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## John Luther Prince III



John Luther Prince, III Was born November 13, 1941 in Austin, Texas, to Glynda and J.L. Prince, Jr. He died December 16, 2005 in Tucson, AZ. He was a man full of faith with a close relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. His life reflected his love for Jesus, and he looked forward to the day he would be with Him. John's family and friends were very important to him. He is survived by his high school sweetheart and wife of 45 years, Martha; children:

Cindi (Dan) Cooke, John Prince IV, Alan (Cindy) Prince, and David Prince; his grandchildren: William & Katherine Cooke, Lauren, Owen, & Benjamin Prince; and his brothers: James (C.J.), Larry (Linda), & Barry (Lynda). He had great love for his whole family. While his children were young, John served as a coach in various baseball leagues and Y.M.C.A. baseball programs. He was a director of a youth football program as well. John was a member of Community of Hope Lutheran Church in Tucson, and considered it a privilege to serve as adult education teacher, council member, Stephen Minister, and in several other ministries there. He was a member of Alcoholics Anonymous for over 20 years, and served in several volunteer capacities through that organization. He enjoyed riding motorcycles, traveling, and collecting stamps and slide rules. His love of music ranged from Bob Dylan to medieval, to classical, shape-note singing and contemporary Christian. His great sense of humor endeared him to many, and was passed down to many of his descendants. John graduated from Southern Methodist University Magna Cum Laude with a B.S.E.E., and he earned an M.S.E.E. and Ph.D. from North Carolina State University. He was a member of the Technical Staff at Texas Instruments in Dallas, Texas, from 1969-1975. In 1975 he had the opportunity to apply his experience in industry at Clemson University in South Carolina. By the time he left there in 1980 he was a tenured professor in Electrical Engineering. From 1980-1983 he was Director of Reliability Assurance for Intermedics, Inc. In 1983 John and his family moved to Tucson where he returned to his true calling as a Professor of Electrical & Computer Engineering at University of Arizona. He served in numerous capacities including Director of the Center for Electronic Packaging Research. He founded the packaging program at the university and brought significant funding to the research program. He truly enjoyed advising his graduate students, some of whom became good friends and colleagues. He also published many technical journal articles and books. John also served as a Distinguished Visiting Scientist and Director (Acting) of Packaging Sciences for Semiconductor Research Corp. in 1991-1992. John was a Fellow of IEEE, and a member of the Electron Devices, Microwave Theory and Techniques, Reliability, Solid-State Circuits, Components and

Hybrids groups of IEEE. He was a member of Sigma Xi, Phi Kappa Phi, Eta Kappa Nu, and Phi Eta Sigma honorary societies. Among his awards were the Inventor Award by Semiconductor Research Corp. in 1988, and the 1988 Semiconductor International Technology Achievement Award. In 1991 he received an award as Arizona Innovator of the Year. John Prince will be missed by many - family, friends, and colleagues. A celebration of John's life will be held at Community of Hope Lutheran Church, 3141 Ironwood Hills, Tucson, AZ on Tuesday, Dec. 20 at 4:00 p.m. The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be given to Community of Hope Lutheran Church, Salvation Army, or Gospel Rescue Mission in John's name. Arrangements entrusted to ADAIR FUNERAL HOMES, AVALON CHAPEL .

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