



## Johnny Lee McMahan

May 10, 1942 - May 8, 2022

Johnny Lee McMahan, 79, known as the Mayor of Rose Hill died Sunday, May 8, 2022 at Rose Hill. He was born May 10, 1942 to Arthur Lee and Gertha (Bray) McMahan. Johnny grew up at Rose Hill and graduated from Kinta High School with the class of 1960. He continued his education of OSU (Okmulgee) with a degree in Lithography. Using the degree he began his working career with Banknote in Tulsa as a Lithographer. In 1981 he began a career at Fort Howard Paper in Muskogee and worked until his retirement to the farm. He began raising cattle and operated a poultry operation for many years. Johnny was a tireless worker and took pride in the appearance of his home and his land. He was married to Josephine Maria Devine on January 16, 1982 and began their life together until the passing of Josie on May 1st. When Johnny was not ranching he enjoyed reading the Bible. He enjoyed hunting trips to Colorado, fishing with his kids and spending time with his grandkids. He also loved raising and riding mules. He was a longtime member of the Mountain Fork Mule Association. He will be remembered as a man who loved to laugh and always told a good joke. He could drive a T-post by hand in the rockiest Rose Hill ground and weld together a corral in the hottest of Oklahoma summers. He always gave a handshake so firm that you would swear your bones broke. He was a man among men and will never be forgotten by those who knew, loved, and admired him.

Johnny is survived by two daughters, Rachel Lockwood and husband Ron of Rose Hill, Laura Hulseley and husband Jeff of Columbus, Montana; one son,

David McMahan; 8 grandchildren, Elisha, Tyler, Trey, Lydia, Ethan, Jolee, Dustin, Duane; 8 great grandchildren, Leah, Sayre, Devon, Ty, Tia, Dylan, Ivy, Alex; his Brother in law, Michael Devine; his nieces and nephews, Karen Pendergrass and Charla McMahan, Keith, Kirk, and Cody McMahan as well as numerous other nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Arthur and Gertha McMahan; his loving wife, Josie McMahan; 7 sisters, Ruby, Wilma, Gertrude, Minnie, Clara, Loeta, and Lonnie; two brothers, Charles and Bill McMahan; one niece, Kim McMahan.

Funeral services will be 2:00 P.M. Thursday, May 12 2022 at Rose Hill Church with Brother Denver Bowen and Reverend Jack Sloan officiating. Pallbearers will be Ethan Hulseley, Trey McMahan, Jeff Hulseley, Ron Lockwood, Keith McMahan and Jeff King. Honorary pallbearers include Chuck Roye, Howard Eaton, Leon Woodruff, Michael Devine, Denver Bowen, Kirk McMahan, Jeremy McMahan, Terry, Denny, and Larry Eaton, Randy Sloan, Tandy Sloan, Don Sloan, Leon Mathews, Boyd King, Glen Craft, Joe Sosa, Joe Sosa Jr., and Kevin Fenton. Burial will follow at Old Panther Cemetery under the direction of King & Shearwood Funeral Home of Stigler.

# Cemetery Details

**Old Panther Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Viewing

MAY 11. 3:00 PM - 8:30 PM (CT)

R.E. SHEARWOOD MEMORIAL CHAPEL  
808 EAST MAIN  
STIGLER, OK  
(918) 967-0044  
kingwood4@sbcglobal.net  
<http://KINGANDSHEARWOODFUNERALHOME.COM>

### Viewing

MAY 12. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

R.E. SHEARWOOD MEMORIAL CHAPEL  
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### Service

MAY 12. 2:00 PM.

Rose Hill Freewill Baptist Church



# Tribute Wall

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“ Johnny was a good person. He loved his family and was always proud of them. I remember he loved to be involved with them and their school activities. I know he’s happy to be reunited with Josie! God Bless them both! Special prayers for the family!



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**Linda Shaffer** - May 15, 2022 at 12:27 AM

LS

“ Linda Shaffer lit a candle in memory of Johnny Lee McMahan



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**Linda Shaffer** - May 15, 2022 at 12:16 AM

PH

“ One son

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**Phillip** - May 13, 2022 at 07:36 AM

JS

“ Joyce Steward lit a candle in memory of Johnny Lee McMahan



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**joyce steward** - May 12, 2022 at 06:55 AM

TG

“ My fondest memories of Johnny was that he would always go get a ladder for me when I would get stuck climbing up a tree with Rachel, him pulling his finger apart and scaring me doing this most times, (heck Johnny could give me a look and scare me to death) lol That he was always working whether it be at the paper plant or at home, ranching or home remodeling. He was a very hard working man. He always knew who a "Martin" was. lol Even though I didn't get down to see Johnny and Jo very often he always knew who I was when he did see me.

*Johnny will be greatly missed by many. Sending Rachel & Laura and all the family my love, prayers, and hugs*

*Tammie (Martin) Giudice*

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**tammie giudice** - May 11, 2022 at 05:59 PM

SD

“ Sharon (Ford) Davis lit a candle in memory of Johnny Lee McMahan



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**Sharon (Ford) Davis** - May 10, 2022 at 08:11 PM

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“ Where do I began, Johnny was such a good man. He was good friends with my parents, he always told me how pretty I was(ok), how I looked like my Mom. Josie didn't have long to wait to take his hand. They are together once again, no pain or suffering. Sending prayers to the entire family.

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**Sharon (Ford) Davis** - May 10, 2022 at 08:11 PM