



## Wilfred "Dick" Johnson, Sr.

November 2, 1932 - December 11, 2023

Today, we say farewell to one of Gretna's finest, Wilfred Johnson Sr. "Dick," as he was affectionately known, worked at the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office. He was a retired lieutenant from the Jefferson Parish Correctional Center. He also worked as retail at Porter Steven Men's Clothing Store for many years, where he left as an assistant manager and worked at many other retail stores. He was a member of the United States Army during the Korean War. He was serving in the 436 Quarter Master Court in the 4th Army. He was stationed in Texas in 1951 and served in Germany for a year in the 7th Army called "7 Steps to hell". At home, he was in many organizations, such as the Quarterback Club, the timers club of McDonaldville, and the Bowling League, with many of his good friends. In 1967, he and four of his other friends joined the New Orleans Saints ticketholders for over 50 years, and now his name can be found on the Championship Square Wall. Still, to this day, he has been a faithful Saints fan.

Dick was married to the late Eunice Brown Johnson, the love of his life. They were married for 61 years before her death, which was February 18, 1950. They had eleven children together four daughters the late Miriam "Mimi" Robinson (George) ,and the late Ingrid Collins, Donna Anderson, Eunice Gutierrez (Jackie), and Melba Todle (Steven Sr. of Arkansas) and seven sons (Wilfred Johnson Jr. (Betty), Aaron Johnson (Joan), Wardell Johnson, Kirk Johnson, Steven Johnson (Teresa), Terrence "Tata" Johnson, Darrell Mundy Sr. (Nekita of Humble, Texas), and Derrick "Bay" Johnson Sr. "Dick" was known as PawPaw towards all his 29 grandkids, 36 great-grandchildren, and four great-great grandkids. He lived long enough to see his grandchildren and great-grandchildren finish college and receive their master's degree. To the neighborhood and his family, he was a father figure to many who loved him. He was baptized at Regular Baptist Church by Reverend Daniel Power. In front of the church, there is a brick with his favorite scripture from the bible, which is John 14: 2-4. He was an usher-on-Usher Board #2. He served there under Reverend TJ Hodgins until his death. His favorite hymn from the church was "I Want Complain", but with his wife their favorite hymn together was "The Wind Beneath My Wings". His parents were the late Daniel and Viola Johnson of Gretna, La. His brothers Curtis, Richard, of Donaldsonville and Harold of Seattle, Washington, and sisters Bernice "Olivia" Jackson and Bernette Francois of Lancaster, California. All have preceded him in death. He was educated in Jefferson Parish Elementary School (McDonald #27),

High School L.B.

Landry, and college Straight Business School. He played football as a linesman with many of his school friends.

Blessings to his longtime friends were Mr. Clarence Perkins, Mr. Joseph Davis, Mr. Joseph Burnstelle, and his favorite cousin, Roy Walker.

Still survived by sisters-in-law, Leah Callens, and Yvonne Vancourt (Herman) and brother-in-law Supt. Wilfred Brown Jr. (Missionary Doris) and many nieces and nephews he loved.

PawPaw was the last of the Johnson in his family. God has now received all of the heads of the

Johnson family. He leaves his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great

children to carry the name of the Johnson in good standing with dignity and respect. He leaves a

lifetime of memories and quotations to all who knew him and loved him. We will truly miss him.

We Will See Him Again.

Warrior – Motivator & Family Man

# Cemetery Details

## Mc Donogville Cemetery

520 Hancock St.  
Gretna , LA 70053

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **23**. 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Regular Baptist Church  
901 5th Street  
Gretna , LA 70053

## Celebration of Life

DEC **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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## Interment

DEC **23** (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Extending my sincere condolences to this family, at the "Home going" of this very "Distinguished" gentleman. "DicK" was like a brother to my family, due to his closeness to my cousin "Charles Watkins" aka "Wacker". I will always remember the warmth I received as I visited with his beautiful wife and family. I will continue to "Pray" with and to "Pray" for this family, during this very "Dim" time in their lives.



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**Gloria A Coleman Brown** - January 09, 2024 at 08:47 PM

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“ Too Aaron & The Johnson Family You Have My Deepest Sympathy Praying For You & Your Family. Victoria G Francis ( Sr Usher)



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**Victoria G Francis** - December 22, 2023 at 05:58 PM

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“ Dear Cousins, we are saddened by Cousin Wilfred's passing and we also encourage you to continue on your personal journey that was begun with the union of Wilfred & Eunice. Know that because God loves you, you do not walk this journey alone; He walks with you. Trust Him for your healing.  
Peace and Love,  
Ed & Frances

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**Ed & Frances Ventress** - December 21, 2023 at 01:19 PM

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*To my Classmate Aaron Johnson Be Encourage Always for the GOD we serve makes no Mistakes Praying for you and Your Family Be Bless Always Norita R Coleman L B Landry Class of 1973 🙏🙏🙏🙏*

**Norita Richards Coleman L B Landry 1973** - December 22, 2023 at 08:59 AM

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*To the Johnson family  
Mr. Wilfred will be greatly missed, however he left a part of him in each of you.  
Cherish the memories and keep the legacy alive.  
My prayers are with you and celebrate a life, well lived.  
Humbly  
Carla Brooks, Katy, Texas*

**Carla Brooks** - December 22, 2023 at 12:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Wilfred "Dick" Johnson, Sr..*



December 19, 2023 at 11:50 AM