John Taylor Halsey II, 62, passed away peacefully on September 4, 2014 in the presence of his family after a valiant fight with cancer. John was born and raised in New Orleans to the late Donald and Virginia Logan Halsey. He graduated from St. Martin's Episcopal School, attended Tulane University where he was a member of the Kappa Alpha Order, and graduated with a BS in Computer Science from University of Houston.

John resided in Houston and is survived by his adoring wife Toy Garate Halsey, his sister Elizabeth Halsey Register of Waveland, MS, his step-children Pegy Zepeda (Jesse) and Dennis Brando (Marcia), his grandchildren Lili Marie Jamail, Joseph Darr Jamail and Gabriella Brando, many cousins, nieces and nephews and an extended family in Argentina. Besides his parents, John was preceded in death by his sister Adair Halsey Marsh of the U.K. and his brother-in-law Woody Register. He had a very close family.

John loved the fellowship of many friends, fishing buddies, hunting buddies and card game pals. He with his wife were world travelers, particularly to Europe and Argentina, and resided in Brussels, Belgium while he was working for Mobil in the 70's and in Mexico as an independent contractor of IBM in the early 80's. John was active in Casa Argentina (particularly in the Medical Bridges group), the homeowner's association of Bay Harbor in Galveston, an avid New Orleans Saints fan, a Houston Rockets fan and a fan since childhood of his favorite baseball team, the Cleveland Indians. Memorial services in Houston, Galveston and New Orleans will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family would prefer donations in his name to the HSPCA at 900 Portway, Houston 77024 or to the Galveston Bay Foundation at 17330 Texas Hwy.3, Webster, Texas.