



## Johnny R. Johnson

November 20, 1952 - September 11, 2010

Johnny "John" R. Johnson, 57 of Kearney died Saturday, Sept. 11, 2010 at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Memorial services will be held at 10:00 AM, Saturday, September 18 at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Gary Main officiating. Interment will be in the Kearney Cemetery. There will be no visitation. Memorials are suggested to the church's prayer garden and tree fund. Online condolences or personal reflections may be submitted at [osafh.com](http://osafh.com). O'Brien - Straatmann Funeral Home of Kearney is in charge of arrangements. He was born November 20, 1952 in Hastings to Roger and Phyllis (Burkhead) Johnson. He grew up in Kearney and graduated from Kearney High School in 1971. On June 6, 1971, he married Tobie Speak in Kearney. They lived in Kearney, where he worked as a homebuilder. He also sold real estate and worked for the Omaha World Herald. He was also manager of building materials at Menards. He was a member of First United Methodist Church and was past president and board member of the West Central Nebraska Homebuilders Association. He loved to hunt and fish and work in his vegetable and flower gardens. He also loved spending time with friends and family, especially his granddaughters. Survivors include his wife, Tobie of Kearney; sons, Kevin Johnson and wife Andrea of Wood River and Kirk Johnson of Rogers, AR; daughter, Karlie Hermsen and husband Dan of Papillion; mother, Phyllis Neemann and stepfather Merlin Neemann of Gibbon; granddaughters, Neleigh, Paige and Olivia Hermsen and Allie and Kaitlyn Johnson; brothers, Craig Johnson of Kearney and Brent Johnson of San

Antonio, TX; and sister, Sonda McClellan of Brady, NE. He was preceded in death by his father.

# Tribute Wall



“ Johnny R. Johnson

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ I remember John from the many morning coffees he shared at K-Mart with my mother, Nina Hammer and several others. This was several years ago, John always had practical words of wisdom to share and enjoyed teasing the electrician, Don, who has also passed away. "The good--they die young!" too young

**Fred Hammer** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ We were so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. He was a great man. We appreciated his friendship and support of the athletic programs at Kearney High. He will be missed. May your memories sustain you. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

**Steve Larson Family and Kyle Larson family** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ Toby: Betty and I were shocked to hear about John. He was a great guy to work with on all the new homes that he built over the years. His Dad gave me my first job at Johnson Imperial Homes in 1969. Such a long time ago. The pain that you feel and your family is no doubt huge and has left a big hole in your heart. John is at peace and with his dad probably telling each other building stories when they were partners. God will look over him as he will you and your family. Remember you have many friends that have big shoulders and don't be afraid to call on any of them. Time will heal the pain but never the loss. God's blessings to you and your family

**Craig & Betty Peister** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

KD

“ To Tobie & Family Sorry to hear about your loss of Johnny. You will be in our thoughts and prayer's

Kenneth & Connie Dustin - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

SJ

“ SORRY TO HERE ABOUT YOUR SON , HE'S WITH GOD AND HE HURTS NO MORE. HE'S IN PEACE AND HE'S UP THERE HAVING A NICE TIME TALKING TO HIS DAD.

SHARON JAMES - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

RS

“ Tobie, Randy and I were so sorry and saddened to hear of Johnny's death. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We both have good memories of you and Johnny from school and all the sports activities he was in. We especially remember his big smile. Randy and Ruth

Randy & Ruth Seward - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

SJ

“ I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR OF YOU LOOSING YOUR SON PHYLLIS AND MERLIN. SO MANY TIMES PEOPLE GO BE FOR ME AND I WONDER WHY NOT ME SO THEY COULD BE WITH THERE FAMILY. ONLY GOD KNOWS. HE WANTED HIM TO HELP HIM IN SPECIAL WAY AND ONLY GOD KNOWS WHY. HE'S AT PEACE AND GOD WILL HOLD HIM IN HIS ARMS AND PROTECT HIM. I DIDN'T KNOW ANY OF YOUR KIDS PHYLLIS I JUST WORKED WITH YOU AT THE STORE. JUST REMEMBER THAT HE'S WITH GOD AND JESUS NOW AND HE'S SAFE.

SHERRY JAMES - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

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“ I will always remember Johnny as being a such a fun person to be around. Even though I did not spend a lot of time with him, he was my mother's (ViAnna Rice) cousin and I saw him at family events. The Johnsons have always been a very close family. I'll always remember dancing with him at Karlie's wedding. A year later, when I got married in Cheyenne, Johnny, Tobie , Karlie and Dan came to my wedding and reception, which meant a lot to me. Johnny will be missed. Tobie, Kirk, Karlie and Kevin and families are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Vanessa Rice Malm** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM

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“ I have been blessed in getting to know John. He loved his family dearly. John was a great example through all of this. His inner strength and commitment to follow through was an inspiration to experience. He knew our Lord and looked to Him for guidance and comfort. Our prayers continue for your family and close friends as you prepare to celebrate John's life.

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**Ron Reed** - August 21, 2013 at 05:59 AM