



John Chavez Flores

June 24, 1938 - March 25, 2024

John Chavez Flores, 85, was born in Oxnard, California on June 24, 1938, the son of Dolores and Julia Flores of Aguascalientes, Mexico, and passed away at his home on Monday, March 25, 2024, surrounded by his loving family.

John led a life filled with adventure and passion. He proudly served his country by spending 4 years in the United States Air Force and 2 years in the United States Marine Corps Reserve. John married Gale Hankins and shared over 50 years of love and happiness with her. Together, they had 4 children and created countless cherished memories. John's love for dancing and travel was evident in his life with Gale. He was a dedicated member of the King and His Court men's fast pitch softball team, as well as the Camarillo Kings, being eventually inducted into the California State Fast Pitch Softball Hall of Fame. Before retiring, John was a Ventura County Deputy Sheriff and later an Insurance Broker. In 2008, John and Gale were honored as CASA 'Volunteers' of the year, making them the only married 'couple' to receive such an award geared towards individuals, for their dedication to the CASA program in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. He had a soft spot for good music and hot Mexican salsa. John enjoyed coaching little league baseball in his free time. John Chavez Flores will be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather and a committed member of his community. He leaves behind a legacy of kindness, dedication, loyalty and respect. He will be missed dearly.

John is preceded by his parents and his wife, Gale Yvonne Flores.

Those left to cherish John's memory are sons, John Scott Flores of Inola, OK

and Preston James Flores of Inola; daughters, Claudine Marie Flores of Tahlequah, OK and Vicki Velasquez Leandro of Malden, MA; sister, Sally Riddle; grandsons, Kyle Flores, Johnny Flores, Jr., Brad Cutty and Brandon Cutty; granddaughters, Mariah Flores, Alexis Flores, Julia Flores, Monique Shipman; great-grandson, Knox Flores; great-granddaughter, Amia Blanco Flores and nephew, Alex Delgadillo of CA.

A celebration of John's life will be held 1:30PM Friday, April 19, 2024, at Fort Gibson National Cemetery, Fort Gibson, OK.

The family of John Chavez Flores has entrusted his care, cremation, and service to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson, OK. (918) 478-2555. Online condolences may be left for the Flores family at clifforddgarretfamilyfh.com

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **19**. 1:30 PM (CT)

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(918) 478-2334

Tribute Wall

JB

“ JEANNIE BENGE lit a candle in memory of John Flores



JEANNIE BENGE - April 19, 2024 at 09:56 AM

CB

“ Chris Burton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Chavez Flores.

Chris Burton - April 12, 2024 at 09:44 AM

CB

“ Chris Burton purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of John Chavez Flores.



Chris Burton - April 12, 2024 at 09:44 AM

MR

“ Michelle Rogers purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of John Chavez Flores.



Michelle Rogers - April 11, 2024 at 09:10 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of John Chavez Flores.*



April 02, 2024 at 07:03 PM



“ *Jeana Roberts and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Chavez Flores.*

Jeana Roberts and family - April 02, 2024 at 07:03 PM



“ *Rest in peace Uncle - I will miss you*



Frank Holman - March 30, 2024 at 02:23 PM



“ *I love and miss you, Grandpa.*

Alexis Flores - March 29, 2024 at 03:00 PM



“ *Peace be with you Mr Flores as you get your wings. R.I.P. And peace, love and prayers to the family.*

Tammy T. - March 25, 2024 at 11:47 PM

DC

“ I am so very sorry. I know he must have been a great man, because I see how kind Johnny is and I know he learned that from his Dad. I am praying for all of you. May he rest in peace.

Debi Estridge (NC Chick) - March 25, 2024 at 09:01 PM

VC

“ It was an honor to have met and talked with you. Your smile definitely brightened the room. I loved hearing about you playing on the men’s softball league. You will be greatly missed, but you left a legacy that will last forever. You gained your angel wings and smiling down on all your loved ones.

Vicky Comer - March 25, 2024 at 07:57 PM

KL

“ Johnny: You and your family are in our prayers. 🙏 Tanya and I pray for your comfort and peace @ this difficult time. May God be with you! Love Tanya and Karen (Mom)

KAREN MALIK & TANYA LABAUVE - March 25, 2024 at 07:55 PM

TR

“ Praying for the family. John was such a pleasure to take care of. He is a true sweetheart. You will definitely have to save a dance for me when we meet again. Hugs from 1 of you MANY girlfriends.

Trisha - March 25, 2024 at 07:48 PM

PM

Sorry for your losses. It is difficult times but the one thing to remember is your parents lived you all unconditionally. Sending prayers And Thoughts to all Phyllis Marshall

Phyllis Marshall - April 12, 2024 at 03:37 PM

JF

“Dad I truly will love and miss you so much and I hope to be 10% of the man you have been in my life.

I will make you proud and carry your name with pride and honor!!!



Johnny Flores - March 25, 2024 at 07:29 PM