



Richard Paul Johnson

August 17, 1935 - June 19, 2017

Richard “Dick” Johnson, 81 of Naples, FL, formerly of Needham MA and Osterville MA passed away on June 19, 2017 surrounded by his family. He was born on August 17, 1935 in Malden, MA, a son of the late George Johnson and Olive Getty Johnson.

Dick grew up in Woburn, MA and graduated from Woburn High School where he excelled academically and athletically. He was affectionally nicknamed “lefty” for his pitching prowess. He continued his baseball career at Northeastern University and later completed The Advanced Management Program at Harvard University. He was a leader by nature and enjoyed a very successful career in retail including Jewel Companies, Hickory Farms and ultimately owner and operator of Brighams Ice Cream and Sandwich Shops.

He was an avid golfer, a former member of Charles River Country Club, The Oyster Harbor Club and most recently, a thirty year member of Bonita Bay Golf Club. His passion for golf was well known and he was proud of the fact that he frequently shot his age or better. Richard was beloved by friends and family far and wide and often described to have a personality that was “larger than life”.

Most meaningful of all to him was his family. He leaves his wife of fifty eight years and the “love of his life” Martha Whittemore Johnson; daughters Laura

(David) Olmstead of Orland Park, IL, Sandra (Jeffrey) Dumart, and Pamela (Burt) Lueth both of Franklin, MA. Beloved "Huhu" of 10 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren, all of whom he encouraged to pursue their passion and dreams. Brother of Janice D'Auria and Gail Bouley. Besides his parents he is preceded in death by four brothers; George, Frederick and Walter Johnson and Theodore Dascoli.

A memorial service will be held at 11am on Friday, July 14, 2017 at Naples United Church of Christ, 5200 Crayton Road, Naples, FL.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in his memory to The Arbor Pointe Foundation, Inc. 1000 Arbor Lake Drive, Naples, FL 34110.

Online condolences may be left by visiting www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com

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

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Naples United Church of Christ
5200 Crayton Road
Naples, FL

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Paul Johnson*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *What a wonderful man. We shall miss you.*

John Barry Love - July 19, 2017 at 05:38 PM



“ *Dick was my District Manager at Star Market many years ago and was a great leader, teacher, and mentor to me and many other Store Managers. He did such a good job training me that I went on to become a Senior Vice President at Star before I retired. I remember him fondly and am saddened by his death. May he rest in peace.*
Dick MacDonald

Dick MacDonald - June 30, 2017 at 01:43 PM



“ *While many years have passed since I last saw him, I have warm memories of "Mr. Johnson" from my visits to your home while growing up in Needham. He always greeted me with a big smile and a wisecrack or two. I am so sorry for your loss and I know that he will be greatly missed. Sending much love and my deepest sympathies.* *Beth Gordon*

Beth Gordon - June 27, 2017 at 12:57 PM

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“ Martha,

*Condolences to you and all of your family from all of the Dumarts.
Love.*

Bruce and Nancy

Bruce Dumart - June 26, 2017 at 09:33 PM

CJ

“ *I was saddened to hear about Dick's passing. He was always a pleasant dinner companion and a true gentleman in all he did. He will be sorely missed in the Arbor Trace community. I offer my condolences to all his family but especially to Martha. Sincerely,
Chuck Theisen*

Charles J. Theisen, Jr - June 25, 2017 at 03:08 PM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to Martha and the children. And he loved you all.*

Dick was one of a kind and the most sincere, genuine, classy, thoughtful, kind and generous man I've ever met. It was a privilege to call him a friend , my best friend. He had a keen wit and great humor. His great story telling ability was only exceeded by his prodigious golf skills. You both had a great run together and he would want you to go forward cherishing the wonderful memories.

Requiesat in pace my dear friend.

Steve Sullivan

Steve Sullivan - June 24, 2017 at 09:14 AM

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“ *A true gentleman in all respects. All of us who played golf with Dick at BB admired and respected him.*

Pete Saputo

PETER SAPUTO - June 23, 2017 at 08:59 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Huhu Golfing*



Matt Dumart - June 23, 2017 at 07:41 PM