



## Gary Johnson

December 15, 1947 - March 16, 2022

On March 16, 2022, Gary Lee Johnson, loving husband, father of four, Papa of 10 and great grandfather of four, passed away after a long battle with Lewy Body Dementia.

Gary was born on Dec. 15, 1947, to Leo and Vivian (Betts) Johnson in Belknap, IL. He worked for the Illinois Central Railroad for many years and had a passion for trains. In 1988 he moved his family to Woodstock, IL to take a job with the United States Postal Service retiring in 2008.

Gary loved being home with his family, watching movies, eating a home cooked meal, being outdoors and cars. Gary taught his children and grandchildren how to be honest, caring and how to love. He was known for his quick wit, beautiful singing voice and compassionate spirit.

He is survived by his wife, Louetta (Fox) Johnson, daughters Tonya (Mike) Anderson, Heather (Jon) Rach and Amber (Tim) Halvey, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, sisters Barbara (Jim) Henry, Leisa (Gene) Hudson, and brother-in-law Bob Lingle.

Gary was preceded in death by his first wife Marie (French), daughter Kim Ahrens, his parents, and sister Ruth Lingle.

Graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Friday, March 25, Vienna Fraternal Cemetery, Vienna , IL. A celebration of life will be from 2pm-4pm at Bailey Funeral Home, Vienna, IL.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Lewy Body Dementia Association [www.LBDA.org](http://www.LBDA.org) or Shriners Hospitals for Children at [www.donate.lovetotherescue.org/give](http://www.donate.lovetotherescue.org/give).

# Cemetery Details

## Vienna Fraternal Cemetery

N. 6th Street  
Vienna, IL

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAR 25. 1:00 PM (CT)

Vienna Fraternal Cemetery  
N. 6th Street  
Vienna, IL

## Celebration of Life

MAR 25. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
(618) 658-2311  
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com  
<https://baileyfh.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ Gary Johnson

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ Dear Lou, Leisa, and Tonya,

*I had hoped to join you in your celebration of life for Gary today, but unfortunately I can't make it. His larger than life smile, his kindness and understanding and pure joy of even small happenings are forever etched in my memory. He was a true and loyal friend with whom I shared many happy times as a teenager. In every way, to me, he was a loving brother. During good times and bad, we understood and supported each other and went on to share the lives of our young families. Time and life and distance eventually parted our contact but did not dim the love and respect we had for each other and for our families who became joined with the marriage of Mike and Tonya. It was comforting to think of him being there. Though he is gone, he is not forgotten. My heart aches for Lou and Tonya and all of your family for the long-suffering goodbye that his illness caused. I'm sure he would much rather have smiled, hugged, and waved, "I'll be seeing you!" I know you will cherish the love of all of your years together and the fondness of memories shared.*

*Please accept my sympathy and love,  
Noweda (Blades) McNeill*

Noweda McNeill - March 25, 2022 at 12:52 PM

DM

“ Dawn Maloney lit a candle in memory of Gary Johnson



Dawn Maloney - March 24, 2022 at 03:04 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gary Johnson.



March 24, 2022 at 11:27 AM

TR

“ Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Gary Johnson



Teresa Richerson - March 21, 2022 at 07:59 AM

JR

“ James And Diane Rainbolt lit a candle in memory of Gary Johnson



James and Diane Rainbolt - March 21, 2022 at 01:22 AM

MS

“ My heart goes out to Gary's family. Gary came into my life when he married my dear friend, Louetta Fox, and from that moment he was like a brother to me. I loved his positive attitude, sense of humor and quick wit. But mostly, the love he had for his family was undeniable. I will miss Gary beyond measure and will hold him in my heart until we meet again.  
Marilyn "Auntie M" Sears

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**Marilyn McGee Sears** - March 20, 2022 at 10:40 PM

VS

“ Velva Struble lit a candle in memory of Gary Johnson



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**Velva Struble** - March 20, 2022 at 08:26 PM

NB

“ Nancy Breeden lit a candle in memory of Gary Johnson



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**Nancy Breeden** - March 20, 2022 at 05:24 PM

GM

“ Gene McHugh lit a candle in memory of Gary Johnson



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**Gene McHugh** - March 20, 2022 at 04:13 PM

KB

“ Karen (Evans) Brumley lit a candle in memory of Gary Johnson



Karen (Evans) Brumley - March 20, 2022 at 01:05 PM

JS

“ John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Gary Johnson



John Slack - March 20, 2022 at 10:36 AM

JS

Dear Lou and Family, deepest sympathy for your loss. Gary was a fine man and a good friend for many years. Sending love and prayers.

John Slack - March 20, 2022 at 10:38 AM

LM

“ Larry & Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of Gary Johnson



Larry & Carolyn McGill - March 20, 2022 at 10:12 AM