



Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.

June 19, 1940 - April 22, 2022

It is with deep sorrow that Mrs. Janice DuBose Johnson announces the death of her beloved husband, William Franklin "Billy" Johnson, Sr, 81.

Mr. Johnson passed away peacefully this morning, Friday, April 22, 2022, at his residence. The Directors of Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home & Crematory are caring for the family.

A graveside funeral service to honor his life will be held at 11 o'clock on Monday, April 25, 2022, at Westview Memorial Park Cemetery, where he will be laid to rest in the West Portico of the Mausoleum. The Rev. David Spears and The Rev. Phil Watry will officiate. The family will receive friends from 3:00 until 6:00 pm on Sunday, April 24, 2022, at the residence, 817 W. Home Avenue, Hartsville, SC.

Memorials may be made in his honor to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Mr. Johnson was born in Hartsville, SC, on June 19, 1940, the son of the late Ebby Elbert Johnson and Louise Williamson Johnson. He was a member of New Market United Methodist Church for 35 years. Billy worked at Sonoco Products Corporation for 41 years and was a member of the Sonoco Old Timer's Club. He had a

passion for cooking and sharing the fruits of his labor with others, and he passed on that love of cooking to his grandson, Josh Shumate.

He is survived by his loving wife, Janice DuBose Johnson of Hartsville, SC; daughter, Gela (Jimmy) Shumate of Hartsville, SC; son, Bill (Rhonda) Johnson of Hartsville, SC; grandchildren, Josh (Alexis) Shumate of Hartsville, SC, Zach (Gina) Shumate of Hartsville, SC, Conner Johnson of Hartsville, SC; great-grandchildren, Sophia Shumate, Stella Shumate, Carson Shumate, Ryder Shumate; sister, Delores Johnson Campbell of Hartsville, SC; sister-in-law, Brenda (Runt) Grooms of Hartsville, SC; brother-in-law, Bobby DuBose of Hartsville, SC; brother-in-law, Johnny Lawhon of Hartsville, SC; his lifelong friend whom he considered family, Rev. David Spears of Columbia, SC.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Judy Lawhon; aunt, Emmie Gilbert Catoe.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **24.** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

The Johnson Residence
817 W. Home Avenue
Hartsville, SC 29550

Graveside

APR **25.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Westview Memorial Park Cemetery
2223 Kelletown Road
Hartsville, SC 29550
info@bpafuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

SR

“ I was saddened to hear of Billy's passing. I have fond memories of him from years past. My parents always spoke very highly of him. I'm sending love and prayers to the family at this time. God bless you.
Susan D. Reynolds

Susan Reynolds - May 12, 2022 at 11:44 PM



“ Linda W. Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Linda W. Gainey - April 28, 2022 at 01:01 PM

JT

“ Johnny & Sheila S. Tolson lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Johnny & Sheila S. Tolson - April 27, 2022 at 08:10 PM

KC

“ Dear Johnson family, We're sorry to hear of your loss. Praying for you during this difficult time. Betty K. Bryant and Kim Bryant Clanton

Kim Clanton - April 26, 2022 at 08:49 PM

MJ

“ Mike Josey lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Mike Josey - April 26, 2022 at 08:13 PM

CW

“ Caleb Winburn lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Caleb Winburn - April 26, 2022 at 03:49 PM

PA

“ Billy was always so friendly and full of good conversation and interest in many things! Tim and I will miss seeing him. We are so sorry for your loss.

Penny and Tim Anthony

Penny Anthony - April 26, 2022 at 10:33 AM

CG

“ Chrystal Gandy lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Chrystal Gandy - April 26, 2022 at 06:49 AM

BN

“ *Janice, Barry and I are so sorry. We are praying for comfort for you during this time.*

Barry and Charlene Nelson - April 25, 2022 at 06:08 PM

GB

“ *Janice, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I am sorry that I missed the visitation and will also missed the funeral as I am out of town. Billy was such a wonderful person and an outstanding cook/baker. In addition, the conversation when My sons, sister or friend Charles or I went to pick up was so enjoyable. We have do many great memories. Thank you for sharing Billy with all of us. Gloria Bell*



Gloria Mack Bell - April 25, 2022 at 07:57 AM



Jeanette Blackmon

“ *Jeanette Blackmon lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Jeanette Blackmon - April 24, 2022 at 07:03 PM

FR

“ *FrancesGriggs lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



FrancesGriggs - April 24, 2022 at 03:56 PM

JG

“ *Jewel Waltera Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Jewel Waltera Gibson - April 24, 2022 at 03:08 PM

CG

“ *Carrol Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Carrol Gainey - April 24, 2022 at 02:14 PM

CG

“ *Carrol Gaziney lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Carrol Gaziney - April 24, 2022 at 02:12 PM

JL

“ *Prayers for the family*



judy and Marion Lane - April 24, 2022 at 01:51 PM

DK

“ *Diane Kerzner lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Diane Kerzner - April 24, 2022 at 12:43 PM

SR

“ *Sedell Rowe lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Sedell Rowe - April 24, 2022 at 07:36 AM

BM

“ *Billie McManus lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Billie McManus - April 24, 2022 at 07:33 AM

EB

“ *Eric Boykin lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Eric Boykin - April 23, 2022 at 10:16 PM

