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John Lee Hunter, Sr was born on August 30th 1959 in Little Rock Arkansas. He was the youngest of eight siblings. John's mother, whose name was Ada Ardella Williams, died shortly after his birth, so John was mothered by his loving Aunt Mrs. Pauline Williams Field. In 1971 John and his family moved to Fresno, California. There he attended school and got his high school diploma at Theodore Roosevelt High school in 1978. He earned a scholarship for the most improved High School senior. In 1982, he enrolled in California State University, Fresno and made the Dean's honor roll for 4 semesters. He was voted the most inspirational varsity track team member. He dominated the two-mile watermelon run and took first place in all those events. He also earned a degree of Bachelor of Science in Business Administration & Accounting. After earning his accounting degree, he took a job working for the state in San Luis Obispo. In June of 1987 while in San Luis Obispo, he met his soulmate Joyce who was living in Florida at the time. That December John visited Joyce in Florida and they tied the knot. At that point John moved from California to Florida to enjoy the warmth and sun-shiny weather, and to join his



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new wife to start their new journey of 33 years together.

Soon after moving, John landed a job with the State of Florida as a Regional Program Specialist of Child Nutrition, where he worked diligently for many years and was later named Senior

Professional Accountant by the Office of the Inspector General.

After his long day at work, he would turn his full attention to his family. You see, John was

quite the family man. Cleaning the house, washing the dishes, doing laundry, giving the kids a

bath were tasks that were never out of his league.

His wife Joyce always felt she had a shoulder to lean on. John never forgot his extended

family. Every two years when there was a family reunion, John would drive or fly his family to

various States, as he really looked forward to reuniting with his mother, brothers and sisters,

nieces, nephews & numerous cousins.

From all accounts, John was his mother's right-hand person. He was always there to help her

out with any difficult or demanding situations..

John was undeniably a unique person. Those who knew him described him as a quiet man of

few words. He was strong in his beliefs, law abiding, a person with integrity, who treated

everyone as he liked to be treated. He was a God-fearing man, who knew the Lord as his

redeemer and King. He and his family attended Countryside Christian Center and he was a

member for 31 years. He never faltered in his endeavor to be in the house of the Lord

whenever the doors were open on Sunday mornings.



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John is survived by his loving wife Joyce, son John Jr., daughters Lorna and Joylene.

Three

grandchildren, Joe^la, Jahzaiah, and Jahkari, sisters MaFe Aus⁵n Teal (Memphis, Tennessee),

Emma Aus⁵n Morman & Alonzo (Roosville, Tennessee), brothers Eugene Hunter & Anna, and

Tommie Lee Aus⁵n (West Memphis) many nieces, nephews, and cousins. A Repast will follow Saturday September 25th after graveside at The Jerk Center, 405 S.

Pinellas Avenue, Tarpon Springs, Fl., 34689. The phone number is (727) 940-5343.



Events

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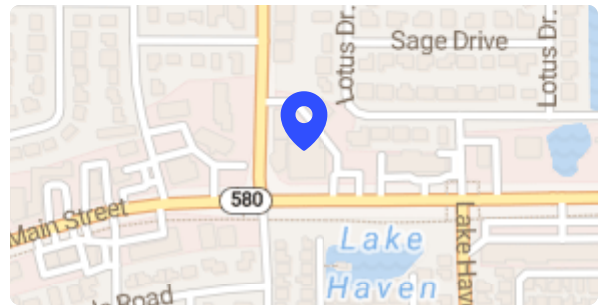
Visitation and Gathering

