



Larry Johnson

November 22, 1937 - March 24, 2022

The memorial service celebrating the life of Larry Johnson of Wadena will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 7, at the Schuller Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services' Johnson-Schuller Chapel in Wadena, with Pastor Stephen Meltzer presiding. Family and friends may gather at the chapel on Thursday, from 12:30 p.m. until the time of the service.

Larry, age 84, passed away at his home in Wadena, on March 24, 2022, surrounded with the compassionate care of his family and Knute Nelson Hospice.

Larry was born to Maurice and Laurene "Rene" (Herman) Johnson on November 22, 1937 in Wadena, MN. He joined the US Navy on July 1, 1955 and was honorably discharged November 21, 1958. Larry was united in marriage with Dorothea Mary (Ricklefs) Countryman on September 26, 1980 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Deer Creek.

For over 32 years, Larry was a familiar face at Wadena High School where he eventually held the position of head custodian. After retiring, he wanted to remain useful and worked at Golden Russet Potato delivering to many places. He volunteered at the Wadena Food Shelf, delivered Meals On Wheels, and was very active at St. John Lutheran Church. Larry enjoyed motorcycling, camping, reading and spending time with his family. He was a lifetime member of the Wadena VFW.

Preceding Larry in death were his parents, Maurice and Laurene; and siblings, Robert A. Johnson and Beverly (DeWayne) Glover.

Holding cherished memories of Larry are his loving and caring wife of 41 years, Dorothea; sons Roger Johnson and Mark (Brenda) Johnson both of Wadena; step-children, Linda Brown, and Jeanette (Jim Walter) Hall both of Wadena, Joanne (Richard) Vareberg of Detroit Lakes, and Bob (Susanne) Countryman of Olympia, WA; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; along with friends and former co-workers.

Honorary urn bearers will be Larry's grandchildren.

Military honors will be provided by the Elmer Goche Post 3922, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Wadena, MN.

Burial will be in Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

Franklin Drive & 5th St. SW
Wadena, MN 56482

Previous Events

Gathering of Family & Friends

APR 7. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
Wadena, MN 56482
(218) 631-3632

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Larry Johnson*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - April 05, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *Lucille Belch & Jack Belch lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson*



Lucille Belch & Jack Belch - April 07, 2022 at 09:55 AM



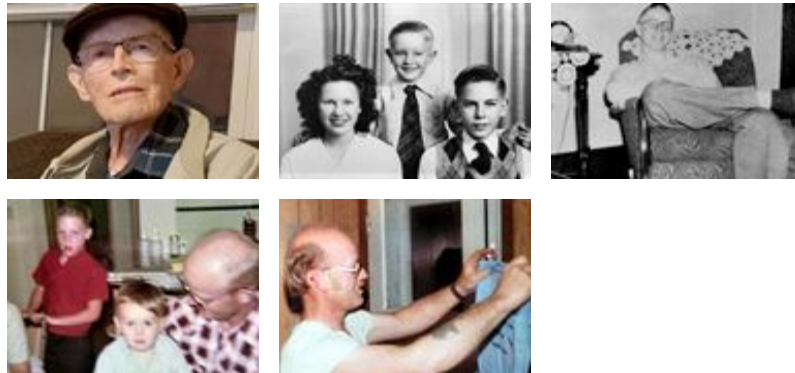
“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Larry Johnson.*



April 06, 2022 at 10:12 AM



“ 47 files added to the album Life Tributes



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - April 05, 2022 at 10:10 AM

LM

“ Lynn Myer purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Larry Johnson.



Lynn Myer - April 01, 2022 at 09:52 PM

LM

“ My dear favorite cousin, what will I do without you...not ever hearing your voice again. Sixty plus years we had of our family history and now no one to reminisce with and share those special times. You knew you were very special to me and just knowing that makes it easier to let you move on... My heart hurts and you are so missed...
Lynn Myer



Lynn Myer - April 01, 2022 at 09:39 PM

MS

“ Mike And Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Mike and Lea Snyder - March 31, 2022 at 09:38 AM



“ Mike Ortmann lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Mike Ortmann - March 30, 2022 at 10:42 PM

CF

“ Always a smile. I never heard him say a bad thing about anyone. Great guy! Will really be missed!

Craig Folkestad - March 30, 2022 at 07:37 PM

DS

“ Donna & Dan Sartell lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Donna & Dan Sartell - March 30, 2022 at 11:03 AM

PK

“ Larry was an awesome guy, always there to lend a helping hand, he was one of my favorite custodians at the Wadena school, always watching out for all of us ,Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family at this time of Great Loss



Paulette Anderson Kern - March 29, 2022 at 06:28 AM

AP

Larry was an exceptional friend to me and a year ahead of me in school. I am pleased to know he lived a full life with his wife and family. Thank you Larry for your friendship. Wishing Larry's wife and family peace at this sad time. My prayers for each of you. 🙏❤️ Audrey Petersen

Audrey M Petersen - March 30, 2022 at 11:07 AM

JB

“ Oh, Larry, I am going to miss visiting with you and solving all the world problems. Thank you for all the years you devoted to our students at Wadena High School as the head custodian. You always found time to share your expertise with us in the district office. You wanted us to think you were so stern, but we could always make you smile and laugh. Those were good times to remember. I am planning to see you again someday. Rest in peace, Larry.



