



## Mr. John Henry Finley

December 14, 1936 - February 28, 2022

Mr. John Henry Finley was born December 14, 1937, in Magnolia, Arkansas, (Freehope Community), to the late Floyd Finley and Rosie Lee Cooper.

He was united in Holy Matrimony to Mrs. Bernice Walters-Finley.

John accepted Christ at an early age and was a faithful member of New Bethel Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon until his health failed him.

He worked over 50 years as a farmer for Cameron Dodson Farms. After his retirement, he worked as a custodian at the Adult Education Center.

John was well-known for his green thumb and his love for fruits and vegetables. He was always out on Saturday mornings displaying his produce at the Farmer's Market.

He was a pioneer father of the Calhoun Heights area. His love for his one and only daughter, Deborah Finley (his "Debbie Ann"), will never be forgotten. Although he only had one daughter, he was blessed with five beautiful granddaughters that will always have a special place in their hearts for their "Paw Paw" John Henry.

John gained his wings on Monday, February 28, 2022.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife Bernice; one sister, Essie Mae Finley; and great grandson, Sean Michael Morgan.

John is survived by his daughter, Deborah Easter of Magnolia, AR; five granddaughters: Kristy (Jermillian) Carter, Ashley Easter, Whitney Booze, and Tiara Booze all of Magnolia, AR; and Karla (Andre) Molden of Colorado Springs, CO; 15 great grandchildren: Ca'Darris Easter, Ariel Chappel, Angel Easter, Cassidy Easter, Jada Martin, Amiyia Davis, Ashlyn Easter, Zyria Booze, Ahmad Davis, Brooklyn Jones all of Magnolia, AR; Jordan Morgan of Dallas, TX, Kellarick Willis, Kaden Willis, Jurnee Molden, and Malaki Molden all of Colorado Springs, CO; one great-great granddaughter, Nova Harris; his sister, Mary Sue Toney of Milwaukee, WI; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Celebration of Life services will be held Saturday, March 12th, 2022, at R.L. Reed Funeral Home Chapel at 11:00 a.m., with burial to follow at New Bethel/St. John Cemetery (Freehope Community), in Magnolia, AR, under the direction of R.L. Reed Funeral Home, LLC.

Visitation will be Friday {Mar. 11th} at R.L. Reed Funeral Home from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, "Everyone Is Required to Wear a Mask While Attending the Services and During Visitation Hours." This ensures safety for you and others. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

## Cemetery Details

### **New Bethel/St. John Cemetery**

1515 Columbia 38  
Magnolia, AR

## Previous Events

### **Celebration of Life**

MAR 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

R.L. Reed Funeral Home Chapel  
100 HWY 79 NORTH  
Magnolia, AR

# Tribute Wall

WT

“ *Waynell Tatom lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Waynell Tatom - May 29, 2022 at 06:33 AM

MW

“ *Margie Warren lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Margie Warren - March 15, 2022 at 03:09 AM

SD

“ *Shirley Dismuke lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Shirley Dismuke - March 12, 2022 at 02:46 PM

JE

“ *Jackie Easter lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Jackie Easter - March 11, 2022 at 06:56 PM

GJ

“ Gladys Talley Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley



Gladys Talley Jones - March 11, 2022 at 05:41 PM

RB

“ to the family of mr finley my sympathy is with the family and to also the cooper family may god comfort u all and be with u always i remember when i was at the speical olympics in 2019 mr finley persented me with the mvp and sportsmanship award and infact he even sang the national anthem to open it and even gave the opening prayer

richie butler - March 11, 2022 at 03:23 PM

OJ

“ Sorry for your loss he was a great person  
May God Bless The Family



Olivia Johnson - March 10, 2022 at 11:31 PM

TC

“ Tammi Cooper sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley



Tammi Cooper - March 08, 2022 at 02:51 PM

KG

“ *Kelly Gentry lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



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**kelly Gentry** - March 08, 2022 at 12:12 AM

NS

“ *Norrissa Sharp lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



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**Norrissa Sharp** - March 07, 2022 at 08:20 AM

CF

“ *Finley Family  
So sorry for your loss  
We pray that Almighty  
God bless and comfort The  
Family. Always remember his  
Comforting words at Rev.21:3-4  
Where God says he will soon  
Bring a end to sickness and death.*

