



Marian Ruth Johnson

February 2, 1935 - February 6, 2020

Marian Ruth Johnson, 85 of Charlotte, a woman who lived a life of service to her community, died February 6, 2020. Born on February 2, 1935 to Larry and Ruth (Shelton) Wood, Marian went on to earn her Associates Degree and married her high school sweetheart, Robert Johnson, on July 23, 1955. Marian never sat still for long, she enjoyed many activities with her children, grandchildren, and in her community over the years. Musically gifted, Marian enjoyed her time as director of the youth choir at her church, and many years as director of the Charlotte General Federation of Women's Club (GFWC) choir. Marian was also a past-president of the GFWC, delivered many meals over the years for Mobile Meals and served as a treasurer for the organization, and she was Manager of the Gift Basket at Hayes Green Beach Memorial Hospital. Marian was also an avid walker and could be seen walking all over the city of Charlotte.

In addition to serving her community, Marian loved taking care of her family in many ways, including: sewing, baking, cooking amazing holiday meals, and making her famous pastel wafer cookies. Marian and her husband enjoyed trips around the country, playing cards with friends, trips in their motor home to State Parks, skiing in Northern Michigan, and time she could soak up the warm rays of the sun at Gun Lake. Her last words to her family were telling them all how proud she was of them.

Marian is survived by four children, Steve (Jo) Johnson, Sue (Bob) Laurie, Kenneth (Susan) Johnson, Carolyn (Larry) Casler; grandchildren, Kristin (Trent) Miller, Allison Laurie (Josh Friendland-Little), Sarah Johnson, Wes (Chelsea) Johnson, Scott (Hannah) Johnson, Mandy Johnson, Nichole (Alex) Young; great-grandchildren, Graham Casler, Steven Johnson, and Jackson Young; sister, Ellie (Peter) Scibetta; brother, Chuck (Bernell) Wood; and many nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her husband of 55 years, Robert W. Johnson in 2011; grandson, Matthew Casler; and brother, Rod Wood.

Friends are encouraged to support Marian's family at visitation and memorial services. Memorial services are Saturday, February 22, 2020, 3:00 PM at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with her nephew, Larry Wood, as the celebrant. Visitation is Friday, February 21, 2020, 2:00-4:00 PM and 6:00-8:00 PM at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the Sparrow Eaton Hospital Auxiliary or GFWC Charlotte. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Marian on her Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 21. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home
401 W. Seminary St.
Charlotte, MI 48813

Visitation

FEB 21. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Memorial Service

FEB 22. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Marian Ruth Johnson



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 17, 2020 at 03:51 PM

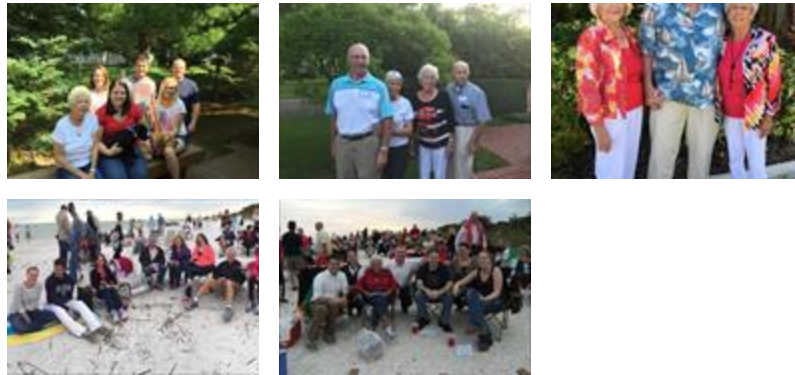
WC

Lovely lady. So happy to have known her. Wilma Campbell

Wilma A Campbell - February 22, 2020 at 05:04 PM

KJ

“ 13 files added to the album Life Tributes



Ken Johnson - February 18, 2020 at 12:31 PM



“ 41 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 17, 2020 at 03:52 PM

PH

“ Our condolences to Mariam’s family. I enjoyed working with Marian in Auxiliary. She often had good ideas to share, did a great job buying for the gift shop and brought yummy baked goods to our sale. She will be missed by all. Keeping the family in our prayers.
Sincerely Patti and Sherm Horn

