



## Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson

September 27, 1927 - June 27, 2018

Mr. Mander Pete Johnson was called home to our Lord on Wednesday, June 27, 2018 in Sun Lakes, Arizona. He was born on September 27, 1927 in Blackey, Kentucky. Mander was the only child of George and Nannie Mae Johnson.

Mander was a member of Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church in Saginaw, MI and First Baptist Church in Arizona. He was a graduate of Saginaw High School and attended Michigan State University. Mander was a World War II Veteran who served in the Airforce. He also had several businesses including Mobile & Sons gas station, an Auto Supply Shop, provided Men's Clothing & Tailoring services and was the owner of an Income Tax Consulting Service. Mander retired from Michigan Bean Company in 1989 after 37 years of leadership.

In Arizona, he was a member of the American Legend, Sun Lakes Lion Club, Men's Golf Club, Bocee Ball Club and the Lucky 8 Billiards Club. Mander enjoyed playing golf, swimming, traveling, reading, spending time with family, charming others with his stories and alluring everyone with his charismatic smile.

Mr. Mander Pete Johnson was a devote husband, father and grandfather. He leaves to cherish his memory; his beloved wife, Ollie Johnson of 29 years and

his former wife, Ann Johnson; three sons, Charles Hill, Mander Johnson, Jr. and George (Maria) Johnson; four daughters, Diane (William) Donald, Debra (Michael) O'Bryant, Dorothea (Alton) Smith and Martha (James) Sanford; step-daughters, Barbara (Sidney) Addison, Stephanie (William) Vance; step-son, Vergil Simpson; 10 granddaughters, 11 grandsons; eight great-grandchildren; special friends, Fred (Daisy) Thompson, Clyde Robinson, Paul Glaser, Kim Harris, Pam Harris, Lorraine & Al McKinney, Ivory & Shirley Alexander, Billie Bradford, Cookie Henson, Mary Flynn and Darlene Taylor.

Mr. Johnson was preceded in death by sons, Barry and Terrance Johnson; parents, George and Nannie Mae Johnson.

His intelligence, wit and humor will be missed by everyone who had the privilege to know him.

The family would like to express special thanks to all those who have supported us during this time of our loss.

Family hour will take place at 10: 00 a.m. on Friday, July 6, 2018 at Mt. Olive Institutional Missionary Baptist Church, 1114 N. 6th Street, Saginaw, MI 48601, with funeral service commencing at 11:00 a.m. Dr. Marvin T. Smith will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 S. Washington St., Saginaw, MI 48601.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI

# Previous Events

## Family Hour

JUL 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church  
1114 North 6th Street  
Saginaw, MI 48601

## Funeral Service

JUL 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church  
1114 North 6th Street  
Saginaw, MI 48601

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ladi Mannan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Ladi Mannan** - November 08, 2024 at 02:04 PM

MD

“ *Ms. Cherilyn Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Ms. Cherilyn Davis** - September 08, 2018 at 06:34 PM

RT

“ *The Tucker Family*



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**Raymond Tucker** - July 25, 2018 at 08:23 AM

MA

“ My condolences to the family. Pete was a friend of the Clyde and Billie Bowman family for many, many years. He had a wonderful sense of humor and a giving personality. He always sought to educate himself on many subjects. He was a man who was recognized as being smart, witty and genuine. When he was your friend, you had a friend. Rest in peace Pete. Judge Marylin (Bowman) Atkins Detroit, Mi.



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**Marylin Atkins** - July 24, 2018 at 04:17 PM

IV

“ To the family of Mr. Johnson: Heartfelt condolences to you and praying for God to supply all your needs during this difficult period. Mr. Johnson was always a kind and supportive gentleman to his children's friends. So very sorry for your loss. 🌹 . Ivy and Elton Lockings.

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**Ivy** - July 15, 2018 at 09:38 PM

HG

“ Condolences from the Gulley family. Mr. Johnson and his family are like extended family to myself, my parents and siblings. I will always have very fond memories of this great man. Horace (Ramon) Gulley jr.

