



## William Johnson,

December 22, 1947 - January 10, 2008

Family hour will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 18, 2008 at Browne's Mortuary, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, with the funeral commencing at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Marvin T. Smith will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home on Friday from 10:00 a.m. until time of service. William Hershell Johnson, Sr., age 60 years, died at his home Thursday, January 10, 2008. Bill was born in Chattanooga, TN and was the son of the late Walter (Princess) Johnson, Sr. and Imogene Davis of Saginaw, MI. Bill received an honorable discharge from the United States Marine Corps after 11 years of faithful service. He was a licensed mortician/funeral director for a combined period of over 30 years at Browne's Mortuary and Elsie Black Funeral Home in Saginaw, MI. He also worked for the Mass Transit Authority in Flint, MI. He is survived by his two children, William Johnson, Jr. of Saginaw, MI and Akemi (Anthony) Johnson-Mitchell of Brownstown, MI. Also surviving him is a former wife, Agnes Johnson; his mother, Imogene Davis; two brothers, Ronald (Barbara) Reece and Clifford (Toya) Reece; four sisters, Leora (Dewitt) Franklin, Lenora Webb, Clarice (Jim) Taylor and Helen Reece, all of Saginaw, MI; a special uncle, Roosevelt Franklin of Macon, GA; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by one brother, Walter Johnson, Jr.

# Tribute Wall

LL

“ Great guy, we would talk about what books we were reading at the time, our kids and what was happening at work, will miss the guy.  
Larry

Larry D Lutze - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Ronald and Family,  
Our hearts go out to you in this, your hour of sorrow. May God bless and comfort you all.

Lonza L. Simpson - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ My the Lord bless and keep in your time of sorrow and your loss.

Sidney Diggs IV - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ god bless!

al Holiday and Sheryl Williams - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ William Jr. and Mrs. Johnson I am saddend by your lost, my wife told me of this and I wanted to express my condolences.

Things are working very well in VA settling in very fast. Keep in touch, my cell is still the same 989 714 4554, God bless and keep you.

Steven D. Martin - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Please accept our deepest condolences.

*Ken & Patrice Greer*

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**Ken Greer** - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VP

“ Please accept my deepest condolences; I will be praying that God gives you each the comfort you seek; Remember the Happy times.

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**Vyethel Kemp Peterson** - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VM

“ I did not have the opportunity to meet you father, but he must have been a great man to raise such a strong and successful daughter. My deepest sympathy goes out to you and your family during this difficult time.

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**VeRonica mitchell** - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ William will truly be missed, the jovial laughter that filled a room will be missed tremendously.

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**Paula C. Ewing** - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Ronald and Helen -- To the only wise God our Saviour who is the author and finisher of our fate. May the memories of your loved one be with you for a lifetime. God is a comforter and He promised that He would never leave us nor forsake us. Continue to seek the Lord for comfort and peace and joy in knowing that your loved one impacted your life somehow if only for a season. Be Blessed -- Your schoolyard friend Pam Dottery

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**Ms. Pamela J. Dottery** - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *Keeping you in our prayers and that Bill will be misses*

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**Janie Gray & Family** - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *We are sorry to hear about your lost. We wish that we had enough time to come there for you. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Rena Mintz** - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *Akemi and Family,*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you. If you need anything please don't hesitate to ask. I will keep your family in my prayers and I pray that God will be with you and bless you during this time of your loss. God bless you!*

*Deborah Teasley*

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**Deborah Teasley** - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *I hope you all know that we are thinking of you at this difficult time.*

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**Jennifer Wiegert and Family** - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ I will truly miss BJ. We worked together for 15 years at the Civic Center. Back in the day it use to be one big family in the Civic Center. I will never forget when Rodeo came to the Civic Center and someone forgot to lock the Arena Floor over night and the Bulls got out and walked the concourse all night and did number 2 around the concourse. Unfortunately, Labor Crew had to clean up the mess before doors were scheduled to open. BJ supervised the Labor Crew at the time. I was Event Supervisor at the time. Therefore, we had to work as one in that building in order to make things run. If you have ever heard of Murphy's Law-you best to believe it is true, especially while working inside the Civic Center.

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**Ronda Smith** - January 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM