



## Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson

January 3, 1949 - February 3, 2023

On February 3, 2023 Billy gained his "Heavenly Wings". Although we hated to see him go we know that he is with his Heavenly Father. Billy was a man of Honor and Love. Mr. James "Billy" Johnson was born on January 3, 1949 in Newellton, Louisiana the son of Perry Wade and Rosie Lee Johnson. He passed away at the age of 74 years.

He spent most of his childhood in his hometown before joining the U.S. Army. Billy was a Veteran of the Vietnam War, he received an Honorable Discharge and relocated to Saginaw, Michigan in 1971. It was here that he began working at General Motors Corp. and eventually gained status as a longtime employee leading to his point of retirement. In his life outside of work Billy enjoyed spending time with his immediate and extended family, fishing with friends, and sharing his gift of music through many mediums; including his membership in the band at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church and playing independently with his brother "Poppa" Eugene.

James leaves to cherish his memory, his loving wife, Brenda Boyd-Johnson of Saginaw, MI; five children, Tanesha (John) Eley of Los Angeles, CA, LaToia "Angel" Johnson of Houston, TX, Bonita Johnson of Madison, AL, Sawandi Johnson of Atlanta, GA and Stephon Johnson of Saginaw, MI; two step-children, Tamika (Tony) Boyd-Powell and Latrice (Pierre) Ford, both of Saginaw; 17 grandchildren, Alga, Soteria, Gabriella, Joshua, Jonathon, Khyra,

Kailee, LaKhai, Analicia, Tramia, Lauren, Kortney, June, John, Jaen, Ta'Daviyon and Laila; four great-grandchildren, Emmerie, MaKenzie, Journee and Rudal; one sister, Annie Lee Blair; five brothers, Eugene (Michelle) Blair, Willie Blair, Freddie Blair, James Moore Blair and Jimmy Lee Blair; a host of nieces and nephews, including a special niece, Tanesha Blair; three sisters-in-law, Mildred Southward-Gipson, Pamela (Mosby) Clark and Juanita Boyd; two brothers-in-law, Michael and Jerry Boyd; many other relatives and friends including special friend, Antwan Mims.

Mr. James Johnson was preceded in death by his parents, Perry Wade and Rose Lee Johnson; one sister, Willie Mae "Peaches" Walker; one brother, Isaac "Ray" Blair.

The family would like to express special thanks to Saginaw Senior Care.

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 AM on Friday, February 17, 2023 at Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 N. Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, MI 48607. Pastor Miles Franklin will officiate. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI 48442. Visitation will take place at the funeral home 9:00 a.m. until the time of service.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.  
Holly, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 17. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home  
441 North Jefferson Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48607

## Funeral Service

FEB 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

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441 North Jefferson Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48607

# Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson*



**Browne's Mortuary** - February 17, 2023 at 10:37 AM

BE

*We love you Uncle Billy. Sending my love and prayers to everyone.*

**Bianca Edwards** - February 17, 2023 at 12:23 PM

FB

“ *Sending our deepest condolences to Brenda and the family of Billy.*



**Fazilet William Bond** - February 20, 2023 at 06:04 PM

DJ

“ *Devanise Jackson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson*



**Devanise Jackson** - February 19, 2023 at 09:47 PM

AB

“ *Angela Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson*



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**Angela Brown** - February 17, 2023 at 09:10 PM

TA

“ *Sending my love to my family. Rest in love uncle Billy* 💙



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**Taleisha** - February 17, 2023 at 11:56 AM

AS

“ *Annie L. Blair Baby Sister lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson*



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**Annie L. Blair baby sister** - February 17, 2023 at 10:21 AM

AS

*I will miss you big brother hadn't seen you in awhile but the last time we all was together,we had a great time,that's how I will always remember you. Joyful* ❤️

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**Annie L. Blair baby sister** - February 17, 2023 at 10:24 AM

BG

“ Billy was my neighbor many years ago and gave me my first babysitting job. I was so happy and I was always scared to ask for my paycheck. But I got paid and had fun watching Tanesha n Angel

bernadette greene - February 17, 2023 at 09:36 AM

Jacqueline  
Holmes-  
Irvin

“ Jacqueline Holmes-Irvin lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Jacqueline Holmes-Irvin - February 17, 2023 at 09:20 AM



“ Multicolor Bright Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson.



