

Bruce Johnson

September 26, 1931 - October 3, 2019

Mr. Bruce Johnson, 88, of Newland, NC, passed away on Thursday, October 3, 2019, surrounded by his sons, at 4:30am at the Watauga Medical Center in Boone, NC.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jeter Johnson and Louise Hughes Johnson of the Hughes Community; one daughter, Tami Elaine Johnson ; one brother, Bobby Johnson; and two sisters, Bernice Johnson Fowler and Nell Johnson Wetmore.

Bruce is survived by his wife of 61 years Jean Ellis Johnson, of the home; four sons, Bruce (Mercy) Johnson, of Port Charlotte, FL; Greg Johnson, of Marlinton, WV; Kenny (Tammy) Johnson, of Newland, NC; and Alan (Julie) Johnson, of Linville, NC; and one sister, Mary Lou Johnson Banner, of Linville, NC. Bruce leaves to cherish his memory, seven grandchildren; MaKenna, Kadynn, Kyleigh, Avery, Braydon, Hallie, and Luke; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A veteran of the United States Army, he went on to hold many occupations, of which driving a truck became his primary job. His most memorable years of driving a truck was for Mike and Tom Aldridge. He also enjoyed playing bluegrass music on his fiddle and gardening. One of his fondest memories of playing music was performing with the legendary Bill Monroe. While logging the miles from coast to coast, he often entertained others playing the fiddle along the way. Bruce even passed his talents and skills to his children and grandchildren who love and follow in his musical footsteps. He was often seen working in his tomatoes and on his lawn mower. Bruce was reared in the Hughes Presbyterian Church, of the Hughes Community, and in later life, attended the Emmanuel Baptist Church, of Newland, NC. He leaves his friends and family with treasured memories and a faith that sustains them in the knowledge of his place with God.

A private family service will follow at a later time.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given Hospice & Palliative Care of the Blue Ridge, 236 Hospital Drive, Spruce Pine, NC, 28777. The Family wishes to express their sincerest

appreciation to the many friends who visited him, and the nurses, doctors, and staff of Hospice for the kind and attentive care.

Words of Comfort and Memories may be shared with the Johnson family by visiting our website www.rsfh.net

The care of Bruce and his family has been entrusted to Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home of Newland.

(828) 733-2121

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home - October 04, 2019 at 05:55 PM



“ Praying for you all. So sorry for your loss.

Robert South - October 04, 2019 at 07:36 PM



“ We were blessed to have known Bruce, Jean and their four wonderful sons. We will always consider them to be "family". The talent and good looks could have made Bruce a millionaire, however, his legacy is worth more than money could buy. We love you all.

Ruth Taylor - October 04, 2019 at 09:08 PM



“ What a beautiful tribute. I will always cherish the time I called him neighbor and friend. And also one of the best fiddlers I have ever heard. And I have heard many. Rest in peace friend. Love and prayers to the family. Keep those memories close to your heart, they will comfort you.

Susan - October 05, 2019 at 12:49 PM



“ Uncle Bruce will be sorely missed. Just remember, its not good bye but I'll see ya later...Praying that we have been able to get some rest and also read Isaiah 26:3.Praying for the family...

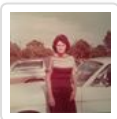
Frank Evans - October 06, 2019 at 11:53 AM



“ What a wonderful tribute to your dad. He was clearly loved and blessed with a wonderful family. All the best as you heal.

Cindy Wohlleb

Cindy Wohlleb - October 10, 2019 at 07:47 PM



“ I never met this WONDERFUL man, but feel so blessed to know his wife, Jean and his musical sons Kenny and Alan... He left a GREAT legacy and for that many, many of us are so grateful..

Gerry Knam-Mullen - October 14, 2019 at 07:26 PM



“ Lisa Harmon lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Lisa Harmon - October 13, 2019 at 07:06 PM



“ Dearest Family, I am so sorry. I know the pain of losing a loved one. I pray God is with you in a very special way during this time and in the days to come. I remember coming to your home years ago for a cook out and I felt nothing but love there and felt so welcome. With Love & Sympathy,
Mary Gragg Grindstaff

Mary Gragg Grindstaff - October 10, 2019 at 08:33 PM



“ Bill, Duana, Tiffany, Mike, Gus, and Curtis. purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Bruce Johnson.



Bill, Duana, Tiffany, Mike, Gus, and Curtis. - October 08, 2019 at 01:53 PM



“ From Nancy Wetmore and Family purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Bruce Johnson.