patti horn - February 16, 2020 at 10:21 AM

SJ

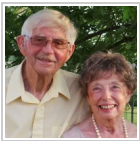
“ Our condolences to the family, friends, and Charlotte community on the passing of Marian Johnson. I had the privilege and honor of working with Marian when she chaired our Hayes Green Beach Memorial Hospital "Golden Key Club" and when I was a member of the Charlotte General Federation of Women's Club. But my fondest memory was when she agreed to lead the Women's Club Choir in "music through the decades" - the highlight of our 75th anniversary celebration for the Charlotte Rotary Club. Always elegantly attired and coiffed and with a brilliant smile, I will remember Marian as a tiny but powerful bundle of energy. Thank you, Marian, for your tireless efforts to improve the Charlotte community. Your spirit lives on in your many and varied contributions and efforts.

Susan Joostberns - February 11, 2020 at 08:36 PM



“ I only knew Marion for a couple years but it was easy to see what an amazing woman she was. Always kind and caring to all. I felt a special bond with Marian. Maybe it was because we both loved to feel the warm sunshine on our faces. Loosing someone like Marian is by far the hardest part of my job. She won't be forgotten.
Love, Charlie from Heather Hills

Charlie Krisel Martinez - February 11, 2020 at 09:41 AM



“ I was in the Charlotte Marching Band with Marion and was a classmate of both Bob and Marion. I recall what a gifted musician she was and how greatly she shared her talents. She was one of the friendliest girls in our class and set an example for all of use. Lois (Hall) Rodgers, class of '52



Lois Rodgers - February 09, 2020 at 03:15 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marian Ruth Johnson .*



February 09, 2020 at 10:42 AM



“ *I cherish all the great memories that Joyce and I shared with Marian and Bob over the past many years. We moved across Horatio Street from them in 1960. Over the past 60 years we enjoyed many activities around town, attending MSU basketball games, group parties at Gun Lake, and skiing in northern Michigan and Colorado.*

I would like to express my sincere condolences to Steve and Jo, Sue and Bob. Ken and Susan, and Carolyn and Larry along with all of the grandchildren and great grandchildren.

I send my thoughts to all of you from Florida.

Rod Yates - February 08, 2020 at 06:11 PM



“ *May you rest in peace, sweet Marian. You will be missed by many.*

Wilma A Campbell - February 08, 2020 at 12:59 PM

BC

“ Aunt Marion was more than an aunt to me. She was a very special next door neighbor to our family on Wheaton Rd. She became a loving friend and an inspiring example of family support. When she and Uncle Bob would go south, our family took care of their home and in return we received a big box of beautiful Florida fruit. Our kids looked forward to the fruit gift and her spontaneous visits to share fresh baked cookies. I will forever be grateful for the memories we shared.
Becky and Mike Curtis family

Becky Curtis - February 08, 2020 at 12:23 PM

VS

“ So sorry for your loss. Marian was a special lady and dear friend. I will miss her very much. RIP

Vonda Stanton - February 08, 2020 at 11:41 AM

AF

“ So very sorry for your loss. Your mom was a sweet lady. I worked with her at the Gift Basket for many years. May she now RIP. ❤️

Angie and Don Foster - February 08, 2020 at 10:41 AM

LR

“ Always love it when your mom would come out to my folk's picking up sweet corn for U all, she was a wonderful lady. Your folks were such good friends with mine, now see each other in heaven and have an awesome time. We are so sorry for your loss and our prayers are for your family at this time.

Larry Ranshaw - February 07, 2020 at 09:40 PM