



## Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson

April 16, 1955 - October 30, 2017

JOHNSON, Mr. Rudy B. - Age 62, passed away Monday, October 30, 2017 at Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital in Katy, TX. Family hour 10:00 A.M. , Wednesday, November 8, 2017 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM, Elder John Thornton, officiating. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Chapel, 10:00 AM Wednesday. Mr. Johnson will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed from 12:00PM-8:00 PM Tuesday.

Mr. Rudy Bernard (French) Johnson was born April 16, 1955 in Chicago, Illinois, the son of Robert and Vernell French. He was a graduate of Flint Central High School, "Class of 1973" where he played baseball, ran track, setting track records and then breaking his own record the following year. Rudy joined the United States Marine Corps in 1973. After his tour of duty, he returned home to Flint and went to work at Chevrolet Manufacturing, a division of General Motors where he worked for 28 years before retiring in 2002. Anyone who knew Rudy knew he was an avid sports enthusiast. He could spend many hours engaging people with his sports knowledge. Rudy played on numerous baseball teams and was a member of several bowling leagues and winning back to back billiard tournaments at Mott Community College. If that wasn't enough he was prohibited from competing the 3rd year because

they knew he would win. Rudy was well liked and never met a stranger. Everyone who met Rudy felt his compassion and love that he so willingly shared.

Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson leaves to cherish his memory: daughter, Farrah (Dreecie) Johnson of Dearborn Heights, MI; 2 sons, LaQuavis (Elica) Swift of Jackson, MI and Antonio (Priscilla) McCloud of Grand Blanc, MI; mother, Vernell French of Houston, TX; sister, Jerandall French of Houston, TX; 11 grandchildren, Sgt. Ashley (Jose) Rodriguez, Colby Johnson, Lundyn Snow, Emyiah Snow, Aidyn Moore, Tyrie and Jayda Swift, Jordan Powell, Tatyana Holman, Antonio McCloud II and Sha'Diamond McCloud; 2 great-grandchildren, Arianna and Jayden Rodriguez; 6 nieces including 2 special nieces, Natasha Wheaton and Keisha French; 2 nephews; sister-in-law, Elvira Johnson.

Mr. Johnson was preceded in death by his father, Robert J. "RJ" French; grandparents, Irvin & Patsy French, Jimmie & Lula McMullan; brother, Msg. Stanley (French) Johnson and Robert F. "Bobby" French.

The family would like to express special thanks to Sharon Flourney and Lonnie Wheaton.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.  
Holly, MI 48442

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

NOV 7. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint  
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.  
Flint, MI 48505  
(810) 789-MOON (6666)  
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com  
<http://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

## Family hour

NOV 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Daddy... I Often come back here just to Read the Memories shared, kind words Spoken about you and to Remind Myself that Besides PawPaw YOU the Most AMAZING FATHER I could have EVER asked for! Idk why God Took you from Me, but it hurts More and More with each passing Day... The Weight of Grief NEVER gets lighter, we just seem to get stronger to carry it. I Miss our Talks, our DEBATES, you Fussing at Me(probably over some sports stuff I got wrong! Lol) 😊 But Most of all You telling Me you were NOT my friend but MY Father... But YOU were MY VERY BEST FRIEND & the BEST FATHER all in one 😊 OG time may have went on but I've been stuck right when you took your last breath. I wish I could have held your hand like you ALWAYS held mine... Til we meet again Daddy, I promise imma shake back and Make You Even More Proud than you always was of Me.... Love Forever & A Day, Cheza Mia ❤️ As you would say You are ME and I Am YOU... Farrah Jayy 🙏*

Farrah Johnson - August 04, 2022 at 07:11 PM



*You are the best sister I could ever have in this lifetime I love you and you will always be the greatest daughter to our father a man named Rudy could have*

Antonio mccloud - November 30, 2023 at 06:18 PM

RH

“ Cookie you and your Mom are in my Prayers for Strength and Peace.  
R/H Rudy



Ruthi Hill - September 01, 2018 at 10:16 AM

CF

“ Still missing you more each day. Can't believe you are not here in this HOT Texas heat with me. Mom and I are doing fine. Love your sis.....Cookie

Cookie French - July 30, 2018 at 01:58 PM

AM

I love you aunty from Antonio Mccloud

Antonio Mccloud - January 02, 2019 at 01:09 AM

CT

“ Cleo Thompson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson



Cleo Thompson - December 01, 2017 at 10:02 PM

DW

“ You will be truly missed nephew, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.



