



## Johnnie "John" Michael Balentine

August 28, 1953 - May 15, 2024

Johnnie "John" Michael Balentine was born in Fort Smith, Arkansas to Wayne and Etta Balentine on August 28, 1953. He passed from this life on May 15, 2024, at home with family by his side at the age of 70 years. His heart was all about his family and was a loving husband, father, grandfather and brother. John worked in sales for the majority of his life. He always had a joke and a laugh wherever he went making deliveries. It was during this time that he met and married his love, Judy, on August 26, 2002. Together they made their home in Tishomingo, OK. After 20 plus years with the J.C. Potters Company he then retired.

Being a true cowboy at heart, John loved to watch Gunsmoke, Bonanza and any John Wayne movie. He found his greatest enjoyment by spending time with his children and grandchildren. He spent many hours telling them stories and sharing family meals on Sunday after church. Another favorite was traveling back to Arkansas to spend time with his cousin Barbara and her husband Ralph.

John was blessed to be a part of a large family. He was one of nineteen children. His siblings include Mac, Joan, Jimmy, Ronald, Gary, Diane, Paula, Karen, Mona, Tina, Carroll, Bill, Sue, Betty, Linda, Melba, JoAnn and Lynn.

He is survived by his wife, Judy, of the home. His (son) John Wayne and wife

Lindsey, (daughter) Cindy and husband Heath, (daughter) Kristi, (son) Terry and wife Nicki, (son) Cody. Grandchildren, Dalton, Tanner, Tiffani, Hesston, Morgan, Jennifer, Gunner, Zeke, Easton, Dayton and Karson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Wayne and Etta Balentine, 3 brothers, Mac, Jimmy and Bill, 6 sisters, Mona, Melba, Sue, Betty, Linda and Lynn and 1 grandchild, Tanner.

John will be loved and missed but never forgotten.

Quote: "Courage is being scared to death, but saddling up anyway."

— John Wayne, Big Jake

No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements were made under the care and direction of DeArman-Clark Funeral Home. Friends and family may leave online condolences on our website at [www.dearmanfuneralhome.com](http://www.dearmanfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jeckle and Hyde together again* ”

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**John Charles Stevens Sr** - May 18, 2024 at 12:28 AM