



Ret. Col. Joseph L. Johnson III

September 28, 2016

JOHNSON III, Ret. Col. Joseph L., 53, of Louisville, passed away Wednesday, September 28, 2016. Joe was a retired Fire Colonel for the McMahan Fire Department. He was also a member of the Brothers Keepers Motorcycle Club. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Charles Cardwell grandparents, Regina and Jay Leonard Johnson; and other family, Doris and Ed Hammond. Joe is survived by his children, Joshua and Jessica Johnson; granddaughter, McKenna Johnson; fiancée, Allison King and her daughter, Rowan Elizabeth King; parents, Charlotte and Joseph L. Johnson Jr., brother, Thomas Johnson; sister, Kirstie Amback; and grandmother, Ida Jo Cardwell. Visitation will be Friday 12pm-8pm at Owen Funeral Home – Jeffersontown, 9318 Taylorsville Road and Saturday 9am-11am at Highview Baptist Church, 7711 Fegenbush Lane, with funeral service to follow at 11am. Burial will be at Resthaven Memorial Park. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Firefighter's Cancer Support Network, www.firefightercancersupport.org

Tribute Wall

LP

“ *Josh and Jessica,*

Andrew informed me of your father passing. Sending prayers, thoughts and deepest sympathy to your family.

Lisa Pittman

Lisa Pittman - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

LS

“ *We go to people's sides on the worst days of their lives and try to make it better. That is the essence of our purpose as a firefighter. We visit them at the time they are most vulnerable. They implicitly trust that we will act with honor and in the most ethical manner. Chief Joseph Johnson was one of those people who never said a negative word about anyone and was always willing to stay up through the night ... and come back bright and early in the morning to get things done." Those who knew him say his presence would light up a room*

Chief was...a good man; he was always there for you

"He's going to be missed but we will move forward as...as firefighters do and we will remember him and take the lessons that we learned from him and impart them in our daily lives,"

Chief Joseph Johnson legacy will carry on.

Rest in peace brother former Fire Chief Larry L. Schweitzer

Larry Schweitzer - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

JB

“ Jessica,
My thoughts and prayer are with you and your family. Your dedication to learning the art and science of nursing, and caring for him the way you have is an inspiration.
Professor Beran

Julia Beran - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

KN

“ Dear Charlotte,Lenny,Josh,Jesse,Tom,Kirsty,Kenny,
Allison,Ida Jo, Words are hard to describe our heart felt sorrow we have for you guys. Here is a scripture passage we would like to share. Rev 21:4
He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away. He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything anew!" Then he said 'Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."
All our love and prayers are with you.

Karl and Sandra Neutz - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

TR

“ Charlotte and family,
Please know you all are in my thoughts.
Sending big hugs and prayers.

Trish - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

KH

“ Dear Joshua and Jessica, this is Kim from Dr Sims, the dentist's office. I don't know if you remember me. I am so sorry about your dad. He was such a wonderful person. Remember when we watched that fire together up in Hikes Point? He'll be with you everyday and be so proud of you! Miss you! If you ever need a dentist come see us!

Kim Howe - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

SC

“ Charlotte & Lenny, please accept my deepest sympathy for your loss. Joey was a very caring individual who put others ahead of himself.

Steve Connors - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

LB

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Joe was a very special man. May you find comfort in knowing that he was so highly loved and thought of by everyone that was lucky enough to cross in his path.

Lisa Connors Bridwell - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

PM

“ Deepest sympathy to Joe's family and friends. I always enjoyed working with Joe, he loved his family and his profession. Prayers for all of you!

Pam Marsiliusen - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

DL

“ So sorry for your loss. Met Joe through Gary many years ago when I was involved in fire and EMS. Thought the world of Joe. Bless you through these dark hours.

Denise Lucas - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

JG

“ *My prayers are with Joe's family. I served at McMahan with Joe in the 90's and he taught me so much about firefighting and life. The world is truly a lessor place without him in it. Rest easy Joe and may God bless.* ”

Jim Giglio - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM

SK

“ *Thinking of you and praying for your family.* ”

Sara keaton - June 28, 2018 at 04:16 PM