



John Gober

February 20, 1930 - July 31, 2010

John Lewis "Big John" Gober, 80, of Waldron, Arkansas passed from this life Saturday, July 31, 2010 in a Waldron, Arkansas hospital. John was born in Redfield, Arkansas on February 20, 1930 to the late Rev. Gideon Jackson Gober and Rosa (Bateman) Gober. He was honorably discharged from the U. S. Navy on October 14, 1954 and was awarded the following service ribbons, National Defense, China, Good Conduct, United Nations and Korean Service. He was a member of the American Legion, VFW, NRA, and Farm Bureau. He was a retired sheet rock hanger and farm-ranch owner. John is survived by one daughter Becky Ann Gober of Waldron, Arkansas; two step-daughters, Brenda Kay Wilson Tipton and husband Sam of Little Rock, Arkansas, Donna Lynn Wilson French and husband Velton of Benbrook, Texas; four grandchildren, Troupe Benton Bryant of Conway, Arkansas, John David Simpson of Waldron, Arkansas, Robert Dane Reed and wife Holly of Whitehall, Arkansas, and Jonathan Keith Gober and partner Mark Norwine of Little Rock, Arkansas. He is preceded in death by his wife, Betty Jo Gober; one daughter, Leenita Sue Gober Cothran; two sisters, Madgeline Gober Harper and Anna Sue Gober Tornow. John's funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, August 7, 2010 at the Heritage Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Mike Jordon, officiating. A second funeral service will be at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, at the Redfield Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. Micah Deaton, officiating. Interment will follow in the Redfield Cemetery, with military honors in Redfield, Arkansas. Arrangement are being entrusted to the

Heritage Memorial Funeral Home & Crematory in Waldron, Arkansas. His pallbearers in Waldron will be Thomas Boggus, Ted Johnston, Joe Wigdon, Mike Wright, Brian Parsons, and Mack Lee. Pallbearers in Redfield will be Robert Crossett, Wade Hall, Brian Parsons, Mike Wright, Johnny (Bubba) Polk and Eddie Sandifer. Honorary pallbearer will be Keith Wright. John's visitation will be 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Friday, August 6, 2010 at the funeral home.

Tribute Wall

KA

“ I am sorry to hear of John's passing. I am sure I have heard his name mentioned in the past when I was visiting there. My grandfather was Gordon Gober and father was Basil Gober. My prayers are with your family, Karen Gober / Ames

Karen - December 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ It has been my pleasure to know Mr. Gober for the past 6+ years. He welcomed me into the family with a warm hand shake and a smile. He made me feel as if he'd known me a lifetime. I will always remember our "Recliner Talks" where we'd sit in the living room in the recliners and watched John Wayne movies and he'd tell stories of his life and his family. He was so proud of his family. He was especially proud of his grandson Keith and he proudly talked about Keith's accomplishments as though they were his too. Mr. Gober welcomed my children, Pierce and Camden with open arms and a fishing pole and tackle box for each of them. They both talk about the times "Grandpa Gober" took them fishing and his "Shop Projects". Both of the boys have Cigar Boxes with custom made dividers of cedar that Mr. Gober gave them on one of the many tours of his wood shop. They treasure them dearly and were always in awe at the things he could build. John was an awesome Man, I have GREAT respect for him and I am glad we had the opportunity to get to know him. He made an impression on my life and my children. We will always remember Mr. Gober and know he is still in our hearts and watching over his family and friends from his new Wood Shop in Heaven. He's probably building carts and organizing the tools right now. "We love you Mr. Gober and will miss you".

Mark Norwine - August 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ It has been a great privelege to have known John. He & Mrs Betty are near & dear to my heart. They were there for me when I needed them. John & I worked together, Hunted together, laughed together & he showed me many of lifes lessons through his eyes & his actions. He made me a better man by watching & learning from him. I will always have a special place in my heart for the Gober Family. Thanks for being there fort me Big John & Betty. Becky, You were so kind to me & my family & you have a special place in my heart as well. Thanks for always lending an ear & a shoulder to lean on.

Joe & Angee Wigton & Family - August 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Becky and all the Family Members - My condolences to you during this time. I did not know John like I knew and loved Betty. She was always a special person to me. I wish I could be at the services tomorrow. God bless you. Joy Wilson Dent

Joy Wilson Dent - August 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Dear Becky, Enjoyed my talked with you the other night and am so sorry for the loss of your dad. We know he's at peace and no more suffering. Praying that the Lord will be with you and comfort you. I'll call you from time to time and feel free to call me anytime.
Love, Barbara

Barbara Saljian - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Becky, please know my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God give you comfort.

Theresa Brewer - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ It's an honor, that for the past 25yr's I've had the privelege of knowing & having John be a special part of my life, as a work partner, true friend & confidant and most important, like a dad to me. He was a good honest man that taught me alot of life's lesson's which I'll proudly carry on til my time comes! We've been through and have done so much together and I'll forever cherish the memorie's he's left with me. He will always be loved, greatly missed and remembered!

Keith and Melissa Wright - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family !

Teresa Houston Culpepper - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Sorry to hear of the death of John Gober.
The family is in our prayers.

Patsy Johnson
Cathy Ackerman

Redfield Library - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. With my deepest sympathy,

Tammy

Tammy Williams - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ I'm very sorry for your loss. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.

Becky (Burris) Harrington - August 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ John was just Big John you loved him the way he was he didn't put on airs for anyone. He will be missed.

With love,
Marcy

Marcy Pauline - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ He was more than a Stepfather to Brenda and I. We were able to enjoy him as our Daddy for 47 years til Mother passed. He always said we were his children in his heart. No matter what we loved him and he loved us and we are grieving also. He is now in heavin with Mother and is happy again. I loved you Daddy!

Donna French - August 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Elsie & I will be praying for the family for comfort and peace, Buddy (John) is already at peace, for we know that he is in the presence of the Lord...Buddy, this is not goodbye, because I know we will meet again in heaven...see you later cousin...
To Becky...we are very sorry that we will be unable to attend the funeral, but you are in our prayers...

Jim & Elsie Sacco - August 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

M(

“ *Becky, I am truly sorry to hear the loss of your dad. I am the oldest of the Sacco girls & brother. You may not remember me. I live in Florida. Please email me.
I pray God will comfort you.
God Bless You
Mary*

Mary E Lippo (Sacco) - August 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HE

“ *John will truly be missed and I love the picture on the website. It shows him as most of us knew him, full of joy & laughter. Becky, if you need anything, please let me know.*

Heather Epperson - August 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *Keith, I am so sorry to hear of the death of your grandfather. My prayers are with you at this sad time.*

Keith Holleman - August 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *I was sorry to hear of John's passing.
Ann Bingham*

Ann Bingham - August 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ *Becky we are so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing.... Your Family has been a part of our lives for many years and we have so many great memories to remember your Mom and Dad by and to share with you... You and Keith and all your family will be in our thoughts and prayers....
God Bless and Comfort each of you during this sad time.....*

Your Friends: Bill and Carolyn Needham and Caleb Smith.

Bill & Carolyn Needham - August 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ *John will be missed by many people. Becky, you and your family will be in my prayers.*

Thurston - August 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *John will be missed, our thoughts and prayer are with you at this time.*

Jim & Kimberly Moore - July 31, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *Becky so sorry to hear of your loss. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Love you Girl!!!!
Doris*

Doris Graves - July 31, 2010 at 12:00 AM