



## John C. Johnson

September 18, 1939 - October 10, 2021

John C. Johnson, 82, of rural Wapakoneta, died 3:39 a.m., Sun. Oct. 10, 2021, at his home with his family at his side. He was born Sept. 18, 1939, in Toledo, OH, the son of the late Carl E. & Maxine (Betts) Johnson. On Sept. 7, 1963, he married Dianna S. King, and she preceded him in death on Nov. 21, 2020.

Survivors include,

2 children, Greg (Mindy) Johnson, Wapakoneta,

Tricia White, Wapakoneta;

5 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren;

a brother, James (Vivienne) Johnson, Brisbane, Australia,

a sister, Carol (Jon-dec) Klaus, Old Zionsville, PA,

a brother-in-law, Ron (Carol) King, Atlanta, GA,

a sister-in-law, Elaine (Terry) Nichols, Columbus, OH.

John was an easygoing guy and always kept a positive outlook. His sense of humor and laid back personality earned him many friends throughout his lifetime. It was unusual to go anywhere with him where he did not meet up with an old friend, or leave with newfound ones.

In his early career he worked as a barber, operating his own shop in downtown Wapakoneta. He went on to start his own business as an independent contractor in the early 1980s and continued to work up until this

year.

When he wasn't busy working, he loved being outdoors, tending his farm and bow hunting. He was happiest sitting in a tree stand in the middle of the woods with his bow, waiting to spot the 'big one'. He was a skilled archer and excellent marksman and won many awards and trophies competing in archery competitions. In his earlier years, he enjoyed playing amateur softball and played for several teams and even sponsored teams of his own. If you found him indoors, it was usually to catch a baseball game or watch college football. He never missed rooting for the Buckeyes.

He is loved by so many and we will miss him more than he will ever know. We take some measure of comfort knowing his long, hard struggle is over and he is finally united with his beloved wife whom he so desperately missed, and pray they are both at peace in the presence of God.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m., Thursday, October 14, 2021, at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta, with Pastor Doug Pretorius officiating. Burial is to follow in the Resthaven Memory Gardens, near Moulton, OH. The family will receive family and friends from 11 a.m. until time of the service, Thursday, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions made be made to American Cancer Society. Condolences may be expressed at [www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com](http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Resthaven Memory Gardens

C.R. 33A  
St. Marys, OH 45885

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **14**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory  
1102 Lincoln Ave.  
Wapakoneta, OH 45895  
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com  
<http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com>

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

TB

“ *Deepest sympathy to John and Dianne family, sincere regards to Carol and Jim.*

*Tom Betts*

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**Tom Betts** - October 16, 2021 at 04:42 PM

CK

“ *We just want to let you know how sorry we are. John was a great guy, always so kind. He did a lot of work for us over the years. You are in our prayers. Mel and Connie Klima*

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**Connie Klima** - October 14, 2021 at 11:26 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John C. Johnson.*



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October 13, 2021 at 12:24 AM

BW

“ Dear Johnson family,  
Please accept our sincere sympathy in the death of your dad.  
Nothing can take away the memories you made with him and your  
mom  
He was a classmate of mine. He was always friendly and willing to  
help me if he could. John was my replacement window man and  
took a lot of pride in his work..  
May God comfort you.

*Bob and Shirley Wiesenmayer*

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**Bob Wiesenmayer** - October 12, 2021 at 10:05 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the  
family of John C. Johnson.



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October 12, 2021 at 04:24 PM

JC

“ John was a wonderful man and my neighbor. He had a heart of gold  
and was a caring person. The world will miss this man....and so will  
I as I have known him all my life. Rest in peace, John.

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**John Curry** - October 11, 2021 at 08:53 PM

PB

“ *Deepest sympathy to John and Dianne’s family and friends. Many fond memories of family events when Max and Carl were having gatherings at the farm. Carl’s deep voice calling out “all the Betts and sons of Betts time to eat.” John had that great voice. May memories of better times provide comfort to you all.*

*Pat Betts Bennett*

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**Pat Betts Bennett** - October 11, 2021 at 05:44 PM

GW

*Deepest sympathy to all the family. Blessings and Peace to all.*

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**Gloria Whitmore** - October 17, 2021 at 12:56 PM