

**M**ichael Lee Johnson was born on November 12, 1958 at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls S.D. He was the second of five children born to Paul and Crystal Johnson. Mike was raised in Garretson, SD with his parents and siblings. As a child, he and his siblings loved spending time with his cousins and often visited Spirit Lake, IA. They enjoyed going to Arnolds Park at Lake Okoboji and would ride the rides and eat seemingly infinite amounts of cotton candy.

Michael attended grade school through high school in Garretson, SD. After high school he joined the Army and was stationed at White Sands, NM. In 1981 he married Debbie (Tran-Brock) Johnson, and in October of 1982 they were blessed with their first child, Jeremy Johnson, who was followed by their daughter Kasee Johnson in April of 1984. Upon his departure from service in the Army, Michael worked at Triple R Paving with his brother James. Later he drove truck for Kroeger Materials, Myrl and Roy's Paving, and even the BIG dump truck that worked the quarry in Sioux Falls.

Michael slowed down and enjoyed the relaxed pace of retirement. He found an old camper and loved fishing and camping along the Sioux River and the lakes in northeast South Dakota and eventually settled down in the small town of Roslyn, SD. He enjoyed fishing, going to church, listening to church seminars, and helping his neighbors.

Michael is survived by his daughter, Kasee Johnson (Kevin Lewis); three grandchildren: Jeremee, Kyleena, Gracie, and a great grandson on the way; his mother, Crystal Johnson; two brothers: Stephen (Carol) Johnson, Daniel Johnson; and a sister Valerie Johnson. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and friends.

He is preceded in death by his son, Jeremy Johnson; his father, Paul Johnson; a brother, James "Jimmy" Johnson; and a nephew, Benjamin Nelson.

# *In Memory Of* **Michael Lee Johnson**

November 12, 1958 † January 22, 2025

## **Memorial Service**

1:00 PM

Tuesday, March 25, 2025  
Minnehaha Funeral Home  
Garretson, South Dakota

## **Clergy**

Rev. Greg Johnson

## **Pianist**

Carol Johnson

## **Congregational Hymn**

“What A Friend We Have in Jesus”  
“Beautiful Savior”

## **Special Music**

Rev. Greg Johnson, Guitar  
“Amazing Grace”

## **Interment**

Norway Lutheran Cemetery  
Garretson, South Dakota

## **Military Honors**

Henry G. Fix Post No 23  
The American Legion  
Garretson, South Dakota



## *Psalm 103*

*Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.*

*Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:  
Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;*

*Who redeemeth thy life from destruction;  
who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;*

*Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things;  
so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.*

*The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.*

*He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.*

*The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.*

*He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for ever.*

*He hath not dealt with us after our sins;  
nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.*

*For as the heaven is high above the earth, so  
o great is his mercy toward them that fear him.*

*As far as the east is from the west,  
so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.*

*Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear him.*

*For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.*

*As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.*

*For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone;  
and the place thereof shall know it no more.*

*But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that  
fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;*

*To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his  
commandments to do them.*

*The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens;  
and his kingdom ruleth over all.*

*Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his  
commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.*

*Bless ye the LORD, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure.*

*Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion:  
bless the LORD, O my soul.*

*The family of Michael Lee Johnson thanks you for your presence  
and support. They invite you to refreshments and fellowship at the  
funeral home following the memorial service.*



# *A Life Remembered*

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