



## John Manning

November 11, 1941 - December 2, 2010

John R. Manning, a resident of Corsicana, after a long and courageous battle with metastatic lung cancer, went to be with our Lord early Thursday December 2, 2010. Manning, originally of Godley, Texas, served as an Agriculture Science teacher, first at Maypearl High School and then for over thirty years at Corsicana High School. A beloved father, friend, teacher, and mentor, Manning helped shape the lives of not only his own three children, but also many thousands of his former Ag students, many of which followed in his footsteps becoming educators themselves. Even more than a decade after his retirement and up until the year of his death, Manning still helped friends and former students with their children's livestock projects. Manning grew up on a Johnson County dairy farm where he learned the importance and value of hard work and dedication. He passed these attributes on to his students throughout the years. During his forty plus years in Corsicana he was a proud and active member of the Corsicana Optimist Club, First Baptist Church, and the "Commerce Street Social Club". He coached youth baseball, and for decades served as a committee member for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo calf scramble and Navarro County Go-Texan committees. Manning was well known throughout the state as a judge for livestock shows. He was also an avid golfer, gardener, and poker player. All that knew Manning would agree that he was a one-of-a-kind, and that he will be greatly missed. He is survived by the mother of his children, Suzanne Jobe Manning; children Dr. John Garrett Manning, DVM, Jason Robert Manning and wife Rachel, and

Jamie Lee Manning; sisters and brother-in-laws Sara and Dean Brown and Ann and Tommy Mackey; grandson John Michael Manning; and nieces and nephews. A memorial "Celebration of Life" service will be held on December 17, 2010 at the Fannie Mae Vernon Room located at the North end of the Navarro County Youth Exposition Center. The memorial will start at 12 o'clock PM. In lieu of flowers, the family requests you make a donation to help endow the John R. Manning Memorial Scholarship c/o Community National Bank-Corsicana 321 North 15th Street Corsicana, TX 75110. The scholarship, once endowed, will be given each year to an area high school senior that plans on studying and pursuing a career in Agriculture Science.

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Manning*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Gary and I were so sorry to hear of your loss. We have many many fond memories of our children growing up on 5th Ave. and all of the times that we spent together. Our prayers go out to all of you in this time for peace and strength.*

**Gary and Gail Roman** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Please accept our deepest sympathies. Mr. Manning was such a fine teacher, and I remember him from my days as a student at CHS. I didn't realize that he was from Godley - my husband and I go there quite often.*

**Marinelle Kesinger Szenasy** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *I will miss John. He was on a short list of people that I admire. My family will always be grateful for the time he spent with us.*

**Kip Whorton** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our thoughts are with the family of John R. Manning. We will sorely miss this one of a kind man. My first Ag teacher and lifelong amigo, Mr. Manning's legend will live on through the many stories we lived together. Johnny, Sonny, and Carly are surely holding court somewhere in eternal time. God bless all the family.*

**Rickey and Michele Hickson** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ *My prayers are with the Manning Family.*

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**Sebrina Stutts Andrews** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Mr. Manning will be greatly missed!*

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**Karla Sikes** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *Thanks for helping shape my life. You will be missed by many.*

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**steven m. ruiz** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ *Dear Suzanne, Johnny, Jason, and Jamie - We are so sorry for your loss. We loved John R. Manning so much, and he was such a great part of our lives. We used to love seeing him drive up at the golf course, and he would have three blond heads in the truck with him. We'll never forget the first time John R., Suzanne, and Johnny came to our house on Dobbin Circle. John R. was going to work with our dad as an ag teacher. We never knew such a great friendship would follow. Losing our dad in 2008 was one of the hardest things our family has been through. We understand your pain, and our prayer is that the two of them are doing a great deal of "catching up." I'm sure Daddy welcomed him with open arms as he crossed into eternity. Ya'll always will be treasured friends to us, and all of you will be covered in prayer during this difficult time. Love to all of you, Ann, Dean, & Joni*

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**Ann Jamison, Dean and Joni Hollingsworth** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ My heartfelt sympathies are with each of you at this time of tremendous loss. A man of honor and integrity. Know that you will be in my thoughts and prayers in the days and weeks ahead. May God grant you peace, strength and comfort.

