



## John Gruver

October 28, 1948 - February 22, 2021

John Allyn Gruver of Corsicana, Texas passed from this life on February 22, 2021 at the age of 72. He was born on October 28, 1948 in Olwein, Iowa to Bert Gruver and Sena Tumilson Gruver. John was self employed as a manufacturer representative for a number of years. He married Stephenie Story on February 24, 1978 in Corsicana at her parents home. John had many passions in life from going to estate sales, collecting southwestern furnishings and Indian art, visiting the western states of Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, Quarter Horse Association of Navarro County and serving on the Navarro County Exposition Center Board. With that being said what he cherished more was being involved with his family. Watching his grandchildren compete in skeet shooting, golf tournaments, hunting, having a home that was open to family and friends. He loved his family and being with them any time he could.

John is survived by his wife of 43 years Stephenie Gruver. Son Brian Gruver and Kara. Grandchildren: Logan Gruver, Bradley Gruver, Mason Gruver, Alaina Gruver. Step grandchildren Hunter Autrey, Ty Autrey and Easton Autrey. Sisters Nancy Dingman and husband Perry, Debra Gruver and his brother Richard Gruver and wife Noreen. He is also survived by a number of nieces, nephews and friends.

Visitation with the family will be Monday, March 1, 2021 from 6-8pm at Griffin -

Roughton Funeral Home. A celebration of life will be Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 1:00pm at Griffin - Roughton Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Hamilton - Beeman Cemetery.

The family ask that memorials be made to the Navarro County Exposition Center Building Fund at 321 North 12Th Street Corsicana, Texas 75110

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# Previous Events

## Family Visitation

MAR 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana  
1530 N. 45th Street  
Corsicana, TX 75110  
(903) 874-4774  
info@griffin-roughton.com

## Celebration of Life

MAR 2. 1:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of John Gruver*



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**Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home** - March 01, 2021 at 04:47 PM



“ *John Gruver*

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October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Condolences to John's family. He always brought a positive presence when we got together for our sales meetings. He will be missed. Our prayers are with his family and friends.*

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**Scott Kleman** - March 02, 2021 at 03:12 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Gruver.*

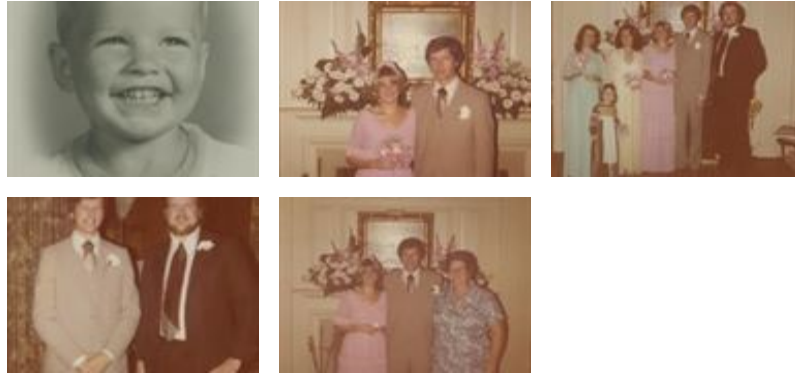


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March 02, 2021 at 09:31 AM



“ 74 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home** - March 01, 2021 at 04:09 PM



“ *Commercial Vehicle Group, Inc. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Gruver.*



**Commercial Vehicle Group, Inc.** - March 01, 2021 at 11:59 AM



“ *Condolences to Johns family.. I will keep you in my prayers. John and I worked together through the Godwin Group. Always a kind, funny, and helpful guy, He will sadly be missed. Fly high John!*

**Dana Sexton** - March 01, 2021 at 07:09 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of John Gruver.*



February 28, 2021 at 09:52 PM



“ *Have been friends of John Gruver since 1976 when I began Beach Distributing Company in Amarillo TX. Spoke with him recently around Christmas of 2020. He & Stephanie came to our wedding in Amarillo on July 9, 2016. God bless Stephanie and Brian. May their memories give them comfort. Meredith & Norman Beach*

**Meredith & Norman Beach** - February 28, 2021 at 03:57 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of John Gruver.*



February 28, 2021 at 02:08 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of John Gruver.*



February 28, 2021 at 01:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Gruver.*



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February 27, 2021 at 06:11 PM



“ *charles and Karen White Bozeman, Montana purchased the Pretty Please for the family of John Gruver.*



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**charles and Karen White Bozeman, Montana** - February 26, 2021 at 05:23 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John Gruver.*



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February 26, 2021 at 11:18 AM

DW

“ Our friendship with the family developed from many common interests. Whether it included horses, race cars, or sharing a meal and reliving an adventure or two it was always enjoyable. He made you feel comfortable with his easy going manner and delightful sense of humor. He will be missed by many and remembered by all. Stephanie and Brian you have our deepest condolences.

*The Walls family,  
Doris, Forrest and Trey*

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**Doris Walls** - February 25, 2021 at 11:07 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose* was purchased for the family of John Gruver.



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February 25, 2021 at 02:01 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of John Gruver.



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February 25, 2021 at 01:16 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of John Gruver.



February 25, 2021 at 12:39 PM



“ Tumilson Family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of John Gruver.



**Tumilson Family** - February 25, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ I had the privilege to meet John when I joined the Godwin Group a few years ago. He was always smiling and positive. Everyone that ever had the opportunity to meet John always had great things to say about him. He will truly be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of his friends and family.

**Kristie Stockman** - February 24, 2021 at 04:06 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Gruver.



February 24, 2021 at 12:54 PM

JP

“ Hard to imagine the loss of such a ...is vivacious the right word? Large personality, with a story for all, no matter the subject. Phil and I are so sorry for your loss, and hope for comfort in the days to come. And oh, the memories!

Jan & Phil Phillips - February 24, 2021 at 11:58 AM

CW

“ I knew John as we were both sales reps for Godwin mfg. Would visit at sales meetings etc. and email . He was a great guy and in my mind the epitome of what I consider a Texan. Very sad for his family. They are in my prayers.  
Charles White

Charles white - February 24, 2021 at 10:22 AM

DD

“ So sad to hear about John.  
we knew him for many years.  
John always had a smile and a story to share.  
Enjoyed seeing He and Stephanie any time  
always a pleasure.  
Love and comfort to Stephanie and entire Gruver family. He will be missed.



Danny and Angie Dyer - February 24, 2021 at 09:08 AM

SP

“ I am very sorry for your loss & John will always be in our heart.  
I only knew John from our meetings at Godwin in NC where he was always was full of life



steve pantis - February 24, 2021 at 08:48 AM

TM

“ John will be missed by his customers and peers throughout the country. He was always a pleasure to be with. I always tried to sit with John at sales meetings. RIP John and prayers to his family.  
Tim Myers/ Timco Sales Inc. Cleveland,oh

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**Tim Myers** - February 24, 2021 at 06:58 AM

DG

“ I think I was maybe 8 years old when I was sick with red measles and I had to stay in bed in a darkened room. I remember at least one day that John sneaked in. He sat across the room and using the flashlight began reading *The Wizard of Oz* to me.

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**Debra Gruver** - February 24, 2021 at 04:34 AM

WM

“ As friends to Vance Fellers, we had the opportunity to know John and Stephanie. We always enjoyed our visits. Martha and I extend our condolences and God's peace to Stephanie and entire family.  
Wes and Martha McCoy  
Pearland, Texas

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**Wes and Nartha McCoy** - February 23, 2021 at 09:33 PM