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**Cotis and Joyce Franks** - March 06, 2022 at 11:14 PM

GC

“ *Gwen Carter lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



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**Gwen Carter** - March 06, 2022 at 01:02 AM

JO

“ *Praying for the family*

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**joannwhitaker** - March 05, 2022 at 02:14 PM

VB

“ *Victor And Shawn Bean lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



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**Victor and Shawn Bean** - March 05, 2022 at 07:47 AM

BW

“ *Sorry your lost family y'all are in thoughts and prayers the Wright family*

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**Becky Wright** - March 04, 2022 at 09:01 AM

MS

“ *Maurice Strong sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



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**Maurice strong** - March 03, 2022 at 01:29 PM

RM

“ *Rev. McGraw lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



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**Rev. McGraw** - March 03, 2022 at 12:55 PM

SE

“ *John was a very kind, loving man, he always had a beautiful smile and a cherry word to share. R I P John*



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**Shelly Easter** - March 02, 2022 at 06:13 PM

RC

“ *John Henry was always such a kind man. Always had a smile. Prayers for his family.*

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**Rhonda Colinger** - March 02, 2022 at 11:37 AM

MM

“ *Melvin McGraw lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



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**Melvin McGraw** - March 02, 2022 at 10:18 AM

WT

“ Prayers for Debra and all the family for strength and comfort! 🙏🙏🙏  
Waynell Tatom, LPN



Waynell Tatom - March 02, 2022 at 02:04 AM

DH

“ Dearlean Hughes sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley



Dearlean Hughes - March 01, 2022 at 08:09 PM

CJ

“ Charles E Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley



Charles E Jackson - March 01, 2022 at 07:02 PM

MM

“ Marvin Mallory lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley



Marvin Mallory - March 01, 2022 at 06:14 PM

JM

“ I will always remember that smile and his words of encouragement!!



Joe McIntyre - March 01, 2022 at 05:39 PM

Teresa  
Fulton

“ I have many great memories of papa John Henry. He always treated me like his very own granddaughter. Thank you for loving me 🥰  
Get your rest until we meet again.



Teresa Fulton - March 01, 2022 at 04:23 PM

GT

“ Gracie W. Tucker sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley



Gracie W. Tucker - March 01, 2022 at 04:06 PM

GT

*My sincere prayers for the entire family. Matthew 5:4 says, "Blessed are those who grieve, for they shall be comforted". Praying during this time of mourning, you will remember the good times and be comforted by the love shared with your loved one in order to celebrate a life well lived. Know that friends share in your sorrow and are praying that God will wrap you in His comforting arms during this time and in time to come,*

Gracie W. Tucker - March 01, 2022 at 04:21 PM

SM

“ I'm sorry for your lost I'm praying 🙏 for the family of Mr John Henry Finley be strong for one another our creator is with you all



Sharon Moore - March 01, 2022 at 01:52 PM



“ Dianne Williamson lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley



Dianne Williamson - March 01, 2022 at 01:25 PM

BH

“ Brenda Hanson lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley



Brenda Hanson - March 01, 2022 at 12:08 PM

RC

“ Reginald Curry sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley



Reginald Curry - March 01, 2022 at 10:50 AM

MP

“ *Mary S. Pickings lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Mary S. Pickings - March 01, 2022 at 10:42 AM

DH

“ *Dearlean Hughes sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Dearlean Hughes - March 01, 2022 at 10:23 AM

KW

“ *Kathy Sharp Witt lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Kathy sharp witt - March 01, 2022 at 07:07 AM

LS

“ *Linda Sharp lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Linda sharp - March 01, 2022 at 07:05 AM

KW

“ *Kathy Sharp Witt sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Kathy sharp witt - March 01, 2022 at 07:04 AM

CB

“ *Carol Best lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Carol Best - February 28, 2022 at 11:42 PM

VJ

“ *Vevelyn Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Vevelyn Jackson - February 28, 2022 at 07:03 PM

JE

“ *Jackie Easter lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Henry Finley*



Jackie Easter - February 28, 2022 at 05:09 PM