



Let Us Pause to Honor the Memory of
Mr. John William "Johnny" Hopper



Mr. John William "Johnny" Hopper, age 72, of Lexington, Indiana entered this life on February 26, 1947 in Madison, Indiana. He was the loving son of the late Carl William and Marilyn Iris Turner Hopper. He resided most of his life in Jefferson County and was a 1965 graduate of Southwestern High School. He also attended Widener University in Chester, Pennsylvania. John was inducted into the United States Navy in 1965 and rose to the rate of Machinist Mate Two. He served aboard the USS Sitkin during the Vietnam Era and was honorably discharged in 1971. He was the loving husband of Jessie Lee

Miller and this happy union of 40 years was blessed with three daughters, Desiree, Jody and Jill. He worked early in life as a draftsman for Sieco Engineering and then in 1974 began a career with Duke Energy. John worked as a Maintenance Mechanic A until retiring in 2007. Brother Johnny was a faithful member of the New Hope Baptist Church. He was responsible in helping to build the church and had served as a trustee. He loved woodworking and enjoyed making display projects for the Science Department at Hanover College. Johnny loved nature, woodworking, hunting, fishing, trapping, blue grass music, IU Basketball and being with his beloved family. He fought a courageous battle with Alzheimer's and passed peacefully with his family at his side on Wednesday, March 6, 2019, at 6:45 a.m. at the Thornton Terrace Health Campus in Hanover, Indiana.

A LOVING FAMILY

John will be missed by his loving wife of 40 years, Jessie Lee Miller Hopper of Lexington, Indiana; his beloved daughters, Desiree Burton and her husband, Darrell of Lexington, Indiana, Jody Gray and her husband, Barry of Lexington, Indiana, Jill Young and her husband, Trevor of Sellersburg, Indiana; his loving sister, Barbara Allman of Lexington, Indiana; his cousin who was raised like his brother, Gary Hopper of Madison, Indiana; his loving grandchildren, Heather Long (Chris), Zach Burton, Kayla Burton, Harley Gray, Grace Todd, Landon Young and Ava Young; his adoring great grandchildren, Toryonia Smith and Avery Long; his brothers in law and sisters in laws, Janet Lauter and her husband Lloyd of New Washington, Indiana, Jean Davidson of Scottsburg, Indiana, Richard Miller of Jasper, Indiana, Jewell Shanklin and her husband, Bob of Scottsburg, Indiana, Sheila Gross of Scottsburg, Indiana, Jeff Miller and her husband, Pam of Scottsburg, Indiana; his niece, Shannon Wright and Chris; his nephew, James Allman and his wife, Becky; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, Carl William Hopper, died February 4, 2018, his mother, Marilyn Iris Turner Hopper, died June 3, 1998, and his grandparents, William Hopper, Maudie Hopper Moreland, Alvin and Virginia Turner.

FUNERAL CEREMONY

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 9, 2019, at 2:00 p.m., by Pastor Josh McDonald at the New Hope Baptist Church, 5104 South State Road 62 near Chelsea, Indiana. Interment will follow in the New Bethel Cemetery near Chelsea, Indiana.

VISITATION

Friends may visit Friday from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre - **Hanover Chapel, 278 East Main Street in Hanover, Indiana** and Saturday from 12:00 Noon until the time of service at the New Hope Baptist Church, 5104 South State Road 62 near Chelsea, Indiana.

MILITARY HONORS

A final salute will be conducted on Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at the New Hope Baptist Church in Chelsea with full military honors to follow at the graveside conducted by Major Samuel Woodfill Post No. 9 of the American Legion and the United States Naval Ceremonial Unit.

MEMORIAL EXPRESSIONS

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Research. Cards are available at the funeral homes. Online condolences, www.morgan-nay.com



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