



Carl R. Johnson

February 23, 1939 - October 26, 2015

Carl R. Johnson, 76, of Bonita Springs, FL died Monday, October 26, 2015. Formerly of Rockford, IL he had moved to Estero, FL in 2011 before relocating to Bonita Springs. Carl was born February 23, 1939 in Joliet, IL a son of the late Clarence and Lois (Schafnut) Johnson.

Mr. Johnson served as a radar controller in the United States Air Force. His career started as a driver for Coca-Cola before operating his Crossmark Food Products Distributorship in Chicago, IL. He retired in 2002.

Carl had a passion for all sports; he was an avid golfer who enjoyed swimming and playing on the Bocce Team at Fountain Lakes. He was also a Mason, member of Mt. Joliet Lodge No. 42 and a proud volunteer at Rockford Health System. Carl will be remembered for his great sense of humor as well as his kind and loving personality.

Survivors include his children, Barry (Rosemary) Johnson of Bolingbrook, IL, Laurie R. (Shaun) Kropp of Frankfort, IL, Kimberly (Raymond J.) Mooi of New Lenox, IL; fiancé, Linda Ritzert of Bonita Springs, FL; grandchildren, Gina, Anthony (Meghan), Raymond N. (Margaret), Marley; great grandson, Ryder; and his little girl in a fur coat "Dolly." He is also survived by 2 siblings, Valerie and Gordon; 2 step-children, Jessica and Eric; 4 step-great grandchildren, and mother-in-law, Maxine Johnson. In addition to his parents he was

preceded in death by his wife, Linda Johnson in 2001.

A visitation will be held on Monday, November 2, 2015 from 6:00 PM – 6:45 PM at Lamb of God Church, 19691 Cypress View Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33967.

A funeral service will begin at 7:00 PM.

The family requests in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made in Carl's name to Lamb of God Church at the address above or to Hope Hospice, 9470 HealthPark Circ. N., Fort Myers, FL 33908

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 2. 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM (ET)

Lamb of God Lutheran Church
19691 Cypress View Drive
Ft. Myers, FL 33967

Funeral Service

NOV 2. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Carl R. Johnson*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *My name is Traci Melms, I am the Volunteer Coordinator at Visiting Nurses Association in Rockford, IL. Carl was a volunteer for VNA. I was so sad to hear about his death. Carl has a very special place in all of our hearts; patients, other volunteers and staff alike loved Carl, he was truly one of our favorites. Carl helped us start the "bread program". Once a week he would come into the office, I would give him the names of 4 of our new patients, he would then go to a local business here in Rockford that would donate 4 loaves of bread for him to take to the new patients. Of course when he would stop in we would all have to visit with him, he had such an amazing personality, always happy and just a joy to be around. I hope that you find comfort in these memories, our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. I have some pictures of Carl when he volunteered for us, if you can give me an email I would be happy to send them to you. We feel so blessed to have known such a wonderful man, thank-you.*

Traci Melms - October 30, 2015 at 10:41 AM



“ *Linda...We are so sorry for your loss and send you our deepest condolences. While we didn't know Carl well, having met him only recently, we thoroughly enjoyed his company at "Havana Nights." Remember all the good times you shared because that's what's important now. xoxo Maurisa & Harris Solomon*

Maurisa Solomon - October 27, 2015 at 08:22 PM

DB

“ Our condolences to Carl's family and his loving partner, Linda. We came to know Carl, through Linda, one of our very dear friends. Carl was full of laughter and smiles and we always enjoyed spending time with them. Some our dearest memories are boating on the Gulf with Carl and friends. Rest in peace, dear friend. You are now in God's loving arms.



Debi Braendle - October 27, 2015 at 05:22 PM

MC

I had the pleasure of meeting Carl just a few years ago. Although I did not know Carl well, he was one of those people you instantly took a liking to. So full of fun, always smiling and full of laughter. He is now at peace, no longer in pain and with God. My sincere condolences to Linda and his family.

Marilyn Cipolla - October 30, 2015 at 11:48 AM

RG

Carl was a wonderful part of Jessica and my life, and a fantastic Papa to our two children. These past 25 years with him in our life will never be forgotten. We are so glad to have spent time with him this past June in Florida. We miss him dearly.

Richard Good - October 31, 2015 at 01:38 PM