



Ray Charles Johnson

January 12, 2004

Ray C. Johnson, 72 of Camillus died Thursday. Born in Syracuse, he graduated from Eastwood High School in 1949. Ray was an Army veteran and worked for Ed Murphy Ford Sales, George Olin Construction at the Airport and later retired as Comptroller of Town of Camillus in 1985. He was a member of St. Mark the Evangelist Episcopal Church. Ray golfed in leagues at Camillus Country Club and bowled in the Harry Raab leagues at the Camillus Clubhouse. He had been bookkeeper for Fairmount Community Library and was a charter member of Camillus Elks Lodge #2367. He is survived by his wife of 43 years Ruth (Oram) a son Andrew; and five nieces and nephews, David Johnson of Skaneateles, Cindy Geller of Wilmington, DE, Jack Benson, Mark Benson and Patricia Benson all of Chicago. Services were 10:30 am Tuesday at B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home, 10 Genesee Street, Camillus with the Rev. Joseph A. Bergin officiating followed by burial in Onondaga County Veterans Cemetery. Calling hours 4:00 to 7:00 pm Monday at the funeral home with an Elks service at 6:00 pm. Contributions in lieu of flowers to St. Mark the Evangelist Church 1612 W. Genesee St. Syracuse, NY 13204 or Samaritan Center, 310 Montgomery Street, Syracuse, NY 13202.

Tribute Wall

CR

“ You touched our lives on so many levels. Your opinions were often sought and always right on the mark! You were a second dad to our Jamie and the only person I know that could look him straight in the eye!!!! You could roar like a lion, but were as gentle as a lamb. You were our favorite visiting chef at Sylvan Beach and a master at "Kings in the Corner". You were the only person that called me "Darlin" and I will miss hearing that. You were my book keeping mentor for our household accounts. Now I seem to organize everything!!!! These are but a few of the ways you have made a lasting impact on us. We are reminded of you at the most unexpected moments, but know that it is a tribute to your character and personality. Even tho your email address has changed to: book keep@Heaven.com, we know you are making sure that the books up there are balanced to the penny! You are in our thoughts and prayers as are Ruth and Andrew. You are loved by many more people than you ever realized. Be at peace "Uncle Ray".....

Carol Rebhahn - April 21, 2004 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Ray will be deeply missed by all of us. Even we didnt see each other often, he was always kind and gentle. We will keep him in our hearts.

Marc, Petra, Sebastian, Chris & Rina Hunt - March 09, 2004 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Uncle Ray was a nice bloke, someone who I respect and who I will miss. Even though we lived such a long way apart I always found myself thinking of him at some point for no reason. That is the mark that a man like Uncle Ray leaves, and you will always at some point be in my thoughts. See you for a cold beer someday, and Ill play Guitar for you - in tune this time.

Matt Hunt - March 07, 2004 at 12:00 AM

HD

“ Happy memories of our dearest brother in law Ray, on our many visits over the years to Ruth and Ray and Andrew . Ray Johnson was a big man with a big heart, and we will miss his bear hugs, and greetings of "high sister" Good night rest in everlasting peace mate. Catherine & Derek .. England

hunt derek&catherine - March 04, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I hadn't seen my brother-in-law in many years, but our Xmas cards always crossed in the mail with updates on family and friends. He will be missed by many. Jack Benson Sr.

Jack Benson Sr. - February 26, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ I too hadn't seen Ray in many years until our class reunion. I had a very enjoyable time reliving our high school days with each other. Ray was a fine man and was liked by everyone whose lives he touched. My deepest sympathy for his loved ones he left behind. The reunion won't be quite the same without him.

John Heldt - February 17, 2004 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ I was a good friend of Ray's from our Eastwood High School days. After many years not seeing each other, we met at our 50th year class reunion in 1949. He was the same old Ray that I knew all those years ago. Ray enjoyed his visits to his wife's home town of Bristol, England. Ray was looking forward to our class's 55th reunion this coming August. We will be thinking of him very much when we get together then.

Gessler Arzani - February 16, 2004 at 12:00 AM