



Jerry Johnson

December 11, 1947 - September 25, 2025

Jerry Johnson passed away September 25, 2025 at Magnolia Regional Health Center in Corinth, MS. He was born December 11, 1947 to George Franklin Johnson and Daisy Elizabeth Barkley Johnson. He worked for Iron Crafters for 25 years. He attended Falkner High School. He was a member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church where he served as a trustee. He was a committee member for Little Hope Cemetery.

He was a godly man whose life was a reflection of his faith everywhere he went, even in hospitals, he would gently ask nurses and doctors if they knew the Lord, always carrying with him a heart for others and a desire to share his Savior.

His greatest joy was his family. He absolutely adored his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, clinging to the little ones with the playful spirit of a big kid himself. They loved him just as deeply in return.

Music and worship were central to who he was. He never missed a church service and filled his days with the sound of bluegrass. Though he never had a single lesson, he could pick up almost any instrument-guitar, piano, fiddle or harmonica and play with a natural gift that amazed everyone around him. He was a former member of the Servants Quartet.

He also had a deep love for history and family heritage. He spent many happy hours searching for and uncovering ancestry, always eager to learn about the roots that shape the family he cherished so dearly. He was very patriotic and proud of his country. He wanted everything to say “made in the USA”.

Above all, he was a role model of faith, love and integrity. His legacy lives on in the countless lives he touched and he will be remembered always as an example of how to live fully, faithfully and with a heart wide open.

Sundays were always special when the grandkids and great grandkids gathered for lunch, filling the house with laughter and stories. Those afternoons often ended, with his beloved wife of nearly 60 years, smiling across the room, reminding everyone how handsome she thought he was. Together they had a love like no other, the kind of marriage people looked up to, a true love story that was as steady and beautiful as the life they built together. Right at his side through it all was his little dog, Princess, his loyal companion and favorite sidekick who rarely left his lap.

Those left to cherish his memories are his wife of 59 years: Brenda Mae Murley Johnson; one son: Steven Johnson (Regina), Janet Jackson (Mike Ray), Joy Rowland (Rodney) all of Falkner, MS, Jill Owen (Channing) of Ripley, MS; grandchildren: Bailey Johnson, BJ Wiginton (Emily), Marcus Johnson (Bre), Josh Windsor, Tyler Windsor, Blake Thomas, Carly Melton (Cole), Shelby Watts (Jamal), Charlee Rowland, Daisee Rowland, Hayden Hercules, Carson Owen, Corben Owen, Elijah Walts; twelve wonderful great-grandchildren and another one coming in November; a host of nieces and nephews. He also leaves one brother: Kenneth Johnson (Donna) of Killen, AL; one sister: Linda Barone of Munford, TN; one sister-in-law: Sarah Johnson of Ripley, MS; one brother-in-law: Jimmy Murley (Vivian) of Holly Springs, MS.

He is preceded in death by his parents: George Franklin Johnson and Daisy

Elizabeth Barkley Johnson; five brothers: Junior Johnson, John Johnson, Gene Johnson, Roy Johnson, Charles Johnson; two sisters: Hazel Hensley, Sallie Emagene Johnson.

Officiating: Bro. Herb Luther and Bro. John Huggins

Pallbearers: Bailey Johnson, Marcus Johnson, Blake Thomas, BJ Wiginton, Tyler Windsor, Hayden Hercules, Cole Melton, Jamal "Putt" Watts

In Lieu of Flowers please consider giving to the Gideons or St. Jude in his memory.

Cemetery Details

Little Hope Cemetery

201 CR 404
Falkner, MS 38629

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **28**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McBride Funeral Home, Inc.
206 N. Commerce St
Ripley, MS 38663
(662) 837-8101
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<https://www.mcbridefuneralhome.com>

Visitation

SEP **29**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
3933 Pleasant Hill Rd.
Ashland, MS 38603

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Jose Hercules purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jerry Johnson.



Jose Hercules - September 26, 2025 at 07:31 PM

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“ Jose Hercules planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Johnson.

Jose Hercules - September 26, 2025 at 07:31 PM

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“ I sure am going to miss my buddy at church, him sitting behind me poking me in the back or pulling my hair - sure loved this man

Janet Cunningham Jones - September 26, 2025 at 03:09 PM

JJ

“ We are sorry to hear of Jerry's passing!
Know that our thoughts and prayers are with all of you !!
Danny and Judy Jeanes

Jufy Jeanes - September 26, 2025 at 11:45 AM