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**S. Kraft** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Paul and Lauren Hable** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ To the Manning family: Words cannot express how deeply sorry I am for the loss of your father. He was a truly exceptional man not matched by many others. He taught me so much about raising pigs and I will never forget his pleas for me to raise chickens. Chickens were where the money was at and poultry science was the only degree to get from A&M. He was a true character. I am thankful that he is no longer suffering and is finally home. May God bring comfort to you all. Rest in peace Mr. Manning, we'll all see you soon.

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**Alison Wylie Williams** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ To the family my Prayers are with you and I understand your loss, but I am assured that John is in a place of Peace and no longer in any pain. I am also sure he is clipping a show heifer in Gods show barn right now. He was a GREAT man and helped mold me into the man I am today. Thanks Mr Manning you will be sorely missed.

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**James Speier Jr.** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ I have known Mr Manning over the years, from his judging of the Tarrant Co Jr Livestock Show to working with him at Degree Checks, and many other situations. He worked hard for the youth, and people often sought his opinion & advice before finalizing their plans. He will be missed by many.

Kirk C. Edney - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time.

Cindy Williams - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ John Manning

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HG

“ Such a great man. He sure touched a lot of people.

Hoot Gibson - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ John Manning has been a part of our lives for over 40 yrs. He taught Rick and probably gave him his first paddling, one that he remembers. He helped us with our childrens ag animals, Emily and John, and guided us into being in the top for chicken breeders and feeding. Many hours of laughs, and enjoyment with Mr. Manning, even after all these years. He was looking forward to helping our Grandson Skyler. He was a good man, and a very good person, you just had to know him. He will be greatly missed by our family. God bless you Johnny and we always loved you and were very grateful for our friendship with you.

Rita and Rick Carver - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ My deepest condolences to the family. It is incalculable to gauge the positive impact he had on so many young people. I know that part of the reason that I am a teacher today is due to my first ag teacher, Mr. Manning. For that I will be eternally grateful.

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**Clif Tramel** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ To the Manning family, So sorry to hear of the loss of Johnny. He was truly an exceptional man. He always told us to listen to him because he knew what was best. If it hadn't been for him, we would not have done so well with our animals. He took our son and daughter under his wing and taught them so much. Thanks for sharing your dad with so many people. There will never be another person like him. Johnny, thanks again for all that you did for our family. Rest in peace.

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**Ronnie and Mary Jane Wylie** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Mr Manning was a wonderful teacher if you needed any help on anything he would always be there for you know matter what it was he would be right there for you and Thank you mr manning for all you have done for me in my child hood and now god bless you and my prayers are with you all

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**robert raney** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BW

“Mister Manning”,

*Without a doubt, your departure will be felt by many close to you - yet your legacy, the many lives you have touched over the years, will live on.*

*Thanks for your insight, support, and leadership by example. Its been many years... yet you left your mark on me - one that has helped shape who I've become.*

*May you enjoy green pastures and pleasant conditions now and forever! Best wishes and warm regards to you and yours.*

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**Brett Watkins** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RB

“Will miss competing with you at the poker table, old friend. May all your future hole cards be aces.

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**Ronnie Barker** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RM

“Johnny will be missed by a lot of folks. My sympathies to the kids.

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**Ron Morgan** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ To the family of John Manning, my family has prayers for you in your loss. I was blessed to have him as my AG teacher from 1979-83. He taught me how to be a leader by guiding me to be the parliamentary procedure president for FFA my freshman year. We got second at regional but missed state by five points. As an active duty Army Soldier now, his mentoring and teaching has kept me from writing those unwanted letters to parents while keeping up the Tiger spirit. Thanks Mr. Manning, you really have helped me and my Soldiers.

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**SFC Adam G. Scott** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Mr. Manning made a huge impact on my life. He taught me to strive to do my best. He also taught me to have strength in times of sorrow. I remember when I had to sell my lamb, knowing that he was going to a meat packer. I was devastated. He reminded me that this was God's purpose for the animals. I went on to get a degree in Animal Science from Texas A&M. I'm not sure that would have been possible without his guidance through my highschool years. Johnny, Jason and Jamie, I am so sorry for your loss. His memory will live on. I know there are a million wonderful stories that we could all share about him. He is now in a better place with no more pain. He has left a huge impact to hundred of thousands of people.

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**Tammy Twomey Saiter** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Mr. Manning was my ag teacher in high school and he was very patient with me since I am not the "ag" type person and should not have been in that class. I know you will miss him dearly and may God bless you during this difficult time in your life.

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**Jane Farmer** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ *It's been nearly 6 months, you are greatly missed my friend. Life will never be the same without you.* ”

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**Billy Joe** - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM