

A portrait of an elderly man with short, graying hair, smiling warmly. He is wearing a light-colored, possibly white, turtleneck sweater. The background is a vibrant sunset or sunrise over a body of water, with a forest of evergreen trees silhouetted against the bright, golden sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong glow and long shadows.

In Loving Memory of
William Henry Johnson

Sunrise: January 21, 1924

Sunset: October 29, 2015

Service

Friday, November 6, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

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Obituary

William Henry Johnson was affectionately known as "Willie" by family and friends. He was born on January 21, 1924 in Manhattan, New York to beloved parents, Carter and LaVinia Johnson, who preceded him in life.

Willie was a carpenter by trade and Mr. Fix-it to all who knew him; he found joy in helping others. Willie enjoyed classical music. He would listen to it always even while watching sporting events and cooking. His other passions included fishing, swimming, anything to do with being in or near the water. Willie knew how to have a good time, and had the ability for making people laugh.

He was truly unique and very much an individual who walked to the beat of his own drum. Never one to complain or fuss about life's issues, Willie was the one who always made you feel at ease during times of discomfort.

Willie loved his Davidson Avenue families and expressed his love through food. Willie was famous for his cookouts and relished spending time with his Davidson Avenue friends, especially the ladies.

Even at 91 years old, Willie lived his life with a fierce determination that was admirable.

Left behind to cherish his memory are: his daughter, Joyce Johnson; grandson, William T. Martinez; granddaughter, Yvonne D. Martinez; niece, LaVinia J. Johnson; great nephews, LaVance S. Johnson and Madden T. Johnson; his secondary family, Iona, Morris, Charles, Myra, Dorothy, Ronald, Travis and Joy; and a host of family and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Final Disposition

*Oxford Hills Crematory
Chester, New York*

“When you remember me
Please do not weep
My body may not be there
It has chosen to sleep
I'm not that far away
My soul lives on
Looking down, watching over
You and everyone
And when you feel sad
And life seems so blue
Just remember
That my spirit has its arms around you
And on those special days,
Times that you wish I could see,
That cool breeze flowing past you...
Well, that will be me
So don't be sad
Have no fear
God has taken me under his wing
But I'll always be near
I still watch you
Every minute, every day
My love and soul are with you
And that's where they will stay”

By Emma Etwell.

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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