 **Friday**, September 24, 2021

 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET


 **Moss Feaster Funeral Home and Cremation Services - Dunedin**


1320 Main Street, Dunedin FL 34698



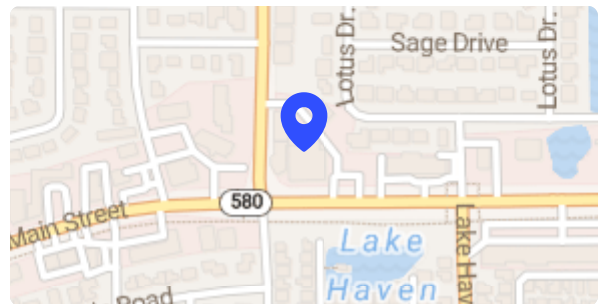
Funeral Service

 **Saturday**, September 25, 2021

 11:00 AM ET


 **Moss Feaster Funeral Home and Cremation Services - Dunedin**

1320 Main Street, Dunedin FL 34698



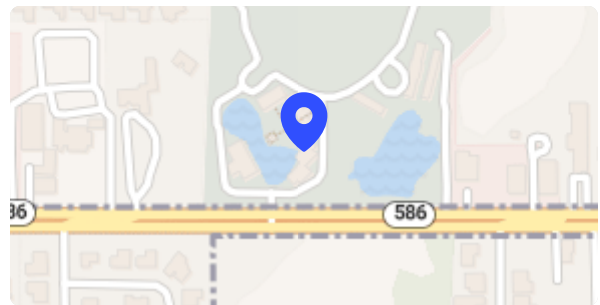
Graveside

 **Saturday**, September 25, 2021

 12:30 PM ET

 **Curlew Hills Memory Gardens**

1750 Curlew Road, Palm Harbor FL 34683





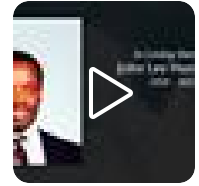
Tribute Wall

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Moss Feaster Funeral Home & Cremation Services shared a **Video**.



September 28 at 5:23 AM



Lorene posted:

I'm truly saddened to hear John passed away. He was such a nice person. When he would come do our audit for the CCFP we would talk about family, vacations, and retirement. I know he was looking forward to retirement. He truly loved his family and you can tell by the way he talked about them. He loved those grandkids. He was so friendly and when it came to audits, he was extremely nice and if there was an issue you would it explain it calmly, he never raised his voice. He never had anything bad to say and did a great job. I will miss him. R.I.P. My Friend.Lorene R.

October 4 at 3:20 AM



Joyce Hunter October 26 at 2:06 PM

Dear Lorene, your kind thoughts about John are helping to bring peace and comfort to us as we struggle to come to term with our loss. Thank you so much.



Anonymous sent a Celestial Love to the Hunter family.



September 25 at 10:41 AM



Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Hunter family.



September 25 at 1:36 AM



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Grace Forsythe posted:

I'm deeply saddened to learn of the passing of my former co-worker Mr. John Hunter. I feel truly blessed and honored to have known this fine gentleman. I first met John Hunter close to three decades ago when I joined the staff of the Child and Adult Care Food Programs which were administered by the Department of Education. John Hunter worked as a Financial Auditor. As the years went by I got to know John Hunter well. He was a pleasant, peaceful and humble man. John Hunter displayed genuine caring and empathy for his friends. He lived his life guided by deep Christian principles. Mr. Hunter loved his job and treated it as his life's calling. John Hunter went above and beyond to serve every client to which he was assigned. He was hardworking and would always volunteer to assist his fellow co-workers. John Hunter always displayed great professionalism and integrity in the execution of all his duties. Mr. Hunter treated everyone he came in contact with fairly, decently and with respect. His character was beyond reproach. John Hunter loved and cherished his dear wife and family. He always spoke of them with great fondness. John Hunter will be deeply missed. His legacy of love for God, family and others will remain with those who love him forever. WITH HEARTFELT SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY. Sincerely, Grace Forsythe and Family

September 24 at 4:06 PM



Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Hunter family.



September 23 at 7:04 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Hunter family.



September 23 at 3:55 PM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Hunter family.



September 23 at 5:19 AM



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Simon And Family sent a Small Garden Dish to the Hunter family.



September 22 at 4:08 PM



Anonymous sent a Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant to the Hunter family.



September 21 at 5:56 AM



Fadonia Reed sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Hunter family.



September 21 at 5:31 AM



Janice Starling lit a candle in honor of John.

John Hunter was the best auditor for the Childcare Food Program. He was thorough and precise. Thanks John for your guidance! I became a better Food manager because of you. You will be missed. May God continue to watch over your family. Janice



Starling <https://s3.amazonaws.com/storage.lifetributes.com/Candles/new/candle-5.png>

September 20 at 4:47 PM



Sandra Hopkins September 21 at 5:03 PM

May God provide comfort and peace to your family during this time. John Hunter was a kind, helpful, and understanding individual. As everyone states, he did his work with excellence and care. I appreciate his audits because he genuinely helped and provided guidance instead of a "gotcha " attitude. He was a great example for the food program! John Hunter will truly be missed. Blessings to you today and always family...



Fran Freyer September 21 at 8:23 AM

My friend John was simply the best!! He gave so much of himself to his work and I have enjoyed my work relationship with hi . John and I became friends through our work meetings and i can not SAY ENOUGH GOOD ABOUT HIM!! Thank you so much for being a great state worker, partner in our work and friend!! You are MISSED DEARLY ❤️❤️



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Bridgette Heller posted:

I met John only eighteen months ago when I decided to apply for the After-School Meals Program for my not-for-profit. We serve African-American school age children in South St. Petersburg. I was so overwhelmed by the paperwork. I had expected I could apply in a few hours and I had already spent days applying for new classifications and pulling together various documents. I think he could tell I was on the verge of exhaustion and tears. He smiled and asked me to tell him about the students and the community I served. He knew the community. He had other clients there. We laughed as he told me about how he spent 80-90% of his time on the road visiting programs like mine. He trained me and he explained the things I needed to be careful to ensure I paid extra attention to. The two hours we spent together and it went by so fast if felt like twenty minutes. I would not have made it through that day without John! We only spoke over the phone a few times after that but each time it felt like he was an advocate, a friend. I know John's spirit celebrated with me recently when the program expanded I will miss his guidance. I will miss his smile. May his spirit have everlasting peace. Bridgette Heller

