



Minister Johnny Barry Johnson Jr.

October 18, 1955 - November 4, 2023

Minister Johnny Barry Johnson, Jr., 68 of Peoria, IL transitioned to his heavenly home at 10:06 am on Saturday, November 4, 2023 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center.

Johnny was born on October 18, 1955 in Wilson, AR to Johnny, Sr., and Viola (Goodlow) Johnson. Johnny graduated from Rivercrest High School in Wilson, Arkansas where he was a member of the football and track team. He married the lovely Carolyn Holcomb on May 5, 2007 in Peoria, IL.

After moving to Peoria, IL he took classes at Black Hawk College in Moline, IL and Illinois Central College in East Peoria, IL. Johnny last worked at the Peoria Civic Center as an usher.

Johnny was multi-talented. He was an artist who was a gifted pencil drawer. He was a playwright and performer at the Performing Arts Center at ICC where one of his plays was directed by Doug Day. Johnny was a talented singer with a soulful voice. He was a part of several gospel groups in Arkansas and Peoria, including the Majestic Sons of Zion.

Before moving to Peoria, IL, Johnny was a member and Senior Associate Minister of United M.B. Church in Gobler, MO, where his father was the Pastor. Johnny was a member of New Morning Star M.B. Church where he

served as one of the Associates Ministers and one of the directors of the Men's Chorus.

Johnny leaves to cherish his most precious memory, his darling wife of 16 years, Carolyn Johnson of Peoria, IL; three sons, Kevin (Sherilyn) Johnson of Clarksville, TN, Andre (Tracey) Johnson of Osceola, AR and Deon (Shawn'ta) Robinson of Blytheville, AR; two daughters, Consuela (Jackie) Thomas of Wilson, AR and Pamela Perry of Jacksonville, AR; bonus sons, Steven Matthews and Frazer Matthews, Jr., both of Peoria, IL and Eric (LaToya) Matthews of Conyers, GA; one brother, Robert L. Stevenson of Sacramento, CA; two sisters, Dorothy (Douglas) Wight of Horn Lake, MS and Cathy Williams of Matthews, NC and a host of grandchildren, great-grand grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins who loved him dearly. He is preceded in death by his parents; his son, Theodore Roosevelt Quinn, III; two brothers, Bruce Stevens and Lawrence Johnson, one sister, Jewell Brownlee and son-in-law, Joe Perry Jr.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, November 18, 2023 at New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church with a visitation one-hour before beginning at 10:00 am. Pastor Cleveland Thomas, Sr. will officiate.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at SimonsMortuary.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **18**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church
413 W. John H. Gwynn Jr. Avenue
Peoria, IL 61605

Celebration of Life

NOV **18**. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

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Peoria, IL 61605

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Minister Johnny Barry Johnson Jr.*



Simons Mortuary - November 21, 2023 at 01:06 PM



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Minister Johnny Barry Johnson Jr.*



Simons Mortuary - November 17, 2023 at 11:44 AM

CA

I miss you 💕💕

Carolyn - November 30, 2023 at 05:20 PM

OG

“ *oved So nearly dear. Rc and Gaytel Gate purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Minister Johnny Barry Johnson Jr..*



oved So nearly dear. Rc and Gaytel Gate - November 18, 2023
at 10:23 AM

CB

“ *REST IN PEACE JOHNSON! YOU WILL BE VERY MISSED*

Cynthia Ann Barnes - November 17, 2023 at 05:14 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Minister Johnny Barry Johnson Jr..*



November 15, 2023 at 11:37 AM

TF

“ *The Holcomb Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Minister Johnny Barry Johnson Jr..*



The Holcomb Family - November 13, 2023 at 11:23 AM

EM

“ Earnestine M. purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Minister Johnny Barry Johnson Jr..



Earnestine M. - November 10, 2023 at 06:44 PM

MC

“ Correction: He always knew

Minister Donald Cummings - November 06, 2023 at 10:59 PM

MC

“ Minister Johnny Johnson was first a child of God. Second, he answered Gods call to come and serve the body as a Minister of the Gospel. Third, he always never that serving others was his highest calling on this earth. We served together as Co-Ministers of New Morning Star for many years. I was and am honored to call him my friend. I look forward to our great re-Union in Heaven with all the Saints who have gone before us.

Minister Donald Cummings - November 06, 2023 at 10:56 PM