



Floyd "Sonny" Fred Johnson

October 27, 1949 - January 25, 2019

ADRIAN- Floyd "Sonny" Fred Johnson Jr., age 69, of Adrian, MI, passed away unexpectedly on January 25, 2019 at Elkhart General Hospital in Elkhart, Indiana. He was surrounded by his loving family and close friends.

Sonny was born on October 27, 1949, in Adrian, MI, to the late Floyd Sr. and Lucille Johnson. On May 12, 1979, he married Dawn Rene' Dean in Buchanan, MI. They would have celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary this May. Dawn survives along with their two children, Derek (Lee) Johnson of Onsted, MI, and Lauren (Brandon) Ford of Fort Wayne, IN; two sons, Matt Johnson and Mitchell Johnson; Aunt, Barbara Parrish of Adrian, MI.; sisters, Shirley (Larry) Isabel of Adrian, MI and Charlotte Burdine of Morenci, MI; one brother, Jim (Kathy) Johnson of Onsted, MI; four grandchildren, Lilianna, Audrey and Brielle Johnson and Jackson Ford and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his sister, Joan Johnson.

Sonny was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses on August 29, 1976 and he served as an elder for his local congregation beginning in April 1985. Sonny became a Nationwide Insurance Agent in 1973 and owned and operated Floyd Johnson Insurance Agency in Adrian, MI until his retirement in 2012 when his son Derek took over the business under the family name. Sonny continued to work there until his death.

Sonny was a deeply spiritual man who loved his family and grandchildren with all his heart. Sonny had a profound love for the Bible and teaching others the truths he had learned. He was also a pillar of the community with his kind heart, generous spirit, and a willingness to help everyone he met. Close friends and family have described him as loving, funny, with an infectious laugh and huge smile. He had the unique ability to see the positive in everyone, everything, and was generous beyond a fault. If you needed help, Sonny was always available.

Sonny had a love for gardening and shared much of his bounty with the local restaurants and friends in Adrian. Sonny's love of the water came from his childhood memories living in Florida. He and his wife, son and daughter enjoyed many trips to Florida to visit family and go fishing, which was a favorite pastime.

His loss will be deeply felt by family and friends, however we look forward to being reunited with him in the resurrection to come. We cannot express enough the deep appreciation to all our family and personal friends that provided lodging, food, comfort and prayers for Dawn and her children, Derek and Lauren. The memorial service will be held on Sunday, February 24, 2019 at 2pm at Dawson Auditorium Adrian College, 240 S. Charles St., Adrian, MI. Tim Blue from Elkhart, Indiana will officiate the service. Arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral Home where online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com

Events

FEB **Memorial Service** 02:00PM

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Dawson Auditorium at Adrian College
240 S. Charles St., Adrian, MI, US, 49221

Comments



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Floyd "Sonny" Fred Johnson.



February 21, 2019 at 05:17 PM



“ Marsha Sible purchased the Ghirardelli & Fruit Condolences Gift Basket for the family of Floyd "Sonny" Fred Johnson.



Marsha Sible - February 11, 2019 at 01:45 PM



“ Sonny is one of the few people in life you could count on for always feeling "better" after talking to him. He always encouraged me and I will never forget his words, or his smiling face. He will be sorely missed in many lives. My heart goes out to his entire family and especially his wonderful wife and "sister" Dawn.

Marsha Sible - February 11, 2019 at 01:42 PM



“ We are so sad to hear about Sonny. He was always so friendly and kind. We are thinking of you all and send our sincerest condolences.

Sue and Tim Allshouse - February 02, 2019 at 05:20 PM



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February 02, 2019 at 11:58 AM



“ I worked with Sonny at Nationwide for many years and although our offices were several miles away from each other when we did get together at meetings we always enjoyed talking with each other. We also talked several times a year to share ideas. He was always encouraging and could find something good to say about most anyone. Sorry to hear about his moving on to a better place.

Rick Olmstead - February 01, 2019 at 06:40 PM



“ Sonny was a wonderful man that I have known since I was a teen. He has always been a big source of encouragement to me throughout the years, always telling me what a great job I was doing as a single mom. He's told me I amaze him because he wouldn't even know what all the tools I own are let alone what to do with them. Sonny gave special attention to my daughter Brittany knowing she needed male encouragement in her life. Since he has become a champion of my grandchildren always seeking them out and giving them encouragement. This past year he took 2 of my grandsons to a basketball game at Adrian college as a reward for learning the books of the bible. He will be sadly missed until that time when we see him in the promised resurrection here on earth. What a joy it will be to welcome back our loved ones.

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Nancy Hernandez - January 29, 2019 at 08:21 PM