Dorothy & Charles Williams - November 10, 2017 at 12:43 PM

JF

“ *JANICE ANDERSON AND THE STEELE FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



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**JANICE ANDERSON AND THE STEELE FAMILY** - November 07, 2017 at 06:42 PM

DB

*I am sorry for your loss. At such times words that truly comfort are hard to think of, the Bible has these comforting words found at PHilippians 4:6, 7. The bible can be a source of comfort. May the family keep in mind that God the hearer of prayer promise to help us through these difficult times, if you turn to him in prayer.*

*You can read these scriptures online at [www. jw. org](http://www.jw.org).*

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**Delores Brown** - November 10, 2017 at 01:40 PM

HA

“ *He was the tallest person on the basketball team in the 6th grade and he played the center position. He was the big guy on the team we were all looking up to him. And, now he has figured out a way to make us look up to him again. RIP! Love You Man, Henry Anderson*



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**Henry Anderson** - November 07, 2017 at 05:03 PM

MW

“ *May all the special memories you shared with your loved one stay with you and bring you comfort through all the days ahead. With love and deepest sympathy.*

*Mary B. Woolfolk*

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**Mary B. Woolfolk** - November 07, 2017 at 05:03 PM

HA

“ *Henry Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



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**Henry Anderson** - November 07, 2017 at 04:51 PM

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“ *Henry & Faye Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



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**Henry & Faye Anderson** - November 07, 2017 at 04:41 PM

HA

*I thank God for the privilege to share this journey with my childhood buddy. We have known and kept in touch with each other since elementary school until I last spoke to you the week of your passing. We were the best of friends. I know your soul was saved by God based on the wonderful spiritual conversations we shared over the last few months. I love you but, God loves you best and may your soul rest in peace with our Heavenly Father. Until we meet again on the other side. As we always closed our conversation with Love You Man!*

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**Henry Anderson** - November 07, 2017 at 04:49 PM

CT

“ *My condolences to the children of Rudy from the turners*



**cynthia turner** - November 07, 2017 at 10:01 AM

AM

*Thank you from Antonio Mccloud*

**Antonio Mccloud** - January 02, 2019 at 01:08 AM

MH

“ *Maria Hopkins-Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



**Maria Hopkins-Brown** - November 07, 2017 at 07:18 AM

TA

“ *YOU WILL BE TRULY MISSED UNC!!!! ILL BE SURE TO ROOT ON THOSE TIGERS AND LIONS FOR YOU!!!*

**Tasha** - November 07, 2017 at 01:34 AM

AM

*Love you kuz from Antonio Mccloud*

**Antonio Mccloud** - January 02, 2019 at 01:10 AM

TA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Tasha - November 07, 2017 at 01:32 AM

RP

Vy

*Rudy has always been a good friend we met at Harris Temple Church,  
RIP MyFriend*

*Love You Annette Trotter*

Roe Annette Trotter Partee - November 08, 2017 at 07:34 AM

AM

*Love you from your son tone*

Antonio Mccloud - January 02, 2019 at 01:12 AM

MH

“ *Maria Hopkins-Brown sent a virtual gift in  
memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



Maria Hopkins-Brown - November 06, 2017 at 10:51 PM

AM

“ *Annette Marks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



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**Annette Marks** - November 06, 2017 at 09:33 PM

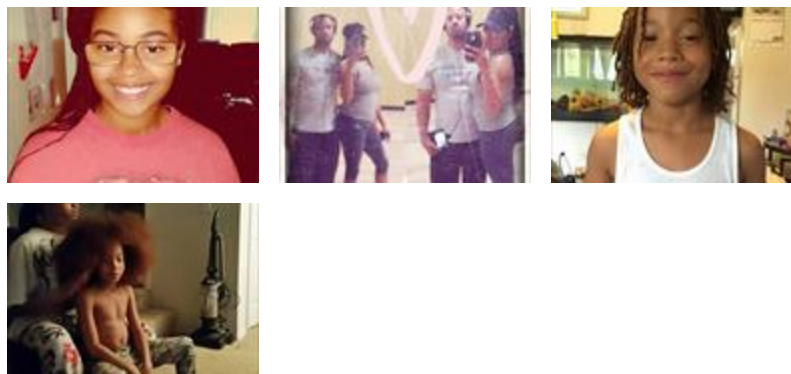
NR

“ *May my friend truly RIP*

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**Norphlet Reeves** - November 06, 2017 at 09:21 PM

