



## Darrell "Ed" Johnson

April 11, 1948 - October 18, 2011

Darrell E. "Ed" Johnson, age 63 of Redding California formerly of Lexington, died Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2011 at home. Graveside services will be 11:00 AM, Saturday March 31, 2012 at the Sumner Cemetery. The Rev. Dean Pofahl will officiate. Presentation of flag will be presented by the Nebraska National Guard. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mercy Hospice, PO Box 496009, Redding, CA 96049. Online condolences may be submitted [osrfh.com](http://osrfh.com). O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney is in charge of arrangements. Darrell was born April 11, 1948 at Lexington to Alva and Willa (Phillips) Johnson. Darrell attended elementary and high school in Lexington before he went to college in Oklahoma and Oregon. Darrell served our country in Viet Nam in 1971-72. He moved to Oregon in 1974 where he was a general contractor and owned a homebuilding company. In the early 80s he became a licensed pilot and changed his career to flying. After living in Alaska for a short time, he moved to Redding California in 1984. He worked as a corporate pilot until 1997 when he opened an air charter company which he successfully ran until his death. Darrell was a skilled craftsman and mechanic. He enjoyed golf, hunting, fishing and visiting with his many friends and family. Darrell never met a dog that did not love him. Survivors include his wife Patricia Johnson of Redding, daughter, Rhonda (Tod) Jacobson of Grand Island, step-mother Doris Linn of Lexington, sister Barbara (Arnold) Goracke of St Mary, Nebraska, sister Shirley Watkins of Castle Rock, Washington, brother Dale (Cindy) Johnson of Sisters, Oregon, step-brother Kenneth

(Gladys) Jolliffe of Malcom, step-brother Stanley (Pat) Jolliffe of Lexington, Nebraska, two granddaughters, Nicole and Lauren Jacobson and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brother Douglas in 1951, his father Alva in 1994 and grandson, Jordan. All family and friends are invited to gather at Tubbs in Sumner following the ceremony.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Darrell "Ed" Johnson*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *We wish to say "rest in peace" to our friend Ed. I have great memories of working and flying with Ed, and our best piece of cabinetry in the house was built by Ed Johnson!*

**Bob and Delene** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *May Ed have peace and unspeakable joy in the presence of God, our Father. I am extremely grateful for his sacrifice and service to our country. Patricia, this is a wonderful tribute to Ed. He was very blessed to have you in his life!*

**Cindy Clarke** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *It was an honor to work with, and be friends with, Ed Johnson. He was a man of humor, of character, and integrity. My life is richer for having known Ed, and it is poorer with the loss. I miss my friend. I miss being able to call him and shoot the breeze, share some joke, or an old war story. Ed was one of the good guys. RIP Big Guy.*

**John Pritchett** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Hi Patricia, This is beautiful. Hope all is gooding well for you. What a great picture of Darrell. I know this has been hard on you, it will get a little better with time. Take care Love Joyce*

**Joyce Grady** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

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“ *Ed is finally being recognized for his service to our country. We will miss him.*

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**Terry and Dave** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

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“ *Ed -you are missed ... and thank you for service to our country ... a service that was sincere ... and never appreciated as it should have been ... those of u usfrom that era ... we apologize to your spirit ... know we shall take good care of your wonderful wife ...and ... your dear friend and companion, Buddy, will join you soon Patricia*

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**pat amesurie** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

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“ *Thank you for serving our wonderful country and loving my friend Patricia.*

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**Sandy Mickelson** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

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“ *For all who read this or know (already in the hereafter), I pray Ed doesn't go to far away. I'd sure like a friend like him in the next life too. He'll never be forgotten. Semper Fi my dear friend!*

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**Susan True** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM