



David Allen Johnson

January 1, 1948 - July 19, 2022

David Allen Johnson, age 74, of Albia, IA, passed away on Tuesday, July 19, 2022, at the Mercy Hospital in Iowa City.

Dave was born in 1948 in Albia to Howard E. and Martha Jane Johnson. He graduated from Albia High School in 1966, Centerville Junior College in 1968 and William Penn College in 1970. In 1970, he married Sandi Bernard.

Dave was a long time local businessman having worked in retail stores during high school and college and later managing two retail stores after college. He and his wife Sandi opened Johnson and Johnson in 1978 and he assisted her in the operation of the store for many years. Dave also spent several years working for the former Monroe Plastics Company in Albia where he was a production manager. He was also an estimator for Reed Construction in Albia for eight years. In 1986, Dave was elected President of Albia Industrial Development Corporation serving as it's first full time economic developer. Over the years he worked on a wide range of projects including assisting with the development of the Iowa Bioprocessing Center near Eddyville.

Dave was always active in community affairs. He was the youngest person ever elected to the Albia City Council serving on it from 1970-1973. He also served on the Albia Planning and Zoning Board for several years and for 26 years served on the Albia Municipal Waterworks Board, the last 20 years as

Chairman.

Dave also served on the Albia Historic Preservation Board, the Monroe County Historical Society Board, was President of the Albia Area Improvement Association, belonged to the Albia Area Chamber of Commerce for over 30 years serving on the board several times, belonged to the Albia Jaycees for many years, served on the Board of Indian Hills Regional Development, was a founder of the Monroe County, Iowa Community Foundation serving as it's Treasurer for many years and was a Trustee of the Bates Foundation.

Dave was named Outstanding Civic Leader by the Albia Area Chamber of Commerce in 1987 and in 1995. He received the President's Special Award in 1993. He was named to the Albia High School Wall of Fame in 1998 and was inducted into the Albia Area Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame in 1999.

Dave enjoyed having breakfast with the "boys", a weekday ritual for over 20 years. He enjoyed playing golf and fishing with his friends. He enjoyed living in the country and working on the "farm" where he was happiest working in the timber. Although he gave it his best he never won the battle with multi flora rose. He also enjoyed watching the birds and animals that came to the feeders claiming they always ate better than he did. His second best friend was his dog, Gideon.

Dave is survived by his wife and best friend, Sandi; his sister, Jane Brees and her husband Ernie of Polk City; and several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

Following organ donation, Dave's body has been cremated. No formal visitation is planned.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 22, 2022, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Albia, with Father Mark Yates, C.P.P.S. and Deacon Edwin Kamerick officiating.

In lieu of flowers or memorials please donate some time to your local favorite charity or organization.

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL **22**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
730 Benton Ave W
Albia, IA

Tribute Wall



“ *David Allen Johnson*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *David Allen Johnson*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Sandy, our hearts and prayers go out to you at this time. We hope that this aid that we are giving to you in prayers will help you get through this time of loss and love Judy White...*

Judy White - August 15, 2022 at 12:36 PM



“ *Dear Sandi. So sorry about Dave. We hadn't seen him the last few years with Covid and his illness. I always enjoyed the get togethers for holidays at Bob and Ruth's and talking to Dave. Bless you 🙏
Gary Douglas*

Gary Douglas - July 23, 2022 at 09:57 PM



“ *Sandi my thoughts and sympathy to you. I always enjoyed you and Dave and I believe I spent a dollar or two in your store.*

john Nordstrom - July 21, 2022 at 07:55 AM

BM

“ My Mother and Dave’s Mother Martha were close friends.
Dave and Jane are lifelong friends.
Sandi’s sister Sheryl was in my class. Jane’s husband Ernie is
friend and neighbor.
Dave and I shared owning GTO’s in the late 60’s.
I’ve never known anyone more Civic minded than Dave.
Our condolences to to all.

Bill & Fran Magie - July 20, 2022 at 06:59 PM

GS

“ Sorry very sorry for your loss Sandi and Jane. Dave was a great
guy and I’m sure missed by many

glenda stafford - July 20, 2022 at 05:50 PM

KH

“ David was one of the good guys. We lived across from each other
during grade school. He was involved in the community more than
anybody I know. Dave is a horrible loss to all of us. Sorry for your
loss Sandi.

kim howie - July 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

KC

“ My heartfelt condolences to you Sandi, Jane and families. Dave will
certainly be missed by all who knew and loved him, and the Albia
community.
Sincerely,
Kit Dinneen Crane

kit crane - July 20, 2022 at 02:04 PM

PC

“ *Sandi, so sorry to hear of the passing of Dave. Sending our sincere sympathy and prayers. Dick and Peggy Christensen*

Peggy Christensen - July 20, 2022 at 11:17 AM

LK

“ *David was my little brother of sorts and gave many memories to my heart, which will last forever*

Lynne Foster Klein - July 19, 2022 at 11:00 PM

CL

“ *Sandi, So sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family. Cathy Baethke Lepart*

Catherine Lepart - July 19, 2022 at 09:07 PM

PH

“ *Such a productive life with purpose. Swede has been a leader as long as we've known him. He will truly be missed. Rest In Peace old friend and classmate. Our sincere condolences to Sandi as well as Jane, Ernie and family. Patty & Tom*

Patty & Tom Hannam - July 19, 2022 at 03:43 PM

MM

Special memories of Dave and all the things he was done for all of us. Love to Sandi, Jane and family.

Margaret Mordan - July 20, 2022 at 04:48 PM

JL

Sandi, Gary and I are so sad to hear of Swede's death. He was such a dear and fun friend during our school years. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Gary and Judy Loebig

Judy and Gary Loebig - July 20, 2022 at 09:10 PM

MB

Dave was a smart and generous man, who was very kind and helpful to me and people who were were his co-workers at Plastics. We will always be grateful and will miss him. I am very sorry for your loss. -

Martha Berman

Martha Berman - July 21, 2022 at 02:11 PM

MR

Rest In Peace good neighbor.

mike Randall - July 23, 2022 at 12:22 PM