



Mr. John "Johnny" Benjamin King

July 25, 1952 - February 11, 2014

John "Johnny" Benjamin King, 61, of Tatum, passed from this life on February 11, 2014 in Tyler. He was born July 25, 1952 in Lafayette, Louisiana. He was preceded in Death by his parents Robert Henry King and Grace Lucie "Sissy" Brent. He had been a resident of Tatum since 2006. He had his own oil field instrument business where he kept his mother busy assisting him. He taught class at a tech school in Houston where he enjoyed teaching others about the business. He had a love for motorcycles since he was a child where he started out on a moped and eventually got a Harley-Davidson. He loved Harley-Davidson so much he went to and graduated from Motorcycle Mechanics Institute in Phoenix, Arizona. He returned home to Lafayette, Louisiana where he was employed at Cajun Harley-Davidson for several years.

Survivors include: loving companion, Linda Colcord of Tatum; daughter, Casey King Malone; step-daughter, Rhondia Garza of the Stewart Community; sister, Jo Ann King Bernard of Lafayette, LA; and grandchildren, Lauren and Morgan Langlinais, and Sophia Garza.

A memorial service for Mr. King will be held at 2 pm on Friday, February 14, 2014 at the home of Johnny and Linda in Tatum with Rev. Ted White officiating.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Tatum Cemetery

Tatum, TX

Tribute Wall

 Joshua
Pettit

“ My name is Joshua Pettit and “Big John” was my step dad for 7 years of my life in Axtell Texas. The time that he was in my life was the most important years for the development of a young man, from my prospective anyways. My brother and I were lacking in the male role model department when he came into our lives, my brother and I being 13 and 12, and we were headed down the wrong road at the time. I’m happy to say that he didn’t take it easy on us, not so happy at the time though haha. He was by far the greatest influence on who I’ve become in life and it pains me to be just finding out that he’s since past away, before I had the chance to tell him this myself; things didn’t go well with him and my mother but I hope he at least knew that he helped me. I’m happy to have had him in my life and I want to say thank you to his surviving family; Big John was a wise man that taught me so much: he taught me patience, the value of hard work, the importance of continued education, to stand up for what I believe in, and the most important of all “just be a good person”. He will be missed. Thank you!

Joshua Pettit - April 26, 2018 at 10:47 PM

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“ Curley was a great guy! A man's man with a distinctive laugh and love for life. He loved Linda and all of his family and friends so much and they loved him.

George Roberts

George Roberts - February 16, 2014 at 05:59 PM



Mark
Pitts

“ *John was a mentor and good friend. When I began my career as a Harley tech, he taught me all the tricks of the trade a good mechanic should know, and always with a smile and that unmistakable laugh. You meant the world to me brother, I will miss you...*

Mark

Mark Pitts - February 14, 2014 at 02:24 PM