

*A Celebration of Praise and
Thanksgiving for the Life
of*



Mr. Ivan Johnson, Sr.

*Sunrise
June 20, 1928*

*Sunset
December 10, 2017*

Wednesday, December 20, 2017

CHRISTIAN BRETHERN OF LETHEM

Lethem, Guyana

Pastor Ronald Charles, Officiating

Reflections of Life

Mr. Ivan Johnson Sr. was born on June 20th 1928 at #28 Village West Coast Berbice, to the late Simeon and Florence Johnson. He was the first of twelve children.

In 1946, young Ivan journeyed to the Rupununi in search of employment to support his parents and younger siblings. In his early years, among them to earn a Government scholarship to attend the Government Technical Institute in Georgetown. Upon completion of his scholarship, Ivan assumed the position of Manager of the Lethem Power Str employment, he secured a job as the “Runner Boy” for the Governor of Lethem. This job allowed him, a position he held for many years until his retirement in 1989.

During his very adventurous years, Ivan met his first wife Hilda Sears in Annai. Their marriage produced six loving children before dissolving. Ivan then met his second wife Gloria Chan in Georgetown and this matrimony produced four more loving children.

In the 1960s, with his partner, Retired Corporal of the Guyana Police Force, Arthur Bobb, the two friends will become business partners and join forces to develop and manage a small business commonly referred to then as “Bobb Shop”. In 1973 the partners ventured further into the business world, specifically into the Hotel industry and was able to give rise to another small family business they named “Takutu Guest House”. Following his retirement, Ivan focused his time and efforts on the welfare of his family and building his businesses.

On December 10th, 2017, Ivan took his place in the arms of his Lord and Savior, at the Roraima General Hospital, Boa Vista, Brazil.

To cherish his precious memories, and preserve his legacy, Ivan leaves his wife Gloria Johnson, nine children: Edna Rodney, Desiree Hamilton, Joyce Sears, Loretta Johnson, Glen Johnson, Albert Johnson, Morsha Johnson-Francis, Ivan Johnson Jr, and Marlon Johnson. Two sisters; Margaret Nestor and Hulda Johnson and brother Winston Johnson; many nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Ivan Johnson Senior, the patriarch of the Johnson’s family touched the lives of many in so many ways. He was loved dearly and respected tremendously by his family and friends. He will always be remembered for his love for family, integrity, humility, discipline, charm, compassion and hard working nature.

Ivan was a life-long member of the Christian Brethren Church of Lethem. His work on this earth is completed. He fought a good fight and now may his gentle soul rest in perfect peace and rise in glory..

Order of Service

WelcomeChairman: Royston Fitzpatrick
Opening Hymn..... “How Great Thou Art”
Prayer.....Brother John Yow
Song.....by PCYF “Where Could I Go But To The Lord”
Scripture Reading: Psalm 48:14 Ms. Bonita Pollard -Granddaughter
Favorite Hymn of the Deceased..... “He Hideth My Soul”
Scripture Reading: 2 Cor: 5:6-8: Jacqueline Semple- Niece
Obituary..... Ms. Edna Johnson – Daughter
Tributes.....Family & Friends
Special Tribute.....Ms. Caroline Charles -“Don’t Loose Faith”
Eulogy..... Brother Terry Boston
Sermon:Pastor Ronald Charles
Song.....“It is well with my soul”
Benediction.....Pastor Ronald Charles
Final Viewing

Interment

Bon Success Cemetery

Graveside Songs:

- “Precious Memories”
- “Some Bright Morning When This Life Is Over”
- “When The Roll Is Call Up Yonder”



Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Mr. Ivan A. Johnson, Sr.** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!



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