September 20 at 12:47 PM



Emma Jean Morman September 24 at 7:25 PM

Rest in peace baby brother you were so young when our mother passed away you never got to know her but now you should meet her in heaven I was sad that we did not get a chance to grow up together but God put a mother in your life a great mom Aunt Pauline that was the lady that was your mom she raised you to be a great individual great provider for your family and love for all your relatives I will miss texting you baby brother because I know if I text you you would text me back you was not a big talker on the telephone but when I text you I can see that big smile on your face when you text me back I will always love you and hold you in my heart may God forever bless your wife and your three children and grandbabies love you always and we'll miss that big old pretty smile that you had every time we saw each other love always Emma j e a n you will forever be in my heart



Betty Katsamakakis posted:

I knew John through CCFP. He was a kind, gentle, thoughtful and humble man with a quiet strength who loved his family. So sorry for your loss! May his memory be eternal!

September 20 at 11:57 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Hunter family.



September 20 at 11:31 AM



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DT

Debbie G.Trenker posted:

John was a consummate professional who helped so many people with his work in the Child Care Food Program. He was always considerate and thoughtful and made you want to do you absolute best for him. He will be missed professionally and I am sure his caring nature was just as evident to his family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with you - from the staff and family at Morning Glory Academy in Riverview, FL.

September 20 at 11:19 AM

DM

Diana Mckinsey sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Hunter family.



September 20 at 11:06 AM

LC

Love Always Charlotte sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Hunter family.



September 19 at 4:32 PM

LD

Lorna Hunter-Danler posted:

John Hunter Sr.(Dad) was a great provider, father and husband. Everything i think of him, I remember his throaty laugh and his dedication to his family. He was a very hard worker and provider, and loved us very much. It still seems so unreal that he is not here. REST IN PEACE Dad. We love you.Lorna Hunter-Danler

September 2 at 1:47 PM

BW

Betty Wesson posted:

Happy birthday in heaven Johnny. 🍷

August 30 at 9:45 AM

RS

Ruthy Scriven posted:

SO SORRY FOR YOU LOSS PRAYING FOR THE FAMILY

August 29 at 2:34 PM



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Sharna posted:

John Hunter Sr has been a stable in my life. I first met him when I came to the state and lived with him and my cousin Joyce. He never treated as a stranger. We also have fun when we would meet including teasing each other. He will be truly missed. Rest in peace.

August 24 at 6:33 AM



Charlotte Wright September 19 at 3:57 PM

Johnny, as he was known when I was growing up, has always been a quiet presence. My memories of him are he was always there to support his aunt, my great-grandmother Pauline, and my uncle Percy; he was quiet, but always had a smile whenever we came over. Even though I was young, I realized John was committed, strong, determined, faithful to loved ones and laser focused on his goals. One of his goals I remember him achieving is going to college, and graduating with an accounting degree! He and I never discussed this accomplishment, but I was very proud of him! He set a standard for all in the family to follow. To see him at the family reunions always warmed my heart and brought back memories of when we were young and growing up in Arkansas, or when we visited California and was greeted at the door with his strong, quiet demeanor, and that big John smile that always made you feel welcomed and loved. My God continue to Bless and Keep his pride and joy.....his family. RIP John Hunter.Charlotte Fields-Wright



Bettye Wesson August 29 at 2:51 PM

John, oh Johnny what can be said. We grew up together as kids, I was older, you younger, yet you were like a lil brother to me. I remember when your mom passed away and you came to live with us. You never got a chance to know her, now it's your time to spend an eternity with her. You will be missed here by family and friends but you will always be in our hearts forever



Joylene Hunter lit a candle in honor of John.

John Lee Hunter was my dad. I love him so much! He was there for me throughout my entire childhood. He taught me so much such as having faith in God and learning to ride a bike. Some of the many moments I cherish were the father daughter dinner dances we went to, and traveling during the summers. My dad was a role model, an amazing provider, and supporter. He touched the lives of many throughout his journey on Earth. He was unselfish and giving, often putting his needs and desires last and those of others first and there is no doubt he wanted the best for my mom and his children. He was a very hard worker and a determined person, determined to be devoted to his faith and his family. He never left us throughout his whole journey here and for that I am eternally grateful! I love you Dad and miss you so much. My only comfort is knowing that you are resting safely and peacefully in the arms of the Creator.



August 23 at 9:58 AM



Media

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September 28 at 5:23 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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