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PALLBEARERS

Doug Johnson ~ Lonnie Davis
Darron Motton ~ Alphonso Grant
John Motton ~ Martin Whaley
Leonard Motton ~ Charles Willis

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Ryan Bittinger ~ Joseph M. Mann
Walt Cloyd ~ Ray McElvene
Jacob Ellzey ~ Joe Porter

FLOWER BEARERS

Nieces and Friends

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of Levon Johnson wishes to express our sincere appreciation for all the prayers, phone calls, visits and many other acts of kindness shown during this difficult time. We are truly touched by the outpouring of compassion and support from family, friends, coworkers and well-wishers.

The family would also like to extend a special thank you to New Birth Christian Ministries – Pastor Yaves M. Ellis and the Bereavement Ministry and New Covenant Believers' Church – Bishop Howard Tillman - Empowerment Zone Ministry for their support.

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LIFE OF



LEVON I.
Johnson



MAY 30, 1966 — JUNE 17, 2025

Obituary

Levon Lee Johnson, age 59, a loving husband, father, son, brother, uncle and friend passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at St. Ann's Hospital, Westerville, OH. His passing has left a void in the hearts of his family, friends, and the many lives he touched.

Levon's life on earth began in Meridian, Mississippi on May 30, 1966. He is the son of John and Juanita Motton Sr. He graduated in 1985 from Walnut Ridge High School. He attended Arizona State University and the University of Tennessee at Martin. He majored in criminal justice and played safety for both college teams. Yes, he was a big safety!

With over 25 years at Coca-Cola, Levon was a loyal and dedicated employee. As a merchandiser, he developed many long-term friendships with fellow Coca-Cola and store employees.

Levon gave his life to Christ at an early age. There was no question that he was a devoted follower and disciple of Jesus Christ. He later joined New Birth Christian Ministries as his church home. Levon was a faithful, loving, caring, respectful and hardworking husband to his wife of 21 years, Tammy. His daughter, Tori, was the apple of his eye and the tug of his heart. He never missed an event that she was involved in. He loved his role as girl dad. Although Levon had a large physical presence, he was a very kind spirit. He had a special way of letting you know that he liked you . . . and that was by picking on you.

Levon and Tammy were participants of the New Covenant Believers' Church – Empowerment Zone Ministry. Through this ministry they grew their faith, cultivated their marriage and strengthened their sense of Sisterhood and Brotherhood. This culture of Brotherhood was the epitome of "Iron Sharpening Iron" with love of family, love of each other and most of all, love of the Lord.

Levon often reminisced about his early days with "the crew" and growing up on Morrison. The thing he loved most of all was spending time with his family. He also enjoyed family gatherings. Traveling with family and friends, watching and talking about football with his father-in-law, Lesly, was such an enjoyable time for him. Levon would joke that the Southeastern Conference (SEC) was better than the Big 10 Conference. When it came to the National Football League (NFL), he was hands down a die-hard Pittsburgh Steelers fan.

Levon was preceded in death by his biological mother, Flora Conner and brother, Richard Conner.

His legacy of love will live on through his wife Tammy M. Caffie Johnson and daughter, Tori D. Johnson of Pickerington, OH; parents, John (Juanita) Motton Sr. of Columbus, OH; two sisters, Jacquelyn J. Holmes and Cynthia A. Pratcher of Columbus, OH; six brothers, Douglas R. (Jenita) Johnson, Darron (Bauni) Motton, John (Beverly) Motton Jr., Leonard Motton, Christopher Conner all of Columbus, Ohio and Douglas Conner of Cincinnati, Ohio; sisters-in-law, Adrian Green of Warren, OH and Robin Caffie of Broken Arrow, OK; in-laws, Lesly E. Edmonson and Betty E. Pinkney of Warren, OH; goddaughter Amiyah Butler and godson Braylon Nowlin; Special Cousins Martin Whaley, Mary LaMarr, Stephanie Ross, and Walt Cloyd; Special friends Charles Willis, Lonnie Davis, Michael Glasco, Michael Benjamin and Shawn Walker; and a host of nieces and nephews.

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Levon was a strong believer and lived his life to reflect the teachings of the Word and his parents. Levon was adored not only by his wife and daughter, but also by his siblings, his nieces and nephews and a host of other extended family members and friends.

When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

*When tomorrow starts without me,
And I'm not there to see,
If the sun should rise and find your eyes
All filled with tears for me,
I wish so much you wouldn't cry
The way you did today,
While thinking of the many things,
We didn't get to say.
I know how much you love me,
As much as I love you,
And each time that you think of me,
I know you'll miss me too.
But when tomorrow starts without me,
Please try to understand,
That an angel came and called my name,
And took me by the hand,
And said my place was ready,
In heaven far above,
And that I'd have to leave behind
All those I dearly love.
So when tomorrow starts without me,
Don't think we're far apart,
For every time you think of me,
I'm right here, in your heart.*

Remember Me

*To the living, I am gone,
To the sorrowful, I will never return,
To the angry, I was cheated,
But to the happy, I am at peace,
And to the faithful, I have never left.*

*I cannot speak, but I can listen.
I cannot be seen, but I can be heard.
So as you stand upon a shore gazing at a beautiful sea,
As you look upon a flower and admire its simplicity,
Remember me.*

*Remember me in your heart:
Your thoughts, and your memories,
Of the times we loved,
The times we cried,
The times we fought,
The times we laughed.
For if you always think of me, I will never have gone.*

Order Of Service

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NBCM Bereavement Ministry

ORGAN PRELUDE
Minister Lee Buster Grant

PARTING VIEW

SCRIPTURE READING
*Elder Wingrove Alleyne Sr.
Old Testament ~ Psalm 34:1-4
New Testament ~ John 14:1-3; 6*

PRAYER
Elder Vince Coleman

SELECTION
Minister Lee Buster Grant – “I Can Only Imagine”

REMARKS
*2 minute limit Tori Johnson, Minister Darren Caffie,
Joe Porter and Jacob Ellzey*

SILENT READING OF OBITUARY

SELECTION
Minister Lee Buster Grant – “My Life Is In His Hands”

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