



## Mr. William Eli. Johnson

February 8, 1935 - September 25, 2023

William Eli Johnson was born February 08, 1935, in Alton Illinois as the seventh of 10 children to Cyrus and Cornelia (Keen) Johnson. After attending grade school here in Alton, Illinois He went on to graduate from Alton Senior High School. Upon graduation he enlisted in the military, where he honorably served our country as a Military Policeman in the United States Army.

He married the love of his life, Olivia Janice (Green) Johnson in 1965 and their amazing union would last over 50 years. His employment career, which he proudly worked until he was in his 80's, centered primarily in the security and sales industry. He had an ideal personality for it, and it was clear that he enjoyed the interaction of meeting and talking to people from all walks of life. William, or as most people called him, "Bill" was a Man of God and devoted his life to his faith and family. He was an active member of St. James Baptist Church, where he enjoyed his lifelong love of music by singing in the choir. His fellowship with members during and after church was what he enjoyed most.

William Eli Johnson received eternal rest and peace Monday September 25, 2023, while convalescing at home. He was blessed with 88 years. In addition to his parents, William was preceded in death by three sons, Ralph Miller, Leonard Miller and Rodney Woolfolk; grandson, Anthony McMoore; siblings, Cyrus Johnson, Virginia Ward, Cora Darden and Lucille Piggot.

He is survived by children, Olivia J. Quarles, St. Louis, Missouri, Cynthia

(Larry) Tyler, Matteson, Illinois, Butch (Regina) Woolfolk, Sugar Land, Texas and Vanessa McMoore of Alton, Illinois; 12 grandchildren, Teresa, Raymond, Olivia, Charles, Mark, Leslie, Cecil, Ashley, Dorothy, Jarrel, Troy and Ronnie; 12 great-grandchildren, Samantha Nadia, Jaylin, Jada, Ronnie Jr., Olivia, Jaiden, Madison, Olani, Sienna, Anika and Jiselle; 5 siblings, Mary Hyndman, Harold (Evelyn) Johnson, Lloyd (Minnie) Johnson, Alvin (Thelma) Johnson, Adele (Willie) Carpenter and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Upper Alton Cemetery

Oakwood Rd  
Alton, IL 62002

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Greater St. James Baptist Church  
2016 Belle Street  
Alton, IL

## Service

OCT 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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2016 Belle Street  
Alton, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. William Eli. Johnson.*



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September 29, 2023 at 03:17 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. William Eli. Johnson.*



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September 28, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Unc Bill going to miss you always on my team side against father n law. Always laid back and fun to hang with I hope to be an example like yourself for generations to come. Now you can finally be w/ Sue whom you still always talked about. Johnson family deepest condolences.*



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**Ryon Williams Sr.** - September 27, 2023 at 11:33 PM



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Cathy M Williams & Sons FH - September 27, 2023 at 02:56 PM