



## Johnny R. Alsberry

July 28, 1944 - December 17, 2024

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Johnny was the seventh of eleven children born to the late Jordan Alsberry Sr. and Roberta Adams Alsberry on the eve of July 28, 1944, in Strasburg, VA. Johnny was born into a family of Love for God and his son Jesus and, therefore, was baptized at an early age, becoming a member of the Esbie Baptist Church in Strasburg. Johnny attended Sunday School, with his dad being his first teacher in the children's class. He attended Wednesday night prayer services at church during the warm seasons and in family members' homes during cold weather. Johnny joined the junior choir and continued to grow spiritually.

Before Johnny's early teen years, his family joined Macedonia Baptist Church of Flint Hill, VA where Johnny continued his spiritual growth in his parents' home church.

Johnny attended the one room with seven grades, Sunset Hill Elementary School in Strasburg, and Douglas High School in Winchester, VA. After graduating from Douglas High School, Johnny attended Virginia State College. In August 1965, he received a greeting card from Uncle Sam, "I Want You." Johnny entered the United States Army and had his basic training at Ft.

Gordon, GA, and Advanced Training at Ft. Belvoir School of Engineering. Upon completing his training course, Johnny became a Missile Equipment Maintenance Specialist. He was then sent to the Homestead Air Force Base in Florida, where he routinely traveled to the eight Army missile sites needing maintenance repairs. In June of 1967, Johnny was on his way to South Vietnam, where he was attached to the First Air Cavalry Division. He spent eight of his twelve months in the country's northern section near the Demilitarization Zone. Johnny was discharged from the Army in June 1968 with the rank of Sergeant (E-5).

On June 30, 1968, Johnny married Barbara Thompson and decided it was time to go back to school. In September, he re-entered Virginia State College. With homework help and love from his wife, Johnny graduated from Virginia State College in 1972 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

After graduation, Johnny and Barbara moved to Pittsburgh, PA, where he was employed by Nabisco, Inc., and returned to Richmond when the local bakery was completed in the fall of 1973. On the eve of November 5, 1973, Barbara and Johnny were blessed with the birth of their daughter, Mishawn Hope, and on the morning of June 16, 1975, they again were blessed with the birth of their son, Reis Donyale.

On November 17, 1985, Johnny became a member of St. James Baptist Church and served as President of the Male Doorkeepers Board and the St. James' Pisto Sheepfold leader.

Johnny did not lay claim to any specific hobbies, but he did enjoy boating, fishing, snow skiing, bowling, basketball, and traveling.

Johnny enjoyed a full life, and he loved his church, his family, most of all, his God.

He was preceded in death by his infant daughters, Dana Nichele, and Devora Jonique; his parents, Jordan Sr. and Roberta; his brothers Jordan Jr. (Elizabeth), Alvin (Lemmie), Charles - infant, Leonard L. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Barbara T. Alsberry, of Henrico, VA; daughter, Mishawn A. Wilson of Glen Allen, VA; son, Reis D. Alsberry of Baton Rouge, LA and his loving granddaughter, Sydney C. Wilson, of Glen Allen, VA, sister, Rochella Strother (Kenneth - deceased), Marion Strother (Robert - deceased), Audrey Dyer (Earl - deceased), Siomone Alsberry (Leonard - deceased), Angela Wilkins (Olrice), Priscilla Terry (Edwin), Kathy Temple (Harry - deceased) and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

“Great is Thy faithfulness, morning by morning new mercies I see, all I have needed, Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness. Lord unto me!” - Lamentations 3:22-23

# Cemetery Details

## Virginia Veterans Cemetery at Amelia

10300 Pridesville Road  
Amelia, VA 23002

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **26**. 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

DEC **27**. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. James Baptist Church  
2169 New Market Road  
Richmond, VA 23231

## Interment

DEC **30**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Virginia Veterans Cemetery at Amelia  
10300 Pridesville Road  
Amelia, VA 23002



# Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

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**March Funeral Homes** - December 26, 2024 at 04:12 PM



“ *Dear Rochella, Knowing you I know the love you have for your family and I remember fondly hearing stories of your brother Johnny when we were together with all our scrapbooking buddies. I send you and your family all my love and prayers for peace and comfort as you send Johnny home. Hugs and Love, Carmen Castle*

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**Carmen Castle** - January 09, 2025 at 04:01 PM



“ *Condolences to the Alsberry Family / Shiela Humbert Wilcox*

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**Sheila Humbert Wilcox** - January 09, 2025 at 02:28 PM



“ *Sending our deepest condolences to the family of Mr. Alsberry.*



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**Missionary Kitchen** - December 26, 2024 at 03:40 PM

KM

“*Khari, Kobie, Mike, and Melanie purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Johnny R. Alsberry.*



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**Khari, Kobie, Mike, and Melanie** - December 26, 2024 at 03:10 PM

AC

“*Sincere condolences in the loss of your loved one. Keeping your family in prayer 🙏  
Arnetha Carter*



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**Arnetha Reynolds Carter** - December 26, 2024 at 10:47 AM



“*A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Johnny R. Alsberry.*

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December 25, 2024 at 09:02 AM



“*Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Johnny R. Alsberry.*



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December 25, 2024 at 09:02 AM

RC

“ Roland & Marion Cuffee purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Johnny R. Alsberry.



Roland & Marion Cuffee - December 24, 2024 at 05:17 PM

PT

“ Phillip & Lorraine Thompson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Johnny R. Alsberry.



Phillip & Lorraine Thompson - December 23, 2024 at 02:33 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.

March Funeral Homes - December 23, 2024 at 10:26 AM

AC

Johnny was a caring individual and a phenomenon supervisor at Nabisco. I never remembered the times which I worked with him to get mad or belittle anyone. He was one in a million who I truly enjoyed working with. RIP

Alfreda Chandler - December 23, 2024 at 03:21 PM

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*God has called a wonderful soldier home, always caring and passionate for others, condolences to the wife and family*

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**Clara Anderson -Williams** - December 23, 2024 at 07:51 PM

DI

*Johnny was a wonderful man. My husband and I both worked with him and thought a lot of him. Johnny treated everyone the same, no favorites. He could really run a line, so much knowledge. Our thoughts and prayers to his family. So very sorry. ❤️☐✝️*

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**Debbie and Arthur Irvin** - December 24, 2024 at 05:35 AM

MH

*Johnny was my first supervisor at Nabisco. He was a great role model for us all. Calm, cool and collective. RIP Johnny.*

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**Michael Eric Hufner** - December 27, 2024 at 09:56 AM

JB

*Monroe and I, just learned of Johnny's passing on Thursday, October 1, 2025. We were in awe of this and, would have been there had we known. RIP Johnny because, you're no longer suffering. Always, Monroe, Jacqueline and Cory Booker*

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**Jacqueline Booker** - October 03, 2025 at 10:33 AM