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**Horace Gulley** - July 10, 2018 at 02:25 PM

SH

“ *The Del ' Valle girls Delia , Lisa and Sarah express our deepest sympathy on the loss of your father. It is with deepest regret we didn't know sooner.  
We would've attended services.  
We often wondered what happened to our childhood friends. God Bless.*

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**Sarah Del ' Valle Huell** - July 10, 2018 at 08:17 AM

JC

“ *Jeanette Champion sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Jeanette Champion** - July 08, 2018 at 12:04 AM

LB

“ *To the johnson family,, my heart is heavy right now and my prayers are with you all. I remember the love and birthday party's we shared with your family. You have a great mom and dad. Those were great memory and they will be with me for the rest of my life. I love you all. God Will bring you through, trust in him. Love your childhood friend. Linda Buckley Bolton. 😊*

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**Linda Bolton** - July 07, 2018 at 09:55 PM

DM

*Deepest sympathy and prayers to the Johnson family at the passing of your father. I have such fond memories of growing up in our south side neighborhood and playing with the Johnson kids. Mr. Johnson ( that's what we neighborhood kids called him) always had a kind word and a bright smile for us and always took the time to listen to what we had to say. May God comfort you in your sorrow. Love, your childhood friend, Delia Del Valle Mills.*

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**Delia Mills** - July 09, 2018 at 03:38 PM



“ *Velissa Batts lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Velissa Batts** - July 06, 2018 at 05:44 PM

CH

“ *Mr Pete was a joy to know. Rest in Peace. Carolyn Spencer Harris*



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**Carolyn Spencer Harris** - July 06, 2018 at 10:33 AM

MB

“ *Melinda Bender lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Melinda Bender** - July 06, 2018 at 08:01 AM

DM

“ *Deborah Mack lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Deborah Mack** - July 05, 2018 at 07:37 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson.*



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July 05, 2018 at 03:45 PM



“ *Mr. Johnson; from your son-in-law. I know I am just a son-in-law however, you always made me feel like so much more. That was one of your many talents, you had the ability to make everyone feel like they were special. No one will ever know how important you were to me and my family; you helped us, taught us, and loved us. I will miss your yearly visits, and the many hours I sat quietly listening to you talk. No one could hold a more meaningful and interesting conversation as you. I will also miss making the pot of vegetable soup you always requested, watching your daughter rush to make you tacos and you cutting the lawn whenever you came to visit as you would say "just for the exercise". I loved your sense of style and choices of cars; the Pontiac Fiero, the Datsun 280z, the Signature Lincoln Continental, and the GMC Conversion Van, which all eventually became mine. We enjoyed them all. I appreciate the wonderful daughter you raised and the example you have been to myself and our kids. To say I will miss you just doesn't express the true sentiment of how our lives will change drastically without you.*  
*Love, James*

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**James Sanford** - July 05, 2018 at 02:42 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson.



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July 05, 2018 at 11:44 AM



“ Renee' Clark, Thu Le Quach and Denise Johnson purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson.



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**Renee' Clark, Thu Le Quach and Denise Johnson** - July 05, 2018 at 08:42 AM



“ Janice Kemp Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



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**Janice Kemp Anderson** - July 05, 2018 at 02:09 AM

MS

“ *Daddy,  
From the time I was a little girl I have adored you. You have been a great Dad and an awesome example of a Man. Words cannot express the gratitude and appreciation I have for you. I am blessed and so very proud to be your daughter. Thank you for greatly contributing to the woman I am. Thank you for your love, good advice and for always, always being here for me. Daddy, my heart is so heavy and I feel lost, but you can rest assured that where ever I am you will always be. I LOVE YOU!  
Always and Forever In My Heart, Your Baby Girl Butchie*

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**Martha Sanford** - July 05, 2018 at 01:31 AM



“ *Marlene Strong lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Marlene Strong** - July 04, 2018 at 09:16 PM

BJ

“ *GrandPa,  
I love the fact that I was born on your Birthday! I truly loved our telephone conversation while at Georgia Tech. You would call me and talk out your experiences in life, and tell me how proud you were of me. I will miss our conversations. You will always be in my heart.  
I will love you forever GrandPa  
Barry*

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**Barry Johnson-Smith** - July 04, 2018 at 01:50 PM

BS

“ GrandPa,

*I will always love and cherish our times together.  
Love Braxton*

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**Braxton Smith** - July 04, 2018 at 01:34 PM

AS

“ Pop,

*I enjoyed spending time with you , laughing, talking and riding in the  
golf cart in Arizona.  
Love AL*

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**Alton Smith** - July 04, 2018 at 01:26 PM

TB

“ *I met Mr. Johnson over 45 years ago when Diane and I were  
roommates at WMU. I will never forget meeting the Johnson family  
and having all of them greet me with a hug. It was as though I  
became a member of the Johnson family on that day and I know  
that kind of love in a family comes from the head, Mr. Johnson. I  
had the pleasure of being at his 90th birthday celebration and I will  
never forget the joy and happiness I saw on this face and that  
beautiful smile. It was such an honor to be there and see the love  
his family showered on him on that and every day.*

*To the family I just say, I am sure he knew how much you all loved  
and adored him. We all loved and adored him because he was a  
gem.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with each and every one of you. Love  
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**Theonas Barry** - July 04, 2018 at 10:43 AM

TS

*From the JILES family to the JOHNSON family, we would to collectively from Mi, Az, & Tx, send to you our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your Beloved Father. May his soul have resting peace.*

TESSAH JILES SANDERS - July 19, 2018 at 02:46 PM

DA

“ Grandpa Pete...  
“I see what’s you’re getting at...  
You will be missed  
Thanks for long stories, and encouraging words...  
I love you..

