

IN LOVING MEMORY OF



*Larry Johnson*

Sunrise  
February 28, 1943

Sunset  
March 30, 2021

Saturday, April 10, 2021 - 9:30 am

**A Better Life Ministry**  
129 Linden Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey 07305  
Elder Javar Richardson, Pastor  
Elder Jarneil Frazier, Eulogist

# *Obituary*

**Larry Johnson** was born on February 28, 1943, in Claxton, GA to Gussie Mae Johnson and Moses Johnson. On Tuesday, March 30, 2021, in Jersey City, NJ, he made his transition from his earthly body and went to live on with his Heavenly Father.

Larry received his formal education from Evans County Elementary School and graduated from Tattnall County High School in 1962 in Claxton, GA. He moved to Jersey City, NJ in 1967 where shortly after he married Rosa Johnson and they shared a lifelong 53 years of marriage. Larry spent the majority of his career as a Truck Driver for Garden State Trucking in Bayonne, NJ and Carlstadt, NJ. Closer to retirement, he worked in Maintenance for The Jersey City Housing Authority in Jersey City, NJ until he retired in 2007.

Larry was a loving and kind hearted husband and such a giving and caring father and grandfather. He was a quiet, humble, hardworking and laid back man. There was nothing he wouldn't do for his family. He was a great provider, teacher and listener. He found a way to make sure the family was always taken care of and had everything they needed. He lived a wonderful life with no regrets. He worked very hard, and played very hard. He enjoyed sitting back watching TV. He loved basketball, football and baseball, or old black and white Western movies. He appreciated a great work life balance. He loved to relax and reveled in thoroughly reading the newspaper for hours almost every day.

Larry leaves to cherish his treasured memories to his adoring wife Rosa Johnson, children James Johnson (Pamela Benjamin), Leon Johnson (Renee Anderson), Yolanda Johnson (Alvis Rivera), Sarena Johnson, & Larry Johnson Jr. (Elizabeth Pimentel-Johnson). Grandchildren; Deon, Tiara, TyAsia, Tariq, Tyrese, Eleeze, Sasha, Shyteonna, Shytavion, Cedronica, Miguel & Roberto. Great Grandchildren; Razel & Razhir. Larry is also survived by his loving Sisters Ruby Dell Slater (the late, Felton Slater), Willie Mae Wilson (Moses Wilson), Dorothy Butler (Albert Butler), Betty Smith (the late Earnest Lee Smith). His Brother, Johnny Johnson. He is preceded in death by his parents, Moses and Gussie Mae Johnson, His brother Sylvester Johnson, and waiting with open arms his sweet daughter Yvonne Sanders-Johnson (the late Bobby Lee Sanders Jr.) A host of cousins, nieces, nephews and other family and friends.

Larry was loved by so many and touched so many with his acts of kindness and helpfulness. He will forever be missed but his lessons in life, kindness, thoughtfulness, respect, dignity and manhood will live on through his children and grandchildren.

# *Order of Service*

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Processional

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Remarks

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Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

**Final Repose**

Rosehill Cemetery  
Linden, New Jersey

## **Praise from Wife...**

They say that it can't rain forever,

But they never talk about how it feels when the sunshine ends.

How the world seems to stop when that last breath is taken.

How undying hope ends in a mess.

How everyone seems to fall apart, even though you're no longer suffering.

You were so significant in the lives of many,

But even more special in the depths of my heart.

Instead of being sad that you are gone,

I will celebrate your 78 years of life.

I will remember love and laughter.

I will relish in having the opportunity to have spent 53 years being your wife.

For better or worse,

For richer or poor.

Until death do us part.

To loving you yesterday, today, tomorrow, and beyond

Until we meet again.

With Love,

Rose



# GRANDCHILDREN TRIBUTE...

It's never "goodbye", only "See you later"  
So I'll ask God for just one last favor  
Open up those pearly gates,  
With only sunshine  
Offer him the fluffiest white robe  
A little piece of paradise should be fine.

Please have a crowd of every familiar face he knows,  
All of the family and friends that he had to let go.  
Give him the strength he no longer had on earth,  
The ability to walk and talk with conviction,  
Y'know, a heaven-like rebirth.  
I hope he finds peace in that,  
Just provide him with an abundance of comfort,  
Since you can't give him back.

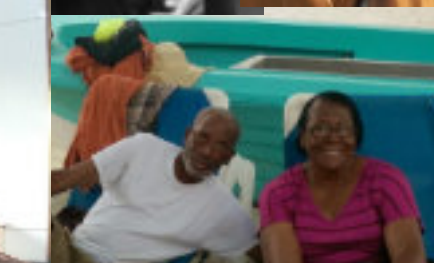
There's no preparation for times like this,  
Longing for just one last laugh or a cheeky kiss.  
The hearty laughs are what I'll miss.  
To know you're gone, there's truly no words for it.

The memories you'll leave behind,  
Pop, you were truly one of a kind.  
So quiet, but yet such a profound presence.  
Today is for you,  
A church full of celebration and reverence.  
I'll try not to cry for now,  
I know you'd want me to smile.  
So I won't say "goodbye", only "See you later"

Love,  
Tiara Monae

Pop, I just don't have the words to express the fact you are gone. You were our only grandfather and an amazing soul, and you lived a very long life. You fought so many battles with your health, and put up a good fight! Sorry you couldn't reunite with all of us like you wanted, but wherever you are, I hope you're in a better place. We love you and will make you very proud!

Love,  
Tariq & Tyrese





# *When tomorrow Starts Without Me*

When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see if the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with tears for me. I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today, while thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, as much as I love you, and each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too. But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand that an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand and said, "my place was ready, in heaven far above and that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love." But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me, from His great golden throne. He said "This is eternity, and all I've promised you." Today for life on earth is past, but here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, for today will always last. And since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past. So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart. For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.

*-Author unknown*

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