FJ

“ *4 files added to the album LifeTributes*



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**Farrah Johnson** - November 06, 2017 at 09:00 PM

AM

*Thank you sis i love you*

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**Antonio Mccloud** - January 02, 2019 at 01:13 AM



“ 7 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home** - November 06, 2017 at 07:41 PM

AM

*Love you all from uncle tone*

**Antonio Mccloud** - January 02, 2019 at 01:15 AM



“ *Wanda Baker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



**Wanda Baker** - November 06, 2017 at 06:55 PM

MH

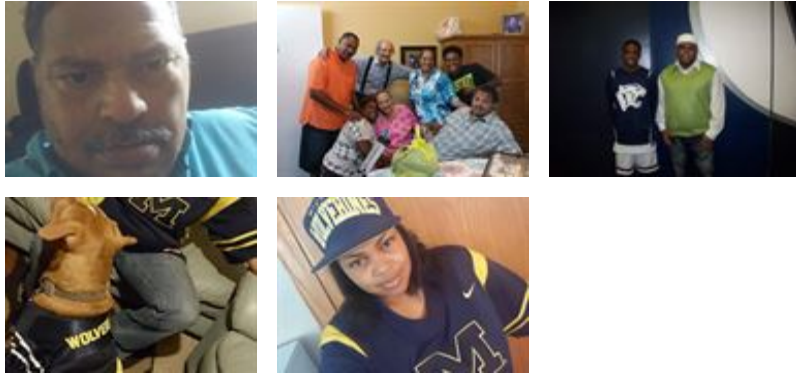
“ *I'm sorry to hear of the passing of Rudy. I remember working with him at General Motors, playing cards and him sneaking out for lunch. Rudy was always a good friend. I will miss him tremendously.*



**Maria Hopkins-Brown** - November 06, 2017 at 05:04 PM



“ 55 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home** - November 06, 2017 at 04:55 PM

NR

“ *May my friend truly RIP*

**Norphlet Reeves** - November 06, 2017 at 02:56 PM

TA

“ *Toni K. Adams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



**Toni K. Adams** - November 06, 2017 at 02:12 PM



“ *Danielle Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



**Danielle Phillips** - November 06, 2017 at 01:47 PM

NA

“ *Nadine Alexander lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



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**Nadine Alexander** - November 06, 2017 at 09:43 AM

DC

“ *Throw all your anxieties on our God who cares and feels for us when we are having trials. (Proverbs 3:5,6, 1 Peter 5:7, Isaiah 41:10) My deepest condolences are with the Johnson family and friends for their loss of Rudy.*

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**Darlene Casmere** - November 06, 2017 at 08:23 AM

KN

“ *Kathy Nolen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



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**Kathy Nolen** - November 05, 2017 at 04:22 PM

PA

“ *Rudy and I were classmates and friends way back in elementary school. My prayers and sympathy go out to his family. Know that God is always there and he will comfort you. PALA*

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**PALA** - November 05, 2017 at 03:11 PM

MC

“ *Miranda Cantrell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



Miranda Cantrell - November 05, 2017 at 10:37 AM

KN

“ *Kathy Nolen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



Kathy Nolen - November 04, 2017 at 09:50 PM

PO

“ *Rest In Peace my dear friend..* 🌺❤️

Portia Odom - November 04, 2017 at 05:30 PM

RS

“ *Rosalind Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



Rosalind Smith - November 03, 2017 at 07:07 PM

JG

“ *James&Ondria Gillespie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



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**James&Ondria Gillespie** - November 03, 2017 at 12:29 PM

SN

“ *Stephanie Nolen Nantambu lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



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**Stephanie Nolen Nantambu** - November 02, 2017 at 10:07 PM

PM

“ *My prayers are with the family in your loss. Rudy was a coworker and a long time friend who will be truly missed. RIP*



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**Patricia A Moss** - November 02, 2017 at 09:45 PM

SH

*I worked with Rudy at Chevrolet on Chevrolet Ave. Hi Pat and Stephanie. Rudy was a great guy. Always had a smile on his face. Usually had a comment that made us all laugh. RIP.*

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**Scott Henry** - November 06, 2017 at 04:54 PM

SW

“ *Shannan Wynn sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



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**Shannan Wynn** - November 02, 2017 at 09:07 PM

KR

“ *Kermit & Genell Reeves lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rudy Bernard Johnson*



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**Kermit & Genell Reeves** - November 02, 2017 at 06:52 PM