



Dale Edward Johnson

August 13, 1930 - July 14, 2011

Dale E. Johnson, 80, of Charlotte passed away July 14, 2011. Dale was born August 13, 1930 in Nahma, Michigan to Caleb and Mildred (Nedow) Johnson. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Dale retired from Interstate Highway Construction and Nashville Construction after 30 plus years of service as a heavy equipment operator. He loved playing cards and woodworking. Dale was a member of American Legion Post 42 and a charter member of Charlotte Eagles #3552. He and his wife Audrey loved to spend summers in the Upper Peninsula where he grew up. He is survived by his wife of 30 years Audrey Mae (Betz) Johnson; children Kathy Ford, Alan (Katie) Johnson, Sara (Larry) Lige and Lesli Johnson; step-children Sherry (Gary) Copenhaver, Michael Wood and Matthew Wood; grandchildren Randy Pitcher, Troy (Wendy) Pitcher, Shawn (Steve) Schmidt, Kris (Casey) Latchaw, Mark Wood, Calee Johnson and Hunter Johnson. He was greatly loved by many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. He is also survived by siblings Melba Lund, Bob Johnson, Jeanie (Jim) VanRemortal, brother-in-law Ross Guertin and sister-in-law June Johnson; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by brother Leroy Johnson, sister Janice Guertin, sister-in-law Donna Johnson and brother-in-law Melvin Lund. Funeral Services will be 2:00 pm Monday, July 18, 2011 at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with Reverend Phil Hobson officiating. Visitation will be 4:00-7:00 Saturday, July 16, 2011 with an Eagles Service at 7:00 PM at Pray Funeral Home. Interment will be in Perry Cemetery. If desired, memorial contributions

may be made to American Legion Post 42 or Great Lakes Hospice. Online condolences may be made at www.prayfuneral.com. Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, MI.

Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Dale Edward Johnson



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - July 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Audrey I am so sorry to hear about Dale's death. I haven't seen you for quite a long time but I want you to know I am thinking about you in your time of grief. I read about Dale in the paper dated July 24th. Said the funeral was Monday at 2pm what I didn't realize was it was the 18th and not the following Monday. I went to Prays for the funeral but I was a week late. Please know that I would have been there if I would have known in time. Take care. Kara

Kara Morales (Holt) - July 27, 2011 at 11:32 AM



“ When ever I went up north there were always somebody going Fishing and I always wanted to go but My Dad always snuck out without me and would say Sammy we went fishing this morning but you didn't get up in time, Sorry maybe tomorrow. So when I finally got to go in Uncle Jim's wooden boat..... The damn thing broke down in lake michigan in the middle of a rain storm with waves that would wash you out of the boat as I was hiding as far under the bow of the boat as I could scared to death!

Sara (Johnson) Lige - July 17, 2011 at 09:30 AM

SM

“ To Sara and her entire family - Going through the loss of a parent at any time is more than you can ever be prepared for. Just remember all the good times, the laughs, and the things that made him who he was on this earth! Remember to that you haven't lost your loved one, you know where he is and you will see him again! This is what gets me through since losing my dad, in March. God be with all of you during this time. Remember how short our life is on earth, and cherish the times with each other.

Stormie Munoz - July 16, 2011 at 06:06 PM

WC

“ Dear Audrey and family, I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. I didn't know Dale but from what I read in his obituary and saw in the photos on this site, he looked like a wonderful man. Blessings to all of the family. Wilma (CHS Class of '54)

Wilma Campbell - July 16, 2011 at 04:22 PM

WP

“ My favorite memory of Grandpa is going up to his cottage in the U.P. While we were there he made the best chicken and dumplings I have ever had. With all my love Grandpa, and thank you for making me feel like a special Granddaughter. Oh and I will never forget the baby bottle incident :)

Wendy Pitcher - July 16, 2011 at 02:45 PM

SH

“ My favorite Grandpa Johnson memory....When I was a broke college kid, I was working at Carters. I had NO money. Grandpa came in for groceries and we talked. Later, I found twenty dollars in my smock pocket. He knew I wouldn't have taken it from him and he snuck it in. He was a wonderful Grandpa in so many ways!

Shawn - July 16, 2011 at 11:21 AM

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Shawn Schmidt - July 16, 2011 at 10:28 AM

CK

“ We are very sorry for your loss. Gods blessings for peace and strength . Love and Prayers Chris and Michael Kreger

Chris & Michael Kreger - July 16, 2011 at 05:27 AM

PO

“ I am sorry for your loss Lesli..God bless.

Peggie Oefelein - July 15, 2011 at 10:30 PM