



Joe A. Cook

June 23, 1943 - March 21, 2021

Joe A. Cook, 77, of Copperas Cove, Texas passed away on March 21, 2021 at his residence. He was born in Kempner, Texas to Freeman and Amanda Broadway Cook on June 22, 1943. Joe married Lillian Lemaster on November 6, 1976 in Killeen, Texas enjoying 44 years of marriage. Mr. Cook had resided in Copperas Cove for the past 35 years and was a member of the Broad Street Church of Christ in Lampasas, Texas.

Joe served in the US Navy where he performed underwater demolition and served in Vietnam as an Amphibious Boat Coxswain. After serving in the Navy Joe obtained his Associate's Degree in electrical repair from CTC. He worked for the Central Music Company in Killeen, Texas as well as the 7-11 Corporation. Later, he joined the TDCJ-ID as a corrections officer where he worked for 18 years and retired from the Hughes Unit in Gatesville, Texas.

Joe was a proud member of the American Legion, Post 223, the 40-8 Organization, and the VFW where he would volunteer his time and services. Upon retiring from the TDCJ-ID he became a substitute teacher for Copperas Cove ISD which he loved. Joe also loved pitching horse shoes and was a member of the Texas Horseshoe Pitching Association.

Joe is survived by his wife, Lillian (Lillie) Cook of Copperas Cove, Texas, his two sons, Joshua Cook (Sapna) of Mansfield, Texas and Jeremy Cook of Lampasas, Texas, one foster child, Marilyn Brackett of Copperas Cove, Texas, and his granddaughter, Shivani Cook of Mansfield, Texas. He is also survived by one brother, Edwin Cook (Barbara) of Killeen, Texas and two sisters,

Genevieve (“BB”) Kelley of Lampasas and Janice Simpson (Larry) of Lampasas, Texas.

On Saturday, March 27, 2021 at Heritage Funeral Home in Lampasas, Texas, there will be a family visitation with viewing from 3:00 – 5:00 PM with cremation to follow.

Memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society in Mr. Cooks memory.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Heritage Funeral Home of Lampasas.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 27. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Heritage Funeral Home
401 N Key Ave
Lampasas, TX 76550

Tribute Wall

LA

“ *Lee Afferbach lit a candle in memory of Joe A. Cook*



Lee Afferbach - March 27, 2021 at 09:53 PM

CW

“ *I hear the clattering of dominos and the 45s rocking on the stereo now. Such fun memories from 2310 Sunny Ln have moved heavenward. So comforting to see you kept your good heart all these years, Joe. My sincere condolences to Lily and all your family. Much love, Cindy Wren*

Cindy Wren - March 25, 2021 at 10:36 PM

JO

“ *I met Mr. Cook when I worked at both junior highs and then at the high school; he sometimes substituted for me. He was very patient, caring, and helpful, not only with us teachers but also the students. When we had a moment, he and I would talk about the weather, our families, and places we have traveled. I will miss him very much.*

James Ortiz - March 25, 2021 at 04:07 PM

SP

“ *The halls of Copperas Cove High School will feel emptier without Mr. Cook. He was sub for many of us, but a permanent fixture in the eyes of the teachers, students, and staff. He will definitely be missed.*

Shelley Posey - March 25, 2021 at 10:53 AM

SP

“ Mr. Cook will be missed by so many. I have been at the high school for over 22 years and I have known and relied on Mr. Cook for many of those years. He was truly a kind soul and anyone who had Mr. Cook as their substitute could count on things being done accurately. He was a permanent fixture here at CCHS and we will all miss him. Our hearts are heavy with grief and we pray for comfort and healing for his family, friends, and loved ones. Rest In Peace Mr. Cook!

Sandra Perry - March 25, 2021 at 07:18 AM

CH

“ Mr. Cook was a wonderful caring individual. He was always there for me and many others when we had to be out. He was amazing with our students and staff. He was well-liked and loved by all. He is going to be missed. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and the family.

C Heinze - March 24, 2021 at 11:42 PM

NN

“ Mr. Cook was well respected and liked by my students and I. He was the go to guy for many of us in the CTE Department at CCHS when we needed to be away from class.

Nate Nicholson - March 24, 2021 at 07:58 PM



“ With Distinction was purchased for the family of Joe A. Cook.



March 24, 2021 at 05:19 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joe A. Cook.



March 24, 2021 at 05:12 PM



“ Your family is in my thoughts & prayers. Mr. Cook was a Substitute when I came to the HS 20 years ago and started as Sub Coordinator. He was always a wonderful Sub. So sorry for your loss. Sincerely, Denise McFarland

Denise McFarland - March 24, 2021 at 01:10 PM



“ Deepest sympathy and prayers for the family.

Mary McCann

Mary McCann - March 24, 2021 at 12:13 PM



“ Your love, your patience, your understanding, your wisdom and your amazing sense of humour will live on inside us forever. You have given us gifts that are more precious than anything in this world. You've always been an amazing father-in-law, and a wonderful grandpa. I'm going to miss playing horse shoes and corn hole with you. I miss you and love you very much

Sapna Cook - March 24, 2021 at 10:49 AM

LP

“ *My Uncle Joe is the most loveable person with a gentle heart. I could always count on him for a joke and a good laugh. He is a proud veteran who came to my elementary school one year as my Show and Tell project. Uncle Joe a.k.a. Uncle Toad told us about being a Frogman in the Navy. I miss you and love you very much. God bless you and keep you safe. Liz a.k.a. Libby!*

Liz Patton - March 23, 2021 at 12:17 PM