David - July 04, 2018 at 09:39 AM

HR

“ Praying for the Johnson Family because Jesus lives you can face tomorrow

Helen Biggins Ross - July 04, 2018 at 01:20 AM

  
Chantra  
Williams

“ 3 files added to the album New Album Name



Chantra Williams - July 04, 2018 at 01:17 AM

BR

“ From the Freddie Reed family we send our sincere condolences to the Johnson family. God bless you all always.

Barbara Reed - July 03, 2018 at 03:14 PM

TF

“ *The Bender & Peake Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**The Bender & Peake family** - July 03, 2018 at 02:23 PM

TS

“ *Tom and Lupe Izzo and thee MSU Men's Basketball Staff purchased the Magnificent Life S pray for the family of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson.*



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**Tom and Lupe Izzo and thee MSU Men's Basketball Staff** -  
July 03, 2018 at 12:16 PM

TJ

“ *My condolences to the family for your loss. May God continue to strengthen and bless you all.*

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**Tonia Jackson** - July 03, 2018 at 12:16 PM

TJ

“ *Tonia Jackson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Tonia Jackson** - July 03, 2018 at 12:11 PM

EM

“ Edward and Gina Mason purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson.



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**Edward and Gina Mason** - July 03, 2018 at 11:27 AM

CH

“ Love you granddaddy.  
Thank you for unconditional love.  
Chantra



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**Chantra** - July 03, 2018 at 11:08 AM

EM

“ Edward & Gina Mason lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



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**Edward & Gina Mason** - July 03, 2018 at 10:35 AM

EM

*Mr. Mander (Pete) was a great man who will be missed dearly by his family and by all who knew him. I always enjoyed his visits when he came to town he would stop in at the shop and bring an encouraging word and was a big supporter. Mr. Johnson was easy going, didn't let anything bother him and lived life to the fullest. And to the family, we hold each and everyone dear to our hearts and pray the Lord gives you strength to endure this emptiness you feel at this difficult time. Remember, what the Lord said "out of the body is present with the Lord".. We hope you find peace knowing your loved one IS with our Lord! Jesus Wept!!!*

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**Edward & Gina Mason** - July 03, 2018 at 10:50 AM



“ Cheryl Fentress-Nash lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



Cheryl Fentress-Nash - July 03, 2018 at 08:32 AM



“ Diane Wrenn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



Diane Wrenn - July 02, 2018 at 11:58 PM



“ Pete will truly be missed. He was a great Uncle. Alonzo and I always looked forward to seeing him whenever he was in town. We would always meet up at his favorite place for breakfast. Bob Evans. I can still here him say color girl Uncle Pete is in town. .He was a great support when I lost my father..You could depend on Uncle Pete checking on you. He will be missed. .

Diane Wrenn Long McCray - July 02, 2018 at 11:27 PM



“ Derrell Martin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



Derrell Martin - July 02, 2018 at 09:27 PM

PM

“ To Diane, Debra, Dorothea, Martha, and the entire Johnson family...I have such fond memories of these beautiful people. May God comfort you with his love, and give you all a peace that surpasses all understanding.



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**Patricia Pinner McAdams** - July 02, 2018 at 09:19 PM

LM

“ Pete has started on a new journey and I smile knowing that the Angels has welcome him with open arms. Pete has been my brother-in-law and a friend for over 30 years. If you knew him you know he was a great conversationalist who could keep you smiling and laughing even after he has left your house.. i want say goodbye because he has left me with so many precious memories and we will meet again.



*Lorraine McKinny*

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**LORRAINE Mckinny** - July 02, 2018 at 07:56 PM

JN

“ Jennifer Newell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



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**Jennifer Newell** - July 02, 2018 at 03:01 PM


LT

“ *Linda Troutmon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Linda Troutmon** - July 02, 2018 at 10:30 AM

  
Alexandria  
Adair

“ *Rest peacefully papa Peete! We will truly miss you & your smile! I'll be sure to take care of Granny Ollie for you ❤️ Love always, Rilynn & Alex*



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**Alexandria Adair** - July 01, 2018 at 09:34 PM

BH

“ *Betty Holmes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Betty Holmes** - July 01, 2018 at 08:08 PM

CJ

“ *May God comfort you all with his love and may the joyous life that Pete lived give you peace. We had the pleasure of meeting Pete and Ollie during their visit to SC last year, and we will always remember his humor and the conversations that we shared.*

