



## Johnny Cooley

September 22, 1955 - January 30, 2022

Johnny Mitchell Cooley, 66, passed away on January 30, 2022 after some serious health issues this past year. He was born in Abilene, Texas, on September 22, 1955, to Lloyd David Cooley and Patricia LaNell Cooley, his mother, who preceded him in death. Mitch was her first born son, and he made sure everyone knew it, especially his sisters. After graduating from Robert Lee High School, Mitch worked in the oil field until he went to work in Brownwood, Texas, for Texas Power & Light as a janitor while attending school at Howard Payne University. During his 40 plus years, Mitch worked his way through the ranks as a lineman, crew foreman, local rep., M & C Supervisor, and retired as the Western Region Safety Representative for Oncor Electric Delivery. Being a safety rep. was a dream come true for him, and he not only thoroughly enjoyed that part of his career but took great pride in it.

Mitch was a son, father, husband, brother, and a friend to many. He loved nothing more in this life than his family and being outdoors. As hard as he worked, he always found time to coach a little league game or take his boys fishing. His favorite place was in a boat with his two sons catching fish. Anyone who knew him knew he could tell a fish story, and the fish might occasionally grow in size and ferocity.

Mitch is survived by two sons, Travis Cooley of Valdosta, Georgia and Chad Cooley and wife Jennifer; grandsons Hayden and Morgan of New Braunfels,

Texas; Father Lloyd David Cooley; sisters Donna Finkbeiner and husband Terry, Brenda Hancock and husband Kerry, and Linda Dunbar and husband Bill.

He was loved dearly by his family, friends and respected by his colleagues, and will be sorely missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him. Take consolation in that he is no longer in pain but with the Lord...never forgotten and loved without end.

A memorial service will be held 12:00 pm Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Fairfield.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB 9. 12:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Fairfield  
450 East Main Street  
Fairfield, TX 75840  
(903) 389-9217  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Johnny Cooley

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ I enjoyed going to school with Mitch. He always had a smile on his face and was always so kind. My prayers go out to his family.

**Terri Kinsey Blair** - February 09, 2022 at 12:26 PM



“ Mitch truly cared about others, and helped anyone who needed guidance. He made a difference to so many people, and will be missed by so many... he was one of a kind and cannot be replaced.

**mark bailey** - February 09, 2022 at 11:25 AM



“ Thank you for the opportunity to care for your loved one. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

**Community Healthcare of Texas** - February 09, 2022 at 09:33 AM



“ Mike and Linny Carter purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Johnny Cooley.



**Mike and Linny Carter** - February 08, 2022 at 10:00 AM

RD

“ Mitch will be missed. He was my first crew foreman with TP&L. He started the process of teaching linework, some on life and a little on fishing. You knew he loved his boys, as he talked about them way back then just like the last time we had a visit.

Robert Durham - February 07, 2022 at 04:01 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Johnny Cooley.



February 06, 2022 at 02:23 PM

CS

“ Mitch will be missed. I hope Travis and Chad know that he was proud to be their father. I still owe you another snapper trip.  
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Clay Schoolfield - February 05, 2022 at 08:40 PM

CM

“ Fishing with Mitch was always fun. We had a blast whether slabbing or trolling with the outriggers. We fished as often as we could and always caught fish. Mitch always enjoyed doing the filleting of the fish as when he was a kid he had the job of cleaning fish for customers at his parents bait shop. I was always thankful that he had that job as I was able to sit back and watch him work. We enjoyed our home garden rivalry as to who grew the biggest strawberries and tomatoes- Mitch always won on the strawberries.

*A wonderful neighbor and a great friend, he will be missed.  
Cross Medders*

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**Cross Medders** - February 04, 2022 at 11:44 AM

PJ

“ To Mitch’s boys guys I had a lot of Kincades lunches with your dad we discussed work, family, fishing among others things but one thing he talked about you. He was was proud an I am honored to have been his friend. My God watch over him until we see him again.

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**Philip Johnson** - February 04, 2022 at 09:45 AM