



James Herschel Johnson

May 7, 1926 - August 23, 2015

On the afternoon of August 23, 2015, James Herschel Johnson, age 89, answered that last call to service and went to be with the God who created him. Herschel was born in Luthersville, Georgia on May 7, 1926 to the late Henry Franklin and Lizzie Gill Johnson. He was preceded in death by his wife of 54 years, Florine Bowie Johnson in 2003. Also preceding him in death were his sisters and brothers-in-law Henrietta and Murray Plant, Mary Ann and Bob Ackerman. Herschel was a member of The Greatest Generation and served in the Navy during World War II. He was a Navy Seabee on the island of Okinawa. Herschel worked for the Newnan Fire Department from July 1941 until July 31, 1991 and retired with the rank of Captain. His off-duty time was spent on his beloved farm land in Meriwether County. He had been a member of First Baptist Church for 67 years. Surviving him are his daughter and son-in-law Rosalind Johnson and her husband Jimmy; his granddaughter Susie Tollerson. Also surviving are his sister, Betty Smith and her husband Edward; brother, Pete Johnson and his wife Ann. There are also nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends. Funeral arrangements are by McKoon Funeral Home at 38 Jackson Street where the family will receive friends on Tuesday evening between 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. The funeral service will be on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at 2:00 PM in the McKoon chapel with Dr. Gene Tyre and Dr. Jimmy Patterson officiating. The interment with appropriate military honors will be at Forest Lawn Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to either Newnan First Baptist Church or

Bethel Baptist Church in Luthersville. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com. McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Memorial Park

656 Roscoe Road
Newnan, GA 30263

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 25. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
care@mckoon.com

Service

AUG 26. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CM

“ *To the Family of Herschel Johnson, Dec. 8, 2015*

I am just now learning about Herschel. I am so sorry , he was a good friend of mine at Luthersville School and we used to be close neighbors. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

*Calvin & Marie Massey
LaGrange, Ga.*

Calvin Massey - December 08, 2015 at 11:35 AM

JM

“ *So sorry to hear about Mr. Herschel. I have wonderful memories, always enjoyed seeing him at Bank Of America. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. He was a good man.*

Judy Miller - September 08, 2015 at 01:25 AM

MC

“ *Rosalind and all the family, I was so sorry to read about your father! What a wonderful write up of your father! I wish that I had known him! I hope to see you soon! Martha Lee and Joe Child*

Martha Lee Child - August 28, 2015 at 11:06 PM

LS

“ *Our prayers are with Rosalind, Jimmy and Susie, as well as with Pete and Ann and all the family. We love all of you and ask that God be with you and comfort you. Blessings! Lynn and Winston Skinner*

Lynn and Winston Skinner - August 25, 2015 at 10:02 PM

FF

“ I am sorry to hear of his passing. He was a good man. My prayers are with the family.

FRANK FARMER - August 25, 2015 at 10:16 AM

DB

“ I was so sorry to hear the news of Mr Johnson`s passing away yesterday I cannot begin to tell you how much that I thought of and enjoyed meeting and talking to Mr Johnson thorough the years while working at cracker barrel he was so sweet and enjoyable .I want to express my sincere condolences to Mr Johnson's sweet family and to let you no that you are in my thoughts and prayers always !!

Debbie Brice - August 24, 2015 at 09:15 PM