



## John Michael Cooper

March 31, 1948 - March 30, 2018

John Michael Cooper, 69, was born March 31, 1948 in Fayetteville, Tennessee and died March 30, 2018 at his residence in Taft, Tennessee.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Eugene A. Cooper and Anibel Rogers Cooper.

Survived by his brother, Jim W. Cooper, and sister-in-law Carol Bailey Cooper, both of Taft, Tennessee, his nieces, Mary A. Cooper of Hazel Green, Alabama and Kimesha Cooper Thompson and her husband, Eric Thompson, of Taft, Tennessee, his great nieces, Ashton C. Moran and Grace A. Hughes, and his great nephew, Cooper R. Moran.

As a teenager, Mike became a member of Unity Church of Christ. He was a 1966 graduate of Ardmore High School and attended Middle Tennessee State University for three and half year. He exited college to take a teaching position at Flintville High School to coach basketball and to teach.

After his teaching and coaching experience, he moved on to a variety of occupations. In April of 1982, he began his long career with the Lincoln County Water Department. He was a devoted employee working until his death. Through the years with the Lincoln County Board of Public Utilities, he worked and trained to the highest Grade Water Treatment Plant Operator.

His interest included playing guitar, painting, photographing nature and wildlife, developing his own pictures, hunting, fishing, training bird dogs, raising quail to train his bird dogs, target shooting, making his own knives, and watching NASCAR. He enjoyed feeding the birds, nurturing rose bushes, back porch gardening, taking in stray cats and reminiscing with family and friends.

A visitation will be from 1:00-3:00 pm, Tuesday, April 03, 2018 at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home.

A funeral service will be at 3:00 pm, Tuesday, April 03, 2018 at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home. Burial will be at Prosperity Cemetery in Fayetteville, TN. Mike Davis will be officiating. Pallbearers are Royce Tucker, Bryan Towery, Troy Logan, Joey Clark, Rusty Sisk, and Joe Clark.

# Tribute Wall

LB

“ *In fond memories of Mike Cooper*

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**Laura Baldwin** - April 06, 2018 at 09:03 AM

MI

“ *Please accept my condolences for your loss. And while it may have been hard saying goodbye to John, be comforted in knowing that in God's due time, he will forever eliminate all suffering on earth including death, as expressed in this video:*

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**Mitchell** - April 05, 2018 at 04:51 PM

RA

“ *I am sorry for your loss. May the words of our heavenly Father give you and your family comfort and strength to endure this most difficult time. He promises to bring our loved ones back in a perfect world where there will be no more suffering or death (Acts 24:15 & Revelation 21:4).*  
*Ray*

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**Ray** - April 05, 2018 at 12:51 PM

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“ *Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.*

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**Tribute Store** - April 02, 2018 at 08:13 PM

JO

“ May I offer my sympathies on your loss. I have found much comfort in the words of John 11:23-25; Jesus said to Martha: “Your brother will rise.” Martha said to him: “I know he will rise in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her: “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who exercises faith in me, even though he dies, will come to life.” Death may claim our loved ones for a time but we will receive them back.

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**Joyce** - April 02, 2018 at 05:50 PM