CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF 101 YEAR OLD

ROY
M. JOHNSON, SR.

DECEMBER 9, 1922 - AUGUST 29, 2024

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024

10:00 A.M. VIEWING | 11:00 A.M. SERVICE

FROM THE HEART CHURCH MINISTRIES.

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BISHOP JOHN A. CHERRY, II - PASTOR

OBITUARY

Roy Marshall Johnson, Sr., a centenarian, was born on December 9, 1922, in Lincolnton, Georgia, to the late Pete F. Johnson and Eula Mae Johnson. Early on the morning of Thursday, August 29, 2024, at his residence, the Lord Jesus Christ called him home.

Roy, the second of ten children (five boys and five girls), grew up in a loving, caring Christian home where he and his siblings were taught the importance of a good spiritual foundation. At an early age, he joined and was baptized at Mount Zion Baptist Church in Lincolnton. He graduated from Lincolnton Colored High School (currently Lincoln County Training School) in 1941.

As a young man, Roy was drafted into the United States Army in 1943. He served on active duty during World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. It was in the Korean War (while serving as a medic) that he sustained traumatic injury to his left arm and body. He ultimately was transported back to the United States for further medical treatment and physical therapy at Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC). After recuperating, he completed a Physical Medicine Technician's Course (Occupational Therapy) at Brooke Army Hospital in Fort Sam Houston, Texas and subsequently returned to WRAMC to work as an amputee demonstrator for other wounded veterans. After serving fifteen honorable years in the Army, he retired from WRAMC with the rank of Sergeant First Class. Roy received many awards during his military service, including the Purple Heart, the National Defense Service Medal, a World War II Victory Medal, the Army of Occupation Medal (Japan), the American Campaign Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the Korean Service Medal with five bronze stars, and the Good Conduct Medal with three loops, just to name a few.

After Roy's military service, he decided to further his education by enrolling in the District of Columbia Teachers College and Howard University to pursue a degree in business and marketing. Additionally, he received his real estate licenses in the state of Maryland and Washington, D.C. Subsequently, he worked in civil service at Saint Elizabeths Psychiatric Hospital as an occupational health supervisor, and at the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare in various capacities. He retired from civil service after more than 25 years.

Realizing a time to love, Roy was united in holy matrimony to the late Willa Belle Johnson on June 16, 1968. Through this union, Roy and Willa were blessed with sons, Roy M. Johnson, Jr. and Ramon "Mark" Johnson.

Roy and his family began attending From the Heart Church Ministries in 1983, which ultimately led to the entire family joining. On June 11, 2003, after 35 years of marriage, the Lord Jesus Christ called his beloved Willa home.

Roy truly loved his family. As a loving husband and dedicated father, he often made sacrifices, unbeknownst to his family, that were later acknowledged by friends and other family members.

Roy leaves to cherish his memory loving and devoted sons, Roy M. Johnson, Jr. (Andrea) and Ramon M. Johnson; grandchildren: Roy M. Johnson III, Rikyra M. Johnson, and Raina M. Johnson; sister, Dorothy Clark of Augusta, Georgia; as well as his nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family, and kind neighbors who loved him and will truly miss him and his impact on their lives.

Roy was preceded in death by his siblings: Rebecca Johnson, Naomi Williams, Rosa M. Johnson, Elease J. Smith, William H. Johnson, Frank W. Johnson, Pete Johnson, and Walter Johnson.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Invocation

Congregational Hymn "What a Friend We Have In Jesus"

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 23

New Testament: Philippians 4:4-9

Prayer of Comfort

Selection......FTH Psalmist

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Ms. Rikyra M. Johnson - Granddaughter
Mr. Roy M. Johnson, III - Grandson
Mrs. Andrea D. Johnson - Daughter-in-law
Mr. Roy M. Johnson, Jr. - Son

Obituary (Read Silently)

Song of Preparation FTH Psalmist

Call to Christ

Recessional

Interment

Arlington National Cemetery

1 Memorial Drive | Arlington, Virginia 22211
(The burial date is forthcoming)

FAMILY SENTIMENTS



Look what you did.

You created a family. You led us and taught us with your wisdom, encouragement, and patience.

Look what you did.

You always brought calmness to your home with your gentle demeaner and strong spirit. Without even trying, you had a natural way of making us laugh.

Look what you did.

You loved Mama.

You loved us. You corrected us when we got out of line. From time to time, we tried to hide things from you, but you calmly and cleverly let us know you knew what was going on!

Daddy, look what you did.

You taught us to treat others with kindness and respect, and to let our actions speak for us. You never had to say much. We just watched you and learned. You showed us the importance of maintaining good character.

You even passed on your soft brown eyes to your children and grandchildren!

You are our true example of a man who loved his family. A man of outstanding character. Thank you for leaving an everlasting deposit for us.

We love you, Daddy.



CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

What a Friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry, Everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry, Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness: Take it to the Lord in Prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our Refuge Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

Amen



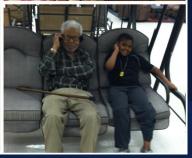














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The entire Johnson family sincerely thanks all of you for your prayers, comfort, love and support. Your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us.

May the Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you in perfect peace!

Special thanks to Bishop John A. Cherry, II and Reverend LaWanda Cherry for their encouragement, wisdom, love, and always teaching the uncompromised Word of God. Our close family and friends for every act of kindness, deeds of consolation and love. Our From the Heart Church Ministries Family for the tremendous outpouring of love, support, and prayers.

CONTRIBUTIONS

The family requests that further expressions of sympathy be made "In memory of Roy M. Johnson, Sr." in the form of contributions to From the Heart Church Ministries - Health and Healing Ministry.

PALLBEARERS

Marty Friend, Demond Johnson, Garrett Johnson, David Taybron, Major Wells, and David Wray

FLOWER BEARERS

Family and Friends

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