*Paul and Catherine Johnson*

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**Catherine Johnson** - July 01, 2018 at 03:04 PM

MF

“ *Ms. Ann Ford & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Ms. Ann Ford & Family** - July 01, 2018 at 02:46 PM

FH

“ *Enjoyed meeting him during their vacation to the beach in South Carolina. Full of life and vibrant! He is an encouragement to never stop enjoying life!*

*-Brian and Felicia Hunter*

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**Felicia Hunter** - July 01, 2018 at 01:50 PM

LF

“ *Larry & Yvonne Polk Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Larry & Yvonne Polk Family** - July 01, 2018 at 12:45 PM



“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the family.*

*~ Ann Jordan; J. Jordan(-Ford)*



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**Joselyn Jordan** - July 01, 2018 at 11:37 AM

  
Deanna  
Walton

“ *Sending my deepest condolences to the Johnson family. I will miss Uncle Pete's vibrant and witty spirit. He was truly one of a kind. My prayers are with my Aunt Ollie and his children.* ”



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**Deanna Walton** - June 30, 2018 at 08:52 PM

DA

“ *Dona Austin-Bigby lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson* ”



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**Dona Austin-Bigby** - June 30, 2018 at 05:33 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson.* ”



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June 30, 2018 at 03:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson.* ”



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June 30, 2018 at 02:17 PM

LP

“ *Linda Taylor Prince lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Linda Taylor Prince** - June 30, 2018 at 01:46 PM

LA

“ *Letha Adams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Letha Adams** - June 30, 2018 at 10:16 AM

TH

“ *Tina Houze lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Tina Houze** - June 30, 2018 at 09:17 AM

LP

*The family of Mr.Mander (Pete ) Johnson I I was very saddened by the news of the passing of Pete Johnson to his family I'm asking Jesus to be a fence around all of you*

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**Linda Taylor Prince** - June 30, 2018 at 01:29 PM

DE

“ Hey Granddad, thank you for being great example of man! You always made me feel special and proud to have you as my grandfather. Thank you for loving me and letting me know you were proud of me, which meant the world to me.

dellie - June 30, 2018 at 08:56 AM

SS

“ Sharon Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



Sharon Sanders - June 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM

WG

“ Winkie Green lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



Winkie Green - June 29, 2018 at 08:30 PM

WG

Mr. Pete, fun loving person. His smile was capturing. I loved talking to him. He had lots of wisdom.

Winkie Green - June 29, 2018 at 08:32 PM

SC

“ Our families grew up a block away from each other and Mr. Pete was always a great role model in our neighborhood he will be missed by all that knew him.....The Carruth and Clark family



sona Carruth - June 29, 2018 at 10:06 AM

CL

“ Calvin And Phyllis Little lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



Calvin and Phyllis Little - June 29, 2018 at 09:23 AM

CL

“ Calvin And Phyllis Little lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



Calvin and Phyllis Little - June 29, 2018 at 09:22 AM

MN

“ Mary (Georgia) Nettles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson



Mary (Georgia) Nettles - June 28, 2018 at 01:42 PM

DJ

“Dad,  
You were A Great Father! You never met a stranger! You will always have my heart. Your grandsons Barry and Braxton will always love you and cherish the times they spent being with you and stories about your amazing life. I can close my eyes and see your beautiful smile. Dad you would tell Barry that he was extra special, because he was born on your Birthday. You know me, I would say, Dad you would tell all of your children, grandchildren and great grandchildren that each of us was extra special. You made all of us feel this way.  
My heart is so heavy.  
I know you are with your Dad, Mother, Terry and Barry.  
Just know that I will always love and need you in my life.  
Love Dorothea

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**Dorothea Johnson** - June 28, 2018 at 12:08 PM

GE

“My Dad, is the greatest... Best example of a father and friend... My Dad is and will always be my role model. Dad I love ... Please continue to watch over and send me messages ... I will always need you.

Your youngest son

George ...

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**George** - June 28, 2018 at 10:14 AM

MF

“ *Ms. Brenda Bryant-Reynolds & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



**Ms. Brenda Bryant-Reynolds & Family** - June 28, 2018 at 09:31 AM

FS

“ *Faye Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



**Faye Sanders** - June 27, 2018 at 09:07 PM

YS

“ *Yvonne Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



**Yvonne Sanders** - June 27, 2018 at 08:34 PM

RW

“ *Diane praying for you and your family during this difficult time.  
I love you.  
Sincerely  
Grandma Rita*



**Rita M Williams** - June 27, 2018 at 08:01 PM



“ *Joanie Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mander "Pete" Johnson*



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**Joanie Williams** - June 27, 2018 at 03:35 PM