



Mr. John Joseph (Johnny) Holzauer II

September 3, 1930 - April 26, 2024

John Joseph (Johnny) Holzauer II of Gillett, passed away April 26, 2024, in DeWitt. He was born September 3, 1930 in Gillett, Arkansas to the late John and Elfrieda Holzauer.

He was a 1947 graduate of Gillett High School and a lifelong member of St. Paul Lutheran Church where he held numerous offices and board positions.

Johnny is remembered for his dedication to public service and served on many boards throughout Arkansas County. For forty years, Johnny served on the Arkansas County Housing Authority and was chairman for twenty-five years of his tenure. The Arkansas County Soil and Water Conservation was a passion of his. He was a member of the board for thirty years and served as chairman for twenty of those. He is honored yearly with a scholarship given in his name to a DeWitt High School senior.

For twenty years Johnny served on the board of Planters and Merchants Bank and for fifteen years on the Gillett School Board. He was a member of the Arkansas Quorum Court for two years.

As a lifelong farmer, he loved working in the fields while watching the crops grow. In 1966 Johnny was awarded Outstanding Young Farmer of Arkansas. His family was named Arkansas County Farm Family in 1969.

Johnny is survived by the love of his life, Margie Young Holzhauer, who he was married to for seventy-one years. He is also survived by son, Jody Holzhauer (Lynn) of Gillett, daughters Donna Slay (Danny) of Conway, Gayle Womack (Randy), Sheila Dodson (Mike), Nancy Whiting (Sammy) all of Gillett. His grandchildren include; Blake Holzhauer, Erin Simon, Dustin, Drew and Nathan Slay, Ryan Womack, Jordan Gardner, Bryce Dodson, Mallory Sweetin, Austin and Barrett Whiting. Johnny and Margie were blessed with eighteen great grandchildren who were his pride and joy. one brother Carroll Holzhauer (Doris) of Little Rock.

Services will be held at 11:00 Tuesday, April 30 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Gillett with burial following at Gillett Cemetery. Visitation will be at Essex Funeral Home on Monday, April 29 from 5 -7. Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, PO Box 419, Gillett, Arkansas or Gillett Cemetery Association, PO Box 124 Gillett, AR 72055.

Cemetery Details

Gillett Cemetery

Gillett, AR 72055

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Essex Funeral Home
1405 South Grandview
DeWitt, AR 72042
(870) 946-3104
<https://www.essexfuneralhome.com>

Service

APR **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St Paul Lutheran Church
206 W Rose Ave
Gillett, AR 72055
(870) 548-2554

Tribute Wall

PD

“ *Prentice And Sue Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Joseph (Johnny) Holzhauer II*



Prentice and Sue Davis - April 29, 2024 at 08:45 AM

BR

“ *Bill Richter purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. John Joseph (Johnny) Holzhauer II.*



Bill Richter - April 28, 2024 at 04:04 PM

BR

“ *Bill Richter planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. John Joseph (Johnny) Holzhauer II.*

Bill Richter - April 28, 2024 at 04:04 PM

EH

“ *Prayers for Ms. Margie and the family.*



Ester Hageman, LPN DeWitt Hospital - April 28, 2024 at 02:01 PM

JM

“ Mrs Margie and family. We are so sorry for your loss. Mr Johnny was such a fine person and will be missed. May God bless you during this difficult time.

John and Theresa (Lehman) McGaha

John and Theresa McGaha - April 28, 2024 at 10:59 AM

SH

“ I remember so vividly how John lit up the room with his infectious smile. I remember a day when he showed the youth around his farm and how he loved it so much. He and Margie were great inspirations to their family and everyone around them. You will be missed by so many. Now you are smiling with all the angels!

Sharon - April 27, 2024 at 08:32 PM

WR

“ Wayne & Donna Rowland purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Mr. John Joseph (Johnny) Holzhauser II.



Wayne & Donna Rowland - April 27, 2024 at 02:50 PM

PR

“ Pamela Reed lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Joseph (Johnny) Holzhauser II



Pamela Reed - April 27, 2024 at 02:11 PM

PR

Keeping the Holzhauser family in my prayers. Mr. Johnny will missed by many.

Pamela Reed - April 27, 2024 at 02:12 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mr. John Joseph (Johnny) Holzhauser II.*



April 27, 2024 at 12:07 PM