravia, Walter "Dub" Vaughn and girlfriend Kathy Drinnon, and Wesley Baxter and wife Donna of Sweet Home, Oregon; sisters, Janet Harcrow and husband David of Tishomingo, and Darlene Baxter of Ravia; grandchildren, Charlie Fergeson, Salena Fergeson, Chloe Smith, and Rebecca Smith; and his girlfriend, Christy Simmons.

He was preceded in death by his father, Tom Baxter, and sister, Patricia Culp.

Graveside services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, September 22, 2025, at Condon Grove Cemetery in Milburn. Family hour will be held Sunday, September 21, from 2:00–5:00 p.m. at DeArman-Clark Funeral Home in Tishomingo. Those serving as pallbearers will be Michael Day, David Harcrow, Bobby Vaughn, Sherman Vaughn, Daniel Harcrow, David J. Harcrow, and Jon Harcrow. Honorary pallbearers are Walter “Dub” Vaughn, Bill Claborn, and Wesley Baxter.

# Cemetery Details

## Condon Grove Cemetery

Milburn, OK 73450

# Previous Events

## Family & Friends

SEP **21**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

DeArman - Clark Funeral Home  
305 E. Main  
Tishomingo, OK 73460  
(580) 371-2338  
dearmanclarkfh@gmail.com  
<https://www.dearmanfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

SEP **22**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Condon Grove Cemetery  
Milburn, OK 73450

# Tribute Wall

SF

“ *Best papa in the world I will love you and I'll remember you forever I will always be your little pooter I love you and I hope you catch all the fish where your at kisses and hugs forever I love you*



Selena Ferguson - September 20, 2025 at 03:22 PM

SD

“ *An amazing stepdad. I will miss him a lot.*



Sandra Dubson - September 19, 2025 at 05:05 PM

SP

“ *Steven Parker lit a candle in memory of John Leon Vaughn*



Steven Parker - September 19, 2025 at 03:51 PM

SH

“ *When I was a kid I always thought he was so cool.he would pull up on a motorcycle with his hair slicked back and his dark shades on.. he's always been a awesome person..my prayers are with the family ❤️*

Sherrie Holt - September 19, 2025 at 01:11 PM

MM

“ *Mary J Mclean lit a candle in memory of John Leon Vaughn*



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**Mary J Mclean** - September 19, 2025 at 06:56 AM

MM

*Rip uncle John until we meet again .*

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**Mary J Mclean** - September 19, 2025 at 06:57 AM

DB

“ *Donna Baxter lit a candle in memory of John Leon Vaughn*



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**Donna Baxter** - September 18, 2025 at 10:49 PM