



## John Michael Oglesby

May 19, 1953 - August 13, 2016

John Michael Oglesby, a.k.a. Catfish, was born in Sonora Texas, May 19 1953 and went home to be with Jesus on August 13, 2016.

John lived in Eldorado Texas as a young child. The family later moved to San Angelo where he grew up and graduated from Central High School in 1971.

John worked many years fund raising and supporting The Texas Boys Ranch in Lubbock Texas. He was instrumental in many Christmas parties where each child received numerous gifts with funds he himself raised. He also helped raised enough funds to provide TV's and washer and dryers for the individual cottages. Easter Egg hunts were also a big hit of all the kiddos there. They loved seeing Big John, but not nearly as much as he enjoyed them. He loved each and everyone of them. John was also active in the Lubbock Ambucs before he moved to Odessa in 2014 where he went to work for Republic Services Energy Divison.

John loved fishing with his brother Bill and nephew JT, and many of his close friends. His love for hunting was very apparent as he wanted to spend all of his free time at the "ranch". He loved being able to do it with family that shared the same passion.

John is survived by his wife; Elizabeth Oglesby of Odessa TX, his parents Jeri

and Richard Boyles of Cloudcroft NM, 3 brothers; Bill Oglesby of Midland TX, Tom and wife Peggy Oglesby of Odessa TX; Richard and wife Lawanda Oglesby of Aledo, TX and sister Amy and husband Dr. Chris Knitig of Kingston, GA. Three children; Josh Dollahan and wife Casey of Lynchburg, VA; Sara Oglesby of Ozark MO, and Thomas Oglesby of Oklahoma City, OK. Also, 1 grandson, Michael William Hoth of Ozark, MO. He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

John was preceded in death by his father; William Henry Oglesby in 1963.

Family requests donations be sent to the Texas Boys Ranch; P.O. Box 5665, Lubbock TX 79408 in lieu of flowers.

Services will be at American Heritage Funeral Home; 4100 N FM 1788, Midland TX 432-563-9767

Family is receiving visitors at 3209 East 31st Street in Odessa, all day today, August 17th, Wednesday.

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG **18**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

American Heritage Funeral Home

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Midland, TX 79707

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# Tribute Wall

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“ 1 file added to the album Memorial Slideshow



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**David Cole** - August 31, 2016 at 01:44 PM

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“ Our deepest love and prayers are for every family member. John was a joy to know and be around. He was compassionate and stood on 'ready' to help with any issue you might have that he knew about. He loved his children with a passion many did not comprehend. His love for the Lord and the boys at Texas Boys Ranch exemplified his good-heartedness and obedience to God's laws. He will be remembered as long as memories last. Julie Helms and Cheryl Fletcher

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**Julia Helms** - August 21, 2016 at 12:53 AM

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“ Nicki Oglesby Clark lit a candle in memory of John Michael Oglesby



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**Nicki Oglesby Clark** - August 18, 2016 at 10:17 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of John Michael Oglesby.



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August 17, 2016 at 02:01 PM



“ *His family at Republic Services purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray* for the family of John Michael Oglesby.



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**His family at Republic Services** - August 15, 2016 at 04:29 PM