



Johnnie Leighton Taylor

July 8, 1946 - May 16, 2025

Johnnie Leighton Taylor passed away on May 16, 2025, surrounded by his cherished family. He was born on July 8th, 1946 to L.D. and Elizabeth (Brown) Taylor. John grew up in Smyer, Texas where he met his childhood sweetheart Connie Taylor. They married on November 14, 1964.

Johnnie built a lifelong career as a dedicated welder, respected for both his skill and strong work ethic. He took pride in his craft and built small businesses along the way. He also served as a Hockley County Constable and was an active member of the Freemasons. Outside of work, Johnnie found joy in the outdoors-whether hunting, fishing, or golfing, he relished time spent in nature. These moments were even more meaningful when shared with family. As a proud and loving grandfather, some of his happiest times were those spent with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, making memories that will be cherished for generations.

Johnnie was preceded in death by: his wife Connie Taylor, his parents L.D. Taylor and Elizabeth (Brown) Taylor, his brother Jimmie Taylor, nephew Greg Taylor, and niece Jamie Newton.

Johnnie will be deeply missed by those who knew him, including son Mike Taylor and daughter-in-law Cindy Taylor, his daughter Shelly Cerovski and son-in-law Larry Cerovski, and his cherished granddaughters Keleigh Albright

and her husband Tate Albright, Whitney Stallard and her husband Rawley Stallard, as well as his great-grandchildren Reese and Briggs Albright.

A funeral service to honor his life will be held on Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 10:00 am, At Sanders Memorial Chapel, with a brief visitation at 9:00 am, and followed by burial in Smyer Cemetery in Smyer, Texas. Johnnie's love will always be remembered, and his legacy will live on in the hearts of his family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Smyer Cemetery

Smyer, TX 79367

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sanders Memorial Chapel
1420 Main Street
Lubbock, TX 79401

Tribute Wall



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Johnnie Leighton Taylor



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“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Johnnie Leighton Taylor



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Johnnie Leighton Taylor.

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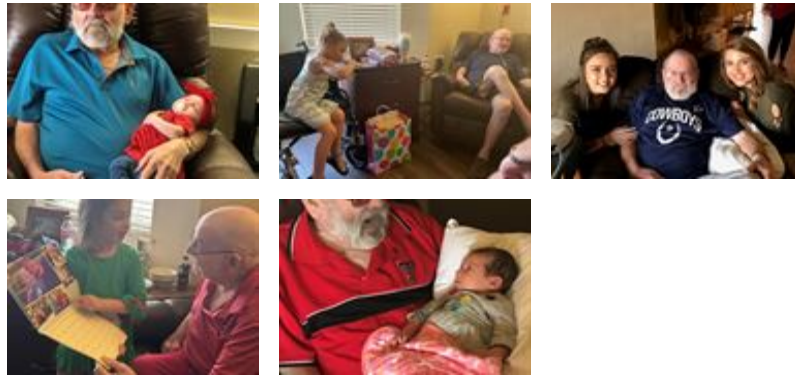
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