



## James Arthur Johnson, Sr.

October 26, 1934 - August 28, 2010

His journey here on earth has ended but his new life has just begun. Our beloved James Arthur Johnson, Sr., 75, departed this life on August 28, 2010. He was born October 26, 1934, the first child to the late Willie L. and Betty L. Johnson. James was preceded in death by two of his brothers, David and Charles.

He was raised in Cumberland County, Virginia, where he accepted Christ at an early age. He graduated from Luther P. Jackson High School in 1954 the year in which he was class treasurer. Upon graduating, he moved to Richmond, Virginia where he worked and met the love of his life, Ruth E. Wright at MCV. They were married on May 14, 1956 for what would be 54 devoted years, and they were blessed with seven children.

James even worked for the Federal Reserve Bank for 38 years until his retirement in 1994. He enjoyed doing yard work, hunting, fishing and sitting on his front porch relaxing by taking short naps.

James was a strong, caring, loving, protecting compassionate, and very devoted husband to his wife and children. He loved having fun with his family. He cherished every moment with his grands. He often stressed the importance of being self-sufficient and doing right by your family.

He had a gift of giving and was willing to help anyone. Because of the wonderful love he shared, he will never be forgotten and will always be in our hearts. He will always be remembered for his generosity of love, his smile and his laughter. The love he had for his family was the backbone of his

personality.

James' heart was strong, but his body was tired. We are comforted in knowing that he is in a better place and has a better life. The family is so fortunate to have had him in our lives for so many years and we feel empty without him. James was a caring and devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. He was truly a blessing from God who generated rays of loving sunshine in our house.

James leaves to cherish his memories a loving and devoted wife, Ruth E. Johnson; three sons, James Johnson Jr. (Donna), Wilbert Johnson Sr., and Godfrey Johnson (Monica); four daughters, Gloria Broidy, Jacqueline Johnson (George), Vivian Johnson and Emily Moore (Byron Sr.); twelve grandchildren; twenty-one great-grandchildren; two brothers, Willie and Johnny (Janice) Johnson; six sisters-in-law; one brother-in-law; and a host of other relatives and friends, including three devoted, Gary Artis, Robert Pittman, RáJames Wright and TJ.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 3. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Service

SEP 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *James Arthur Johnson, Sr.*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *MISSING YOU POP*

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**GODFREY** - December 15, 2015 at 01:03 PM



“ *To my buddy and my freind that i really miss alot. We cant sit out on the pourch and put our great minds together to solve some of our problems. Or just have friendly conversation, when i go by i miss his favorite words to me you doing alright. So i really cant say enough about my freind that i will truly miss. I love u pop!!!!*  
*Big Bud*

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**Byron Moore** - August 10, 2011 at 09:16 AM

TA

“ My favoite memory of grand daddy, was the first day he retired from his job,, Grand daddy was happy that he put all them years in@his last job,, but grand daddy never knew how t relax @take it easy, so grand daddy was out side cutting grandma grass@ few other people yards and did that for while, I remember the grand kids telling grand daddy to sit down on the porch ad relax, Poppop just said UUUMM HUHH, (THATS NOF FAVORITE WORDS) UH HUH, AND kept on doing we he did best, poppop was great man..I want to sa rest now, grand daddy, your job here is over, but never ever forgtten, Love you frm Dupree,DeAndre,Darryl@ mTay.. we wil miss u.. Keep your head up grandma, pop pop,relly loved u..god bless the Johnson Family@friends

TayTay - September 02, 2010 at 07:55 AM

DD

I am thankful for knowinh James Johnson, as well as Ruth Johnson, as well as the entire Jonson family, i met the m 25yrs ago, i have always appreciated them for welcoming me, i've shared holidays with them that I will never forget! Mr Johnson was to me like the father I never had, he was always, kind to me, and encouraged me in so many ways, his smile I will always remeber! He was the man that God called him to be, I am thankful for the things he taught, and for the love that he brought into my life! He spirits lives! on forever

Diane Davis - September 11, 2010 at 03:02 PM

KH

“ Ricky, I was very saddened to hear of your grandfathers passing. I know there's nothing I can say or do to lessen your pain. Just know that u and your family is in my thoughts and prayers <3



Kizzi Henderson-Banks - September 01, 2010 at 11:13 PM

RJ

“ *Raheem Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of James Arthur Johnson, Sr.*



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**Raheem Johnson** - September 01, 2010 at 08:44 PM

RJ

“ *I Love you and miss you always papa just know we are ok here and I thank you for being the man you are and was to us all ---- mook e. joe*

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**Ricky Johnson** - September 01, 2010 at 08:43 PM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

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**March Funeral Homes** - August 31, 2010 at 11:42 AM