February 16, 2023 at 01:09 PM

TT

“ Terry Triplett lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Terry Triplett - February 15, 2023 at 10:29 AM

EB

“ Rest on my dear brother, I will miss you, I am missing you now, but I know you are in a better place, Love You, Papa



Eugene Blair - February 14, 2023 at 10:55 AM

EF

“ Eugene Blair & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Eugene Blair & Family - February 14, 2023 at 10:51 AM

AF

“ Alma Johnson & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



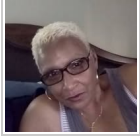
Alma Johnson & Family - February 13, 2023 at 10:51 AM



“ Veronica Roby sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Veronica Roby - February 12, 2023 at 10:12 AM



“ Rest on "Billy Paul", Rest on.....



Phyllis McDaniel - February 11, 2023 at 05:43 PM



“ Mosella Reed & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Mosella Reed & Family - February 11, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ Vermell Griffith Sangster lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Vermell Griffith Sangster - February 09, 2023 at 10:27 PM



“ R. I. H/P Brother-In-Law Billy



Juanita Boyd - February 09, 2023 at 10:17 AM

PA

“ Pamela lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Pamela - February 08, 2023 at 09:08 PM

TR

“ Terry&Emma Richard lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Terry&Emma Richard - February 08, 2023 at 07:50 PM

DR

“ Dorothy Redeemer lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Dorothy Redeemer - February 08, 2023 at 12:25 PM

WS

“ Willie Earl & Carrie Thomas, Sr. sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Willie Earl & Carrie Thomas, Sr. - February 08, 2023 at 12:49 AM

VG

“ *Valorie Green lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson*



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**Valorie Green** - February 07, 2023 at 09:21 PM

YV

“ *YvonneSanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson*



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**YvonneSanders** - February 07, 2023 at 08:13 PM

MB

“ *Michelle Blair lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson*



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**michelle blair** - February 07, 2023 at 01:53 PM

RW

“ *Rita Y Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson*



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**Rita Y Williams** - February 06, 2023 at 09:20 PM

DW

“ Doretta J Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Johnson and his wife Brenda Boyd Johnson.



Doretta J Williams - February 06, 2023 at 05:41 PM

DF

“ Denise Wilburn And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Denise wilburn and family - February 06, 2023 at 01:44 PM

MJ

“ MR.&MRS. MARION W GRIFFITH JR. lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



MR.&MRS. MARION W GRIFFITH JR. - February 06, 2023 at 05:15 AM

MJ

“ MR.&MRS. MARION W GRIFFITH JR. lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



MR.&MRS. MARION W GRIFFITH JR. - February 04, 2023 at 02:25 PM

TF

“ Brother Johnson was Our Bass player on Guitar, truly Loved by his Mount Carmel Church Family, Our most Sincere Prayers to Sister Brenda & The Family of Brother Johnson, truly shall be missed but Loved by us all, Rest In Peace Brother Johnson.... 🙏❤️😭



Theresa Cooper & Family - February 04, 2023 at 01:16 PM

TF

“ My Most Sincere Heartfelt Condolences To the Family of Brother Johnson and Sister Brenda, I am so sorry for your loss, truly Brother Johnson shall be missed By All your Mount Carmel Family 🙏❤️, Continuous Prayers To Sister Brenda & Family, 😭🙏



Theresa Cooper & Family - February 04, 2023 at 09:40 AM

BD

“ Betty Jean Donald sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Betty Jean Donald - February 03, 2023 at 07:13 PM

YC

“ Yvonne Corley lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Billy" Edward Johnson



Yvonne Corley - February 03, 2023 at 06:15 PM