



Joseph Michael Johnson

September 24, 1952 - March 1, 2026

Joseph "Mike" Johnson, 73, a dedicated and dependable man, passed away on Sunday, March 1, 2026. Mike was born September 24, 1952 in Mason, the son of Sanford Joseph and Marilyn Anne (Frye) Johnson. He worked for General Motors for over 30 years, retiring as Production Line Supervisor. Over the decades, Mike not only built a strong career but also formed many meaningful friendships that he truly valued.

Mike found happiness in the simple things. He loved listening to good music, spending quiet days fishing, and making memories at the family cabin in Irons, MI - a place that meant so much to him and those with which he shared it. A loyal and enthusiastic Spartan fan, he took great pride in cheering on his team during football and basketball season. He was also a big supporter and fan of the Lions and the Tigers. Mike loved his pets throughout the years, especially his beloved dogs, Zeus, Jasper and Boutwell. Above all, Mike will be remembered for his strong work ethic, his kind heart, and the lasting impact he made on everyone who knew him. His presence will be deeply missed, and his memory will be cherished always.

Mike is survived by his beloved wife of 39 years, Jane Johnson; his mother, Marilyn Johnson; daughters, Kori and Meriah Johnson; step-children, Todd (Amber) Miller and Nikkie (Mike) Whitely; grandchildren, Bryce (Ally) White, CJ Miller, Theresa Miller, Thane Miller, Trevor Lyons, Trent Lyons, Tate Lyons,

Jay Crone, Caleb Crone, Kyle Crone, and Rylie Crone; and his sister, Sally Johnson. He was predeceased by his father and his sister, Sheri Gonzalez.

Friends are encouraged to support Mike's family by attending a Celebration of Life Open House at Tony M's on Friday, March 6, 2026 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., and by sharing memories on his Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com <<http://www.prayfuneral.com>>. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the Eaton County Humane Society. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Previous Events

Memorial Celebration

MAR 6. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Tony M's
3420 S. Creyts Rd
Lansing, MI 48917

Tribute Wall

JA

“ One of the best quarterbacks, Mason High School ever had. Sad to hear of your loss. True friend and teammate. John Argersinger

John J Argersinger - March 12 at 12:59 AM

SP

“ Sue Pifer lit a candle in memory of Joseph Michael Johnson



Sue Pifer - March 08 at 11:13 AM

SP

Mike was my moms cousin, he was also my supervisor for a short time, a great man. Fly high Mike <3 you will be missed

Sue Pifer - March 08 at 11:14 AM

KL

“ Always enjoyed working with you Mike! Thanks for making the work place a better place!!
So, rest in peace, friend. I pray you're rejoicing in heaven. 🙏🏻🕊️.
My heart goes out to all your loved ones during this most difficult time. 💔🕊️🙏🏻

Karla Look - March 06 at 01:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Johnson.*



March 04 at 02:44 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joseph Michael Johnson.

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“ *One of the best supervisors that we had at GM. You will have to look long and hard to find even one of his employees that didn't love working for Mike. Rest in peace my friend.*

Randy Thayer - March 04 at 06:56 AM



“ *Jimmy And Donna Adkins lit a candle in memory of Joseph Michael Johnson*



Jimmy and Donna Adkins - March 03 at 04:42 PM



“ *Oh Mikey.....I am so sad to miss your celebration of your life. Know that I'm there in spirit with everyone who loves you. 💔 Sally Diller*

Sally Diller - March 03 at 01:00 PM

YS

“ Your Cousin - Virginia Snapp purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joseph Michael Johnson.



Your Cousin - Virginia Snapp - March 03 at 09:33 AM



“ RoxAnne Davison lit a candle in memory of Joseph Michael Johnson



RoxAnne Davison - March 03 at 08:39 AM



Mike was a friend of my brother Paul Davison. He always spoke highly of him.

RoxAnne Davison - March 03 at 08:40 AM



Condolences 🙏

RoxAnne Davison - March 03 at 08:41 AM

KC

“ Kerri C. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Michael Johnson.

Kerri C. - March 02 at 08:38 PM

DB

“ *The Time I spent with Mike was so much fun! He could always make me laugh! He just seemed like family! I had the pleasure of spending a couple of weeks in Germany with Mike and what an absolute Gem! He kept me laughing the entire time! He named his Dog Boutwell! Just the kind of guy you would enjoy being around! Unfortunately, I didn't spend enough time with him! God Bless Mike, Jane and his family! I loved him and miss him!*
Dennis Boutwell

Dennis Boutwell - March 02 at 08:20 PM