



## John Reeves

June 30, 1923 - February 17, 2012

John T. Reeves, Sr. passed away at home on February 17, 2012 at the age of 88. John was born June 30, 1923 to Ernest and Helen Reeves, in Forman, Arkansas. He lived in Crowell, Texas until 6 years of age, at which time he moved with his family to Phoenix, AZ. He attended Roosevelt Elementary School and graduated from Phoenix Union High School. John was a World War II veteran and joined the Navy in May of 1944 where he served in the Asiatic Pacific area until 1946. He was honorably discharged, receiving the Philippine Liberation Medal with one star and the World War II Victory Medal. Upon returning to Phoenix, AZ he opened his own business, J & J Transmission & Wrecking Yard. John was active in his community and belonged to the South Phoenix Lions Club, Automobile Wrecking Assoc. and was a charter member of the Laveen Lions. He was an avid golfer belonging to the Thunderbird C.C., enjoyed fishing with his family in Oak Creek Canyon and the White Mountains and getting together with family and friends in Laveen, AZ. He is survived by his wife of 60 years Arlene Reeves, four children: Cathy Royse, Susie Gaston (Rod), John Reeves Jr. (Judy), Jim Reeves (Martina); four grandchildren: Zakary and Mandy Royse, John Thomas Reeves III, Amber Rowan (Tom); and three great grandchildren: Hadyn Reeves, Lily and Cody Rowan and one sister Martha (Rex) Wilson. John was a devoted Husband, Father and Grandpa. He will be greatly missed. A gathering for family and friends in memory of John, will be held at 2:00 pm on March 3, 2012 at the residence of Cathy Royse, 5303 W. La

Mirada Drive, Laveen, AZ. Sunrise Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements. Please visit [www.sunrisefuneralhome.com](http://www.sunrisefuneralhome.com) to sign his guest book.

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Reeves*

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January 30, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Dear Family,*

*I am sorry to learn of your loss. My grandfather was Thacker Millard Turner who is the brother of John's mother, Helen Victoria Turner Reeves. I lost my mom, Roberta Rose Turner Tiffany in 1977 and my grandpa in 1972. Since then, I have lost track of many of my wonderful cousins. I hope we can reconnect.*

*I remember your family name. I am deeply sorry for your loss.*

*Your cousin,*

*Sue Tiffany*

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**Sue Tiffany** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ellen and I are sorry for your loss, are thoughts and prayers are with you and all of your family.*

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**Randall Dowding** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *John T Reeves,with sadness I read of John Ts passing.  
Sadness for his Family and circle of Friends.  
Sadness for my self as John T was a great influence in my life, as  
he was shutting down his business and I was just starting mine,John  
provided me with some equipment from his shop.  
However what I appreciated the most was  
John T taking the time to talk to me about his relationship with his  
customers.  
he treated all as Friends and Neighbors.  
That advice has served me well in my business and personal life  
THANK YOU JOHN T .  
I am also saddened that I did not put pen to paper and send a letter  
to John  
thanking him.*

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**Michael S Young** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *John Reeves*

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**George J. Borjon** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ My Uncle John left this earth on his terms. That is the way he lived his life. I have so many memories of Uncle John and the great times we had playing golf and enjoying Thunderbird Country Club. He was an important part of my getting into the golf business. Our families had such great times at the house on 1st Avenue. Remember the go cart and the hours spent on that back yard oval? John was a Man's Man. He treated every one equally. It did not matter if you were rich, poor, or were, as he stated "a hundred dollar millionaire". You got the same from Uncle John. John provided for his family in every way, including building several homes, a skill I admire so much. I will miss Uncle John, but the respect I have for him and what he gave to this world will never go away.  
God Bless Arlene, Johnny, Jimmy, Cathy and Susie, and my MOM, Martha.

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**Michael Wilson** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ All around good guy,Go with GOD john,,

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**Carl Kinsley** - February 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM