



Charles "Chuck" E. Johnson

March 25, 1935 - March 10, 2017

Charles E. Johnson, 81, of Kearney, died Friday, March 10, 2017 at Mt. Carmel Home.

Memorial services will be at 10:00 am Thursday, March 16, 2017 at First United Methodist Church. The Reverend Melody Adams will officiate. According to his wishes, Mr. Johnson was cremated. Interment of ashes will be at Kearney Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6-8 pm Wednesday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home.

Memorials are suggested to the American Heart Association in Memory of Chuck and his daughter, Denise Johnson, or the American Cancer Society. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com.

Charles E. Johnson was born on March 25, 1935 in Thompson, North Dakota to Peter and Alma (Stavig) Johnson. He grew up in Grand Forks, ND and was a 1953 graduate of Grand Forks High School.

He was united in marriage to Lulu Thorson on October 29, 1955 until their divorce in 1974. On October 18, 1975 Charles married Betty O'Brien Giesenhagen in Holdrege, Nebraska. After which the couple lived in McCook, Nebraska. Charles worked at Lystad's before becoming manager at Ecolab in Kearney. He later started Johnson Pest Control in Kearney.

Charles was a member of First United Methodist Church. Throughout the years he loved traveling with his wife Betty. Some of their most memorable destinations included Alaska, Ireland and several NASCAR Racing Events. For several years Charles and Betty enjoyed snow birding in Alamo, Texas.

Survivors include his son, Randy Johnson and wife Irene of McCook; daughters, Joanne Elliott and husband Butch of Otterville, MO, Doreen Wilcox and husband Dave of Buckeye, AZ and Cindy Johnson of Sedalia, MO; 17 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren; a sister, Clara L. Syverson of Grand Forks, ND; sisters-in-law, Madora of Denver, CO and Jean Johnson of Phoenix, AZ; step-children, David Giesenhagen and wife Deb of North Platte, Jimmy Giesenhagen and wife Vicky of Colby, KS, Darrel Giesenhagen and wife Jeanette of Holdrege, Gary Giesenhagen and wife Donna of Kearney, Carol Criss and fiancé Terry Ritterbush of Kearney; many nieces and nephews; and countless friends, as Chuck never met a stranger in his lifetime.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Betty Johnson; daughter, Denise Johnson; and four brothers, Vernon, Arnold, Orville and Phillip Johnson.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 233-3244

Previous Events

Family receiving friends

MAR 15. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
4115 Ave N
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 234-3500
info@osrfh.com
<https://www.osrfh.com>

Memorial Service

MAR 16. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
4500 Linden Drive
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ Charles "Chuck" E. Johnson

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ We are so sorry we will miss Chucks service today. We'll be thinking of you and sending our sympathy and prayers. Chuck was a special person and we always enjoyed being around him. We will certainly miss him. Our love to the family. John & Judi Hostler

judi hostler - March 16, 2017 at 07:39 AM



“ The Harms Team purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Charles "Chuck" E. Johnson.



The Harms Team - March 15, 2017 at 11:52 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Charles "Chuck" E. Johnson.



March 15, 2017 at 10:26 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charles "Chuck" E. Johnson.



March 14, 2017 at 04:16 PM



“ WE remember your family and send sincere sympathy--Dick and Carla Quinn and family

carla quinn - March 14, 2017 at 12:20 PM



“ I am so sad to hear of Chucks passing. I worked with Chuck when I was a funeral director at O'Brien Straatman Funeral Home. He was such a wonderful person and such a joy to work with. Many prayers to the family. Jodi Hyde & family

jodi hyde - March 13, 2017 at 09:44 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Charles "Chuck" E. Johnson.



March 13, 2017 at 07:56 PM

Peggy
Simmons

“ *My condolences to the family. I knew Chuck for a short time. When he move to the Rengency. He was a neat guy didn't know if he was kidding or not. But I had fun kidding him. I cook @ the Rengency. He would stop by and we would have cup of coffee and chat. Going to miss that. Sorry for your loss. God Bless Peggy Simmons*

Peggy Simmons - March 13, 2017 at 07:39 PM



“ *Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Charles "Chuck" E. Johnson.*



March 13, 2017 at 05:38 PM



“ *So sad to hear this. He always was such a nice man. Prayers to the family and friends.*

*Sincerely,
Stafford & Jeanie Thompson*

Jean Thompson - March 13, 2017 at 03:30 PM

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“ To all of Chuck's family;
My sincere condolences to each of you on the loss of Chuck. Chuck was my Manager for Lystads and Ecolab for years; he not only was my boss but became a friend as well. He would always go out of his way to visit when he could. I'm glad I stopped by and saw him 6 weeks or so ago when he was at Brookdale, he stopped my service specialist and made sure he called me so I knew he was there. As usual he asked me how my pretty blonde wife was doing, I told him fine even though we've been divorced for 30 years.
He was the best!

Roger Lange
Aurora, NE

Roger Lange - March 12, 2017 at 09:56 PM

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“ Keith & Monica Musil lit a candle in memory
of Charles "Chuck" E. Johnson



Keith & Monica Musil - March 12, 2017 at 07:59 PM