Joyce Boyne - March 28, 2022 at 07:47 PM

GC

“ Gary And Marcy Collins lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Gary and Marcy Collins - March 28, 2022 at 07:51 AM

CR

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family, Larry was a great pool of knowledge when I started at the HS, he passed on the wealth of knowledge he had for the workings of the HS building as well as life in general. Larry was just an overall great guy, I will never forget him. Curt and Bonnie Rentz

Curt and Bonnie Rentz - March 28, 2022 at 07:13 AM

SB

“ Sharon Boline lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Sharon Boline - March 27, 2022 at 06:25 PM

JA

“ Sending my sympathy to Larry’s Family....I worked with Larry when I was the School Nurse at WDC. I remember how he would act so serious about his job, but then turn around and play a joke, making us laugh. He was a hard worker and always eager to help out whenever he could. May you always cherish your wonderful memories you have of Larry,
Janet Mattson



Janet - March 27, 2022 at 05:36 PM

MM

“ Larry was one of the few people that gave us girls a tip at the A @ W He was a regular customer.

May his soul rest in peace.
Marge Mohs-Harrison



Marge Mohs-- - March 27, 2022 at 09:36 AM

JU

“ John Uselman lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



John Uselman - March 26, 2022 at 10:09 PM

MP

“ *Morris & Karen Priebe lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson*



Morris & Karen Priebe - March 26, 2022 at 08:02 PM

MA

“ *Mary Ann lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson*



Mary Ann - March 26, 2022 at 05:29 PM

IB

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time. Jerry and Irene Baron*



Irene & Jerry Baron - March 26, 2022 at 03:51 PM

MF

“ *Marie Fraune lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson*



marie fraune - March 26, 2022 at 01:18 PM

RJ

“ Russ Andrews Jr. lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Russ Andrews Jr. - March 26, 2022 at 12:47 PM

RJ

“ Larry was a great man and a wonderful friend to my father for many many, years, In fact he was my dads best friend since the late 60's early 70's when my dad was hired at the school district. Larry did many things and little jobs for my dad that need to be done, Larry was always there for my dad, thick, thin, always there for each other and had along friendship. He was good to my dad and for that over the years, I am thankful for Larry. As for me, I have many good memories of Larry Johnson. Riding on the buffer machine at the high school when I was a kid, going over to Larry's house through the years, having chats with him and my dad, laughing telling stories, joking around. it was great fun for me as a kid!!! I have more memories as well, but them are just a few. As time marched on I kind of lost touch with Larry over the years when I grew up, I would think of Larry from time to time and always herd through my dad what he was doing now and then. My heart goes out to his family, my prayers as well, I feel a loss in my heart as well !!! for losing a great man and a good friend of the family. Thank you Larry!! May god comfort you and be with you and his two boys Mrs. Johnson.

Russ Andrews Jr - March 26, 2022 at 12:26 PM

RJ

“ Russ Andrews Jr lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Russ Andrews Jr - March 26, 2022 at 11:42 AM

RJ

“ Russ Andrews Jr. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Larry Johnson.



Russ Andrews Jr. - March 26, 2022 at 11:37 AM

JE

“ Judy Erdahl lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Judy Erdahl - March 26, 2022 at 10:04 AM

RJ

“ Larry dearly missed his brother, Bob and sister Beverly after they died. Now he is back with them and enjoying that reunion. May they all rest in peace and may God give comfort to his remaining family.

Rose Johnson - March 26, 2022 at 09:21 AM

GC

“ Gladys Hansen Chase lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Gladys Hansen Chase - March 26, 2022 at 09:14 AM

AA

“ My sympathy to each of you for your loss. Larry was a great guy and good friend to Russ. They worked together for years and when Russ' health was failing Larry spent many hours visiting him and doing little things around our house to help out. He will be missed.



Arllys Andrews - March 26, 2022 at 08:01 AM

Ben Tellers

“ Ben Tellers lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Ben Tellers - March 26, 2022 at 07:17 AM

DH

“ Darrell & Peggy Haman lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson



Darrell & Peggy Haman - March 25, 2022 at 11:29 PM

JJ

“ *Jon Johnson lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson*



Jon Johnson - March 25, 2022 at 10:24 PM

DU

“ *I always enjoyed being around Larry from the time I was in high school and he was the head custodian to the time he was delivering hashbrowns for me at Golden Russet. He was always kind, pleasant, and kept a positive attitude. My thoughts and prayers to Dorthea and the family, Larry was a great guy and will be missed by so many!*

Dean Uselman - March 25, 2022 at 08:58 PM

BB

“ *Betty Barr lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson*



Betty Barr - March 25, 2022 at 06:34 PM

GW

“ *Glen Donna Wood lit a candle in memory of Larry Johnson*



Glen Donna Wood - March 25, 2022 at 06:02 PM

BS

“ *Bonnie Schlecht lit a candle in memory of
Larry Johnson* ”



Bonnie Schlecht - March 25, 2022 at 05:34 PM