

John Marion Kuropatwa

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John, an engineer and a test designer for Campbell Soups, came to South Texas from north of Chicago where he lived much of his life. He left three daughters, two in Chicago and one in Dallas. John was an engineer and a test designer for Campbell Soups.



At Fun N Sun, John's artistic bent led him to paint a chuck wagon on the wall of the Rec Hall eating area. Also, he created a stage coach frame which he had designed and built to fit on Bob and Carolyn Ross's golf cart. Then on Western Days he asked Bob to drive the cart through the Rec. Hall where cowboys and saloon girls were milling around, eager to ride on the "coach."

John loved dogs. Gracie would unlock his trailer door and could be seen running down the street. Gracie went with John most places he traveled. He arrived at Fun N Sun in "Big Red," the truck that pulled his fifth-wheel trailer. Also he rode around in an old Volkswagen car which he had restored himself.

John was a friendly, outgoing person. At Fun N Sun, he attended the Singles 8 a.m. coffee group regularly and the park dances (John loved to dance).