From Nancy Wetmore and Family - October 06, 2019 at 07:07 AM



“ Lisa Stamey sent a virtual gift in memory of Bruce Johnson



Lisa Stamey - October 05, 2019 at 10:59 PM



“ Dallas & Geneva Pate lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Dallas & Geneva Pate - October 05, 2019 at 11:23 AM



“ Jennette Calvert lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Jennette Calvert - October 05, 2019 at 08:57 AM



“ Judy McKee Norris lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Judy McKee Norris - October 05, 2019 at 08:37 AM



“ Tammy Beale- Haas lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Tammy Beale- Haas - October 05, 2019 at 05:35 AM



“ Katina Street lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Katina Street - October 04, 2019 at 11:20 PM



“ I will always cherish my memories of Bruce. He would ride his lawn mower out to bring me tomatoes and cuttings from his beautiful flowers. He always had a funny story for me. I send my love and condolences to the family.

Robbin Trice - October 04, 2019 at 11:04 PM



“ Michael Bradley lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Michael Bradley - October 04, 2019 at 10:58 PM



“ Joe & Alcie Sturgill lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Joe & Alcie Sturgill - October 04, 2019 at 09:23 PM



“ Ken And Barbara Staton lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Ken and Barbara Staton - October 04, 2019 at 09:12 PM



“ Dallas & Geneva Pate lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Dallas & Geneva Pate - October 04, 2019 at 08:50 PM



“ Robert And Sheila Vance sent a virtual gift in memory of Bruce Johnson



robert and sheila vance - October 04, 2019 at 07:57 PM



“ Trena Johnson lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Trena Johnson - October 04, 2019 at 07:48 PM



“ 47 files added to the album LifeTributes



Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home - October 04, 2019 at 05:53 PM



“ Linda & David Cuthbertson lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Linda & David Cuthbertson - October 04, 2019 at 05:13 PM



“ Robin Gwyn Bowers sent a virtual gift in memory of Bruce Johnson



Robin Gwyn Bowers - October 04, 2019 at 04:47 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Love you bunches Hallie and Luke. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Love Mrs. Susan, Traley, and the Clawson family.



Susan Clawson - October 04, 2019 at 02:49 PM



“ Jerri Cuthbertson lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Jerri Cuthbertson - October 04, 2019 at 02:18 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss may God give you peace and comfort in the days to come. Rest high on that mountain with all the heavenly angels.



Anita Mckinney - October 04, 2019 at 01:04 PM



“ Randy And Susie Church lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Randy and Susie Church - October 04, 2019 at 12:47 PM



“ I grew up playing music with Bruce and loved him dearly. I learned a lot from him as I was a young guitar player. I will miss him but will see him again. God bless.....Gary W Willis

Gary Willis - October 04, 2019 at 12:38 PM



“ Bobby & Sabo Franklin lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Bobby & Sabo Franklin - October 04, 2019 at 11:49 AM



“ Dena Morris lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Dena Morris - October 04, 2019 at 11:17 AM



“ Russ & Lisa Gaddy lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Russ & Lisa Gaddy - October 04, 2019 at 11:04 AM



“ Roger&Linda Gragg lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Roger&Linda Gragg - October 04, 2019 at 09:03 AM



“ Teresa Hicks lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Teresa Hicks - October 04, 2019 at 08:20 AM



“ Joe, Priscilla, Joseph Trivette lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Joe, Priscilla, Joseph Trivette - October 03, 2019 at 09:53 PM



“ April Sparks lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson





“ Jean and boys, we are so sorry for your loss. Bruce was a wonderful man. Many many prayers.



Mark and Lora Lecka - October 03, 2019 at 06:40 PM



“ Allen\$Euna Bentley lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Allen\$Euna Bentley - October 03, 2019 at 06:33 PM



“ Jean @ all u boys I will always miss ur dad * and all the fun we have had all the years* love dianna KERMIT eller

Dianna - October 04, 2019 at 04:50 PM



“ Darla Stamey lit a candle in memory of Bruce Johnson



Darla stamey - October 03, 2019 at 06:22 PM



“ Judy Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Bruce Johnson



Judy Johnson - October 03, 2019 at 05:56 PM



“ Hey Jean and your sweet family. I am so sorry, We all love you and Bruce. He was so kind. I have been thinking about all the beautiful tomatoes he would share with so many of us I think of him every time my Easter flowers bloom. Then at church when we shook hands he would have some cute things to say always making me laugh. He was a "pick-me-up" like sunshine when you saw him in different places in town. I will miss him too. But all of us will see him again when we arrive in heaven to be with Jesus. I will be praying for each of you!

Judy Johnson - October 03, 2019 at 06:14 PM



“ The angel band just gained a lively fiddle player.

Ruth Taylor - October 04, 2019 at 09:11 PM