

## *I'm Free*

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard him call,  
I turned my back and left it all  
I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work or play  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I've found that peace at the close of day  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah yes, these things I too will miss  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow  
My life's been full, I've savored much,  
Good friends, good times, my loved one's touch  
If my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief  
Lift up your heart, rejoice with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free.

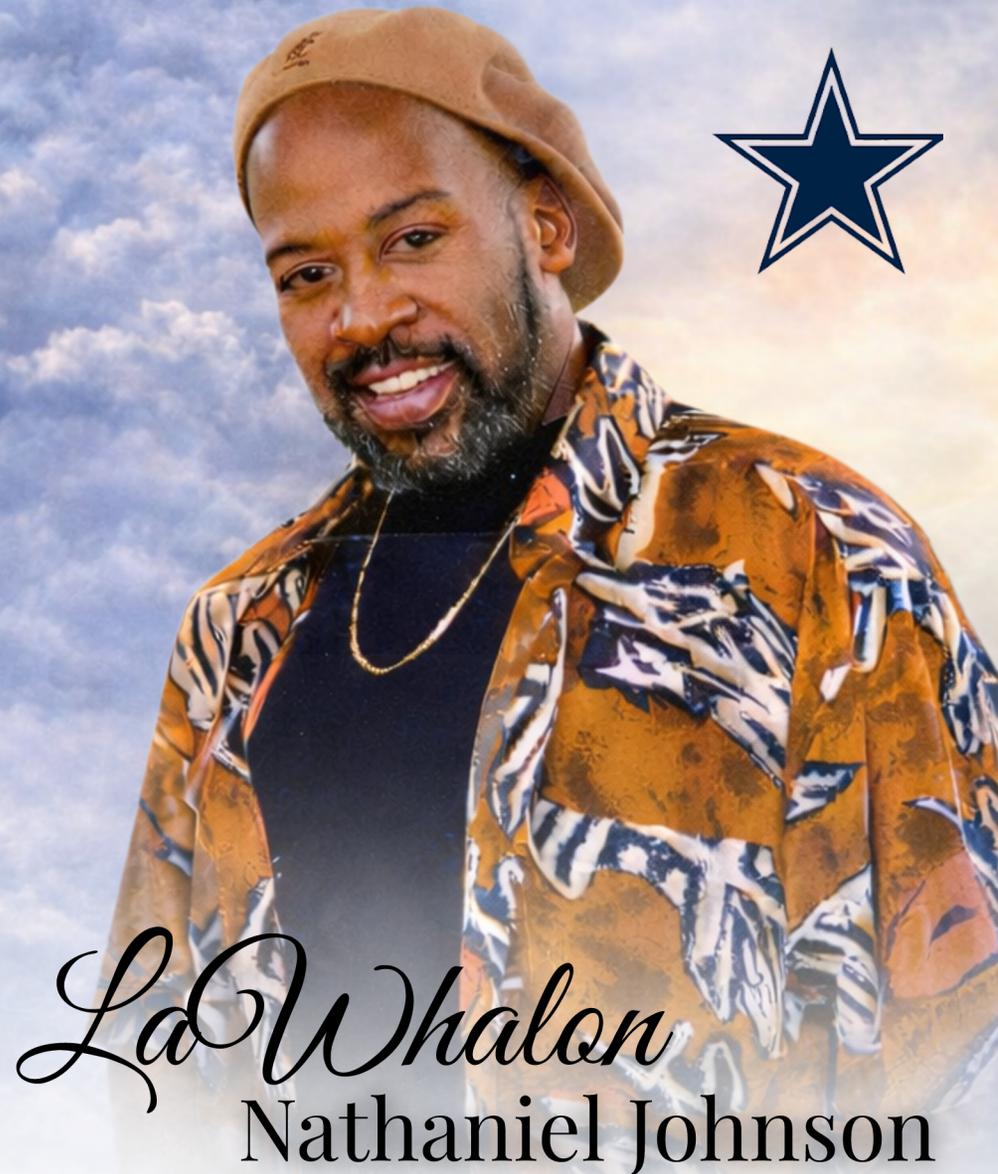
## *Acknowledgement*

The family of LaWhalon Nathaniel Johnson wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all the many acts of kindness shown during their time of bereavement. Your prayers, visits, calls, flowers, and other expressions of love have been a great source of comfort. May God continue to bless each of you.

# *In Loving Memory*

JULY 12, 1963

JANUARY 27, 2026



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# Obituary

LaWhalon Nathaniel Johnson also known as "Lou" was born on July 12, 1963, to Jo Ann Johnson and Robert Davis. He was lovingly raised by his mother and stepfather, Johnnie C. Johnson. His early childhood was spent on a U.S. military base in Zweibrücken, Germany, where he developed the resilience, curiosity, and strength that would define him throughout his life.

The family later made their home in Tulsa, Oklahoma. There LaWhalon accepted Christ at a young age and was baptized by the late Rev. C.L. Potter and a member of Antioch Baptist Church. He attended John Burroughs Elementary School, Madison Middle School, and graduated from Tulsa Central High School. He continued his education at the Bryan Institute, earning a business degree in computer programming.

LaWhalon built a proud work history with several of Tulsa's most respected establishments, including John F. Lawhorn's, Fo-Mac, Nelson's Cafeteria, and the Tulsa Country Club. He was known for his smile, kindness, work ethics, assurance and steady presence he brought to every workplace.

He had a deep love for the outdoors. Whether fishing, walking, or simply enjoying the beauty of nature, LaWhalon found peace and joy in the world around him. Neighbors often saw him on his long walks, greeting everyone with a warm smile, a friendly wave, and a bit of humor that could brighten anyone's day.

A devoted sports fan, he held a lifelong loyalty to the Dallas Cowboys. But more than sports, LaWhalon lived by a simple and powerful belief: that life should be lived with truth, intention, and trust in God for whatever comes next. To those who knew him, he was a friend, a protector, and a steady shoulder to lean on. His loyalty ran deep, and his kindness was unwavering.

LaWhalon was preceded in death by his mother, Jo Ann Johnson (2019), and his brother-in-law, Jerald Clapp (2018). He leaves to cherish his memory his father, Johnnie C. Johnson; his sister, Latresa Johnson; his nephew, Devontae Johnson; and his niece, Jerica Clapp. He is also survived by his extended siblings Fay Johnson-Hill (and brother-in-law Tony Hill), Antionette Vincent, and Raychael Johnson, along with a large and loving circle of nieces, nephews, cousins, family members, and friends who will forever feel the loss of his gentle spirit.

LaWhalon's life was a testament to strength, resilience, genuine kindness, and heartfelt faith. He will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by all who were blessed to know him.

# Order of Service

## Processional

Clergy, Funeral Directors, & Family

## Comfort from the Scriptures

Old & New Testament - Reverend M. C. Potter

## Prayer of Comfort

Pulpit

## Musical Selection

## Reflections of his Life

Tribute Video

## Resolution & Acknowledgement

Pulpit

## Special Remarks

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## Words of Comfort

Pastor Renee Ervin

## Recessional

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