



Gerald Johnson

March 11, 1941 - January 9, 2018

Gerald L. Johnson, 76, of Bluffton passed away on Tuesday evening, January 9, 2018, at Adams County Memorial Hospital in Decatur.

He was born on March 11, 1941 in Wells County to Elmer “Jack” & Wilma (Brown) Johnson. Gerald graduated from East Union High School in 1959 and attended Purdue University. He retired from Ormsby Trucking as a driver in 2005. He was a member of Hope Missionary Church where he was active in missions. Gerald loved to spend time with his family and attend the grandchildren’s sporting events.

On September 9, 1961 in Wells County, Indiana Gerald & Nancy (Wilson) Johnson were married.

Survivors include his wife Nancy of Bluffton along with three sons: P. Scott (Kelly) Johnson, Rick (Lori) Johnson and Darin (Amy) Johnson, all of Bluffton and four daughters: Lanie (Brian) Hinshaw of Bluffton, Lori (Dean) Lloyd of rural Ossian, Dena (Jeff) Schmelzer of Bremen, Ohio and Deidre (Ronny) Stoppenhagen of rural Ossian. Gerald was a proud grandpa to 25 grandchildren, 8 great-granddaughters and a great grandson along with 2 brothers: David (Sharon) Johnson and Philip (Rosie) Johnson of Bluffton.

A service to celebrate Gerald’s life will be held at 3:00 P.M. on Sunday (January 14, 2018) at Hope Missionary Church in Bluffton. Pastor Gary Aupperle will officiate. Calling hours will be held from 1 to 8 P.M. on Saturday at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton and for one hour prior to the service on Sunday at the church. Burial will take place at a later date at

Prospect Cemetery in Uniondale. Memorials can be made to Hope Missionary Church Mission Fund.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at www.thomarich.com.

Cemetery Details

Prospect Cemetery

0094 West 900 North
Uniondale, IN 46791

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 13. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
<http://www.thomarich.com>

Visitation

JAN 14. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Hope Missionary Church
429 E. Dustman Rd.
Bluffton, IN

Celebration of Life Service

JAN 14. 3:00 PM (ET)

Hope Missionary Church
429 E. Dustman Rd.
Bluffton, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gerald Johnson*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - January 13, 2018 at 11:44 AM



“ *Gerald Johnson*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Linda (Allen) Lozano lit a candle in memory of Gerald Johnson*



Linda (Allen) Lozano - January 14, 2018 at 04:00 AM



“ *The Ormsby Trucking family extenda our deepest sympathies. We have many fond memories of Gerald!*

JULIE HOLTE - January 13, 2018 at 12:19 PM

BH

“ *Nancy and family:
We are saddened to see Gerald's passing in the paper. We understand he was doing something he loved, watching his grandchildren play sports. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.*
Joe and Barb Hanauer

Barbara Hanauer - January 13, 2018 at 11:31 AM

DK

“ *The Lee Kinzer family have a lot of funny and good memories of the Gerald and Nancy family. Thank you for your friendship. Dawn*

Dawn Kinzerd - January 13, 2018 at 10:28 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Gerald Johnson.*



January 12, 2018 at 08:53 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Gerald Johnson.*



January 12, 2018 at 08:39 PM

ML

“ I will miss his great personality and sense of humor. He was one of the good guys. Had some good times with him a few years back. God bless his family.

Mike Lobsiger

Mike Lobsiger - January 12, 2018 at 08:16 PM



“ Love's Embrace Roses – Red was purchased for the family of Gerald Johnson.



January 12, 2018 at 03:50 PM

RM

“ Please accept our condolences. We have appreciated knowing Gerald and Nancy through the years since high school. I remember spending the night with Gerald when we were in school and after everyone else was in bed we snuck out on the roof and smoked cigarettes. We had other fun times together and I always liked Gerald.

God's blessings on Nancy and all the family.

*Ron & Kathy Mulles
Casa Grande, AZ*

Ron Mulles - January 12, 2018 at 11:56 AM

GM

“ We are saddened to hear of Gerald's passing! He is remembered fondly - as is all your family! It was a blessing to know you all!

Andrew & Georgia Marshall

Georgia Marshall - January 11, 2018 at 09:18 PM

GB

“ Our sympathy to Nancy, Scott, Darin and the rest of the Johnson family on the loss of Gerald. He always had a smile and a kind word whenever we would meet.

George and Jan Babcock

George Babcock - January 11, 2018 at 08:26 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White* was purchased for the family of Gerald Johnson.



January 11, 2018 at 05:17 PM

WS

“ *It's been said that "the unforgettable memories of an individual is the result of his character". Gerald will never be forgotten. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Nancy and family.* Bonnie & Wayne Settlemeier

wayne settlemeyer - January 11, 2018 at 04:47 PM

BB

“ When Nancy and Gerald got married, Gerald told me I should NEVER call him "Uncle" Gerald and that was because he is only a year and 1/2 older then I am. You will be missed UNCLE Gerald. Thanks for all the great hugs you gave me. With Love, Bonnie

Bonita Bradburn - January 11, 2018 at 11:16 AM



“ 89 files added to the album Life Tributes



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - January 11, 2018 at 11:12 AM

BF

“ Bonnie and Myron, Susan, Dan and families purchased the Red & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Gerald Johnson.



Bonnie and Myron, Susan, Dan and families - January 11, 2018 at 11:08 AM

BB

“ *NANCY AND KIDS*

*SO SORRY OF YOUR LOSS. WILL CERTAINLY KEEP ALL OF YOU
IN MY PRAYER. MAY GOD' S LOVE AND GRACE COMFORT YOU.*

BOB BAKER

BOB BAKER - January 11, 2018 at 11:02 AM

BP

“ *Bluffton Boys Basketball Program purchased the Love's Embrace Roses – White for the family of Gerald Johnson.*



Bluffton Boys Basketball Program - January 11, 2018 at 10:05 AM

DL

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Dean and Jean Lemler

Dean Lemler - January 11, 2018 at 09:55 AM

SK

“ *Spent a couple seasons traveling with Gerald keeping Norwell football stats. Really enjoyed his company.*

Steve Kunkel - January 11, 2018 at 07:19 AM



“ *Love's Embrace Roses – Purple was purchased for the family of Gerald Johnson.*



January 10, 2018 at 09:45 PM



“ *You will be missed Uncle Gerald. Although I didn't get to see you much in the last few years, I will remember all the times we had with you. Aunt Nancy and my cousins, my prayers are with you. Love you all.*

*Donna Hammel,
Florida*

Donna Hammel - January 10, 2018 at 08:23 PM



“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers. Sorry for your loss From a Rock Steady member, Joe Longsworth and his wife Pam.*

Joe and Pam Longsworth - January 10, 2018 at 07:33 PM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Gerald Johnson.*



January 10, 2018 at 07:10 PM