



Mr. John Ross Houser

September 20, 1950 - February 6, 2024

John Ross Houser, born September 20, 1950, died February 6, 2024. John was born in Greenville, AL, and grew up in Magnolia Springs, AL. He graduated from Magnolia Springs School and Foley High School, and he attended Troy University and Mobile College.

Most of his life centered around water, boats, and fishing. John had a successful career in the marine supply business in south Baldwin County for over 50 years. Over the course of these years, he owned and operated Houser Marine, Lario Pump Company, and, most recently, Blue Water Ships Store. Whether it was helping a customer pick out a part for their boat or showing a grandchild how to bait a hook, he shared his love of the water with everyone he met.

His infectious smile was one of his most endearing attributes. No matter if he was working or playing, he put those around him at ease. John's favorite days were those on spent on Magnolia River with his family and friends. Many happy memories were created around his kitchen table playing cards and eating fresh-caught fish.

John was predeceased by his parents, Shaler and Sue (Morton) Houser; his sister, Peggy Sue Houser Jacobs; and his sister-in-law Janie Phillips Houser. He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Amanda Nall Houser, and children Pam Houser Reaves, Ross (Taylor) Houser, and Mary Beth Ray (Travis) Willis. He

is also survived by three brothers: Charlie (Sally Jo) Houser, Morty (Jan) Houser, and David Houser; his brother-in-law, Ray Jacobs; and numerous nieces and nephews, all of whom he loved like his own children. His grandchildren, who lovingly referred to him as "Big Papa," are Grant (Lawren) Reaves; Laurel (Thomas) Downs; Ruby, Jackson, and Carlisle Houser; and Madison and Connor Willis. His great-grandchildren are Ellie Sue and Jetta Mae Downs and William Craig Reaves, II. His fourth great-grandchild, John Houser Reaves, will arrive this spring.

A memorial service will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Chapel in Magnolia Springs, AL, at 11:00 am on Thursday, February 15th. The burial will follow at Pine Rest Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, the family asks donations be made to Ochsner Medical Center Multi-Organ Transplant Center in honor of John and the heart he received in 2015 (http://ochhs.convio.net/goto/John_Houser).

Cemetery Details

Pine Rest Memorial Park

16541 US Hwy 98
Foley, AL 36535
(251) 943-5667
info@pinerestfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB **15**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul's Episcopal Chapel
14755 Oak St
Magnolia Springs, AL

Tribute Wall

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“ David Green and GreenCo Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. John Ross Houser.



David Green and GreenCo Family - February 14, 2024 at 04:32 PM

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“ David Green and GreenCo Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. John Ross Houser.

David Green and GreenCo Family - February 14, 2024 at 04:32 PM

PJ

“ Uncle JOHN was always a Pleasure2b around. He Always LookedOUT4 me when i was a NewComer 2 the FAM. John always gave PG, Justin & i DISCOUNT\$ @ his STORE...Always Unselfish. Thank GOD for Putting him n Our LIVES here on EARTH!!

Phillip Jowers - February 14, 2024 at 12:39 AM



My con d okescebes goes out to John Houser family. Good honest man, Husband, Father and Devoted son to Sue Hiuser. Love yiu all, Willie Bodifird.

Willie Bodiford - February 17, 2025 at 10:21 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mr. John Ross Houser.*



February 13, 2024 at 04:48 PM



“ *Phil & Juss purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Mr. John Ross Houser.*



Phil & Juss - February 12, 2024 at 10:18 AM



“ *Phil & Juss planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. John Ross Houser.*

Phil & Juss - February 12, 2024 at 10:18 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mr. John Ross Houser.*



February 10, 2024 at 03:21 PM

PM

“ I was lucky to work for John a good part of my life. He was an exceptional businessman and a great person. We also shared the transplant experience at Ochsner. He was a walking miracle and I am blessed to have known him. Amanda I pray for God's healing of your heart.

Paula



Paula Murphy - February 08, 2024 at 09:28 PM

JC

“ I am very sorry to learn of John's death. He taught me so much, and had a positive and generous spirit. In the last 20 years he was the source of much appreciated advice and wise counsel to me. There is a debt to him which I can never repay.

JAMES PARRISH COLEMAN - February 08, 2024 at 10:22 AM