TF

“ *The Webb Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



The Webb Family - April 23, 2022 at 09:44 PM

SH

“ *Sandra And Larry Huggins lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Sandra and Larry Huggins - April 23, 2022 at 06:02 PM

DM

“ *Doug And Scarlett Mason lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Doug and Scarlett Mason - April 23, 2022 at 06:02 PM

SA

“ *Sara Robbins Alexandere lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Sara Robbins Alexandere - April 23, 2022 at 04:19 PM

JM

“ *joan McCoy*



joan mccoey - April 23, 2022 at 03:37 PM

DD

“ *So sorry or your. loss, love, hugs and prayers as you go through the days ahead. May God give you peace and grace. Dale Davis*



Dale Davis - April 23, 2022 at 03:07 PM

AB

“ *Amy Blackburn lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Amy Blackburn - April 23, 2022 at 02:51 PM

SS

“ *Scarlet And Mark Shealy lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Scarlet and Mark Shealy - April 23, 2022 at 01:47 PM

CC

“ *Christel Copeland lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Christel Copeland - April 23, 2022 at 12:41 PM

AS

“ *Angela & Bill Stokes lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Angela & Bill Stokes - April 23, 2022 at 12:11 PM

ST

“ *Sarah Turbeville lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Sarah Turbeville - April 23, 2022 at 10:28 AM

BB

“ *Brian Bedenbaugh lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Brian Bedenbaugh - April 23, 2022 at 09:51 AM

SC

“ Susan Clemmons lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Susan Clemmons - April 23, 2022 at 08:27 AM

PC

“ Paul Cannarella lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Paul Cannarella - April 23, 2022 at 08:00 AM

DS

“ Our sincere condolences to Janice and the family, our thoughts and prayers are with you 🙏

Danny and Phoebe Stokes - April 23, 2022 at 07:51 AM

RB

“ Renee And Wally Bock lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Renee and Wally Bock - April 23, 2022 at 07:48 AM

LE

“ *Larry Jen Easterling lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Larry Jen Easterling - April 23, 2022 at 07:35 AM

KG

“ *Mr. Bill was one of those men that everyone he come in contact with, he loved and we loved him. He will be missed so much, but my comfort is he no longer is hurting, God has this man .*

Ken & Gay - April 23, 2022 at 07:23 AM

KG

“ *Ken & Gay lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Ken & Gay - April 23, 2022 at 07:20 AM

KJ

“ *Karen Jeffords lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Karen Jeffords - April 23, 2022 at 01:47 AM

CG

“ *Connee Grantham lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Connee Grantham - April 23, 2022 at 12:08 AM

CM

“ *Crystal Minnehan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Crystal Minnehan - April 22, 2022 at 11:35 PM

JB

“ *Johnny And Suzanne Beasley lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Johnny and Suzanne Beasley - April 22, 2022 at 10:42 PM

BT

“ *Becky Tidwell lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Becky Tidwell - April 22, 2022 at 09:45 PM

RF

“ *Rebecca Skinner & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Rebecca Skinner & Family - April 22, 2022 at 09:40 PM

RS

“ *Janice & Family, I was so sorry to hear about Billy. I love you and your family very much. You are in my prayers. Love, Rose Stevens & Family*



Rose Stevens - April 22, 2022 at 09:26 PM

JB

“ *So sorry for your loss, sending hugs and prayers 🤔🙏*

Jill Beckham - April 22, 2022 at 09:03 PM

PL

“ *RIP Uncle Billy!! Prayers for the whole family!!*



Paula Lawhon - April 22, 2022 at 09:00 PM

JG

“ Jimmy And Judy Gainey sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Jimmy and Judy gainey - April 22, 2022 at 08:27 PM

DS

“ Janice & Family, we are so sorry for your loss. We loved Billy he was such a wonderful friend and we are so glad for all the precious memories we have of him. I pray God will comfort each one of you today and all the day's ahead. He sure will be missed by all that knew and loved him. fly high my friend to we meet again.



David & Gloria Shoemake@yahoo.com - April 22, 2022 at 06:47 PM

JB

“ Jo Bailey lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Jo Bailey - April 22, 2022 at 06:44 PM

LT

“ Linda Thompson lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Linda Thompson - April 22, 2022 at 06:39 PM

K5

“ Kathryn Kelley Roscoe(class Of 58) lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Kathryn Kelley Roscoe(class of 58) - April 22, 2022 at 06:37 PM

FM

“ Frances & Bubba Morrison lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Frances & Bubba Morrison - April 22, 2022 at 06:07 PM

FM

“ Frances & Bubba Morrison lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.



Frances & Bubba Morrison - April 22, 2022 at 06:06 PM

BB

“ So sorry to hear of Billy's passing. Love chatting with him through the years. All my love and prayers for this special family.
Betty Jeffords Broach

Betty Jeffords Broach - April 22, 2022 at 05:38 PM

BS

“ *Bill Sherrill lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Bill Sherrill - April 22, 2022 at 05:37 PM

LS

“ *Lavonde Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Lavonde Smith - April 22, 2022 at 05:31 PM

RJ

“ *Ricky And Marlene Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Franklin "Billy" Johnson Sr.*



Ricky and Marlene Johnson - April 22, 2022 at 04:40 PM