



## J.O. Brooks

July 13, 1932 - February 22, 2019

J.O. Brooks, 86, of Bryant, Arkansas passed away Saturday, February 22, 2019. He was born July 13, 1932 in Alto, Texas to the late James & Audie Houston Brooks. He was a retired body shop owner, member of Geyer Springs Baptist Church and a United States Airforce veteran.

He was predeceased by his parents and daughter, Nancy Brooks.

Survivors include his daughter, Mary Jane Brooks; brother, Gene Brooks; step children; Janet (Shaw) Ligon, Linda(Keith Newgent; ex-wife, Sybil Brooks; grandchildren; Blake (Joy) Ligon, Drew (Haley) Ligon; Jill (Jay) Salter, Natalie Newgent; great grandchildren; Sawyer Ligon, Grey Ligon and Lee Salter.

J.O. was an avid fisherman, he was second in the nation bass fisherman in his earlier years.

He would share his catch with the Watershed to help those in need.

Service will be held Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday at Geyer Springs Baptist Church with grandson Blake Ligon officiating.

Visitation will be 12 noon until service time at the church on Tuesday.

Burial will be at Crestview Cemetery

Pallbearers are A.M. Slack, Bob Brown, Jerry McGuire, Mark Hedrick, Keith Newgent and Drew Ligon.

Honorary Pallbearers are Bryson Manor and Glen Turner.

Memorials may be made to Geyer Springs Baptist Church or The Mayfly Project: 3541 Harrison Road, Benton, Arkansas 72019

# Tribute Wall

RK

“ *Loved working with J.O. for many years. Great boss and even better fisherman.*

Richard Knott - October 04, 2020 at 01:47 PM

GB

“ *I remember working with Mr. Brooks at Happy's Body Shop. He was one of the good guys. My prayers are with the friends and family.*

Glenna Butler - March 07, 2019 at 10:42 AM

MC

“ *I sure hate to hear this as most of you know J O and I were very close such a great boss and friend may his memory be eternal 🙏  
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mike cora - February 26, 2019 at 08:02 PM

JG

“ *Many great days of hunting, fishing, and laughing with JO and a great friend that will be missed by many.*

*God Bless  
Jim Glover*

Jim Glover - February 26, 2019 at 10:16 AM

NN

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**Natalie Newgent** - February 26, 2019 at 08:00 AM

GS

*Mr. Brooks gave me a job when I really needed one at "Happy's Body Shop" on Central Ave. (back in the mid 70's.) I was just 19 years old then,*

*Mr. Brooks was a kind and gracious man. He loved to fish and gave me plenty work to do of 'painting boats' which belonged to his fishing buddies!*

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**Gary Storey** - February 26, 2019 at 09:49 AM

AG

“ Spent many hours with him in a boat. J.O. was a good friend and he will be missed

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**Allan Goodwin** - February 25, 2019 at 09:39 PM

TR

“ J.O was such a great friend to my dad , Johnny Lewis and will truly be missed by him💙

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**tracy** - February 25, 2019 at 08:35 PM

NN

“ Prayers and celebration of life for wonderful man who loved Jesus, my nana, and my family with his whole heart. You will be truly missed. All my love.

*Natalie Newgent*

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**Natalie Newgent** - February 25, 2019 at 11:12 AM

MR

“ One of the best Bosses I ever had the pleasure to work for.

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**Mike Rainwater** - February 24, 2019 at 04:28 PM