

pallbearers

O'brien Johnson	Devin Johnson
Dwayne Johnson	Ruben Evans
Swazoo Claybon, Jr.	Darramious Hayes, Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Curtis R. Johnson	James "Jim" Johnson
Walter F. Johnson	Clarence Bennett
Jeffery Foster	Clinton Brown

Flower Bearers

Nieces

Family Acknowledgments

To Our Beloved Canaan Missionary Baptist Church Family of whom Brother Warren G. Johnson dearly loved, we thank you for your love, prayers, and continued support. We, the family, acknowledges with deep appreciation your kind expressions of sympathy, words of encouragement, calls, cards, flowers, and countless acts of kindness, care & concern shown to us during our time of bereavement. We extend a special thanks to Pastor Cory J. Pruitt, and the Mount Enon Missionary Baptist Church Family for the use of your facilities. Our loved one, the late Warren G. Johnson, will truly be missed. May God continue to Bless and Keep you all.

-----The Family

INTERMENT

Shiloh Park Cemetery
5555 Philadelphia Drive
Dayton, Oh 45415

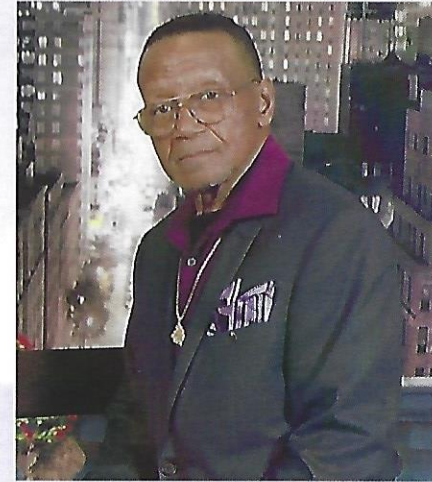
ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:

Thomas Funeral Home
4520 Salem Avenue
Dayton, Oh 45416

"May The Work I've Done Speak For Me"

Celebrating the Life of

Warren G. Johnson



Sunrise

February 28, 1943

Sunset

March 6, 2022

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress; my God; in Him will I trust." Psalm 91:1-2

Saturday, March 19, 2022 – 11am

Mount Enon Missionary Baptist Church
1501 W. 3rd Street
Dayton, Ohio 45402

Reverend William J. Diggs, Officiant
Canaan Missionary Baptist Church, Associate Minister, Dayton, Oh

Reverend James G. Brown, Jr., Eulogist
Parkers Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, Portland, TN

MASKS REQUIRED

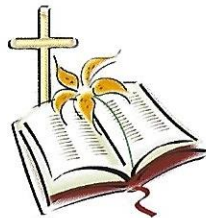
Order of Service

The Reverend William J. Diggs, Officiating

Prelude		
Parting View	"I Can't Give up"	Lee Williams and the Spiritual QC's
Scripture	Old Testament – Psalm 91	Reverend William J. Diggs
	New Testament – James 4: 6-10	
Prayer		Deacon Curtis R. Johnson, Brother
Worship in Music	"Down through the years"	Bishop Roy Pirtle
Resolutions & Acknowledgements		Sis. Mary E. Brooks
The Obituary (Read Silently)		
Special solo tribute		Gospel recording artist, Teresa Teri
Words of Comfort		Rev. James Conyers
Worship in Music	"When the gates swing open, I'll walk on in"	Ruben Evans, Cousin
Reflections		Clarence Bennett, Friend Robert Miller, Brother -in-law James "Jim" Johnson, Brother
Worship in Music	"Lord I just want to Thank You"	Maxine Maclin, By Request Family Friend
The Eulogy		Rev. James G. Brown, Jr., Pastor Parkers Chapel Missionary Baptist Church Portland, TN
Recessional	"Fix It Jesus"(On My Way Home)	The Canton Spirituals

Dinner will be served at Robinson's Training Center, 651 East Main Street, Trotwood, Ohio, 45426 to family & friends immediately following the Internment.

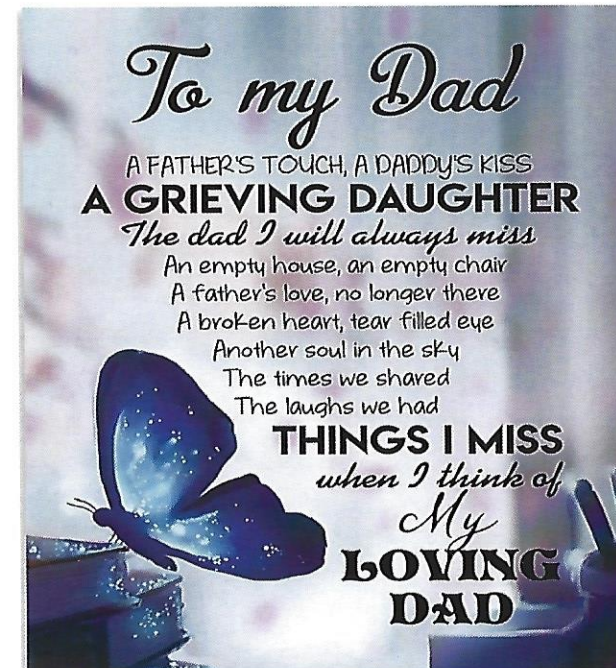
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The Measure of a Man

It is not so much where he came from
But where he is purposefully going....
It is not how much money he makes
But what he makes of himself.
It's not about what he can buy or sell
But what he can share with someone else...

Terah Cox



Obituary of

WARREN G. JOHNSON

A native of Stanton, Tennessee, Warren G. Johnson was born February 28, 1943 as the fourth of six children to Martha Louise Blackwell Johnson and James Rubbie Johnson. He received his educational training in the Tipton County Public Schools and graduated from Gailor High School in 1963. Upon graduation Warren began his journey to manhood by moving to Dayton, Ohio living with his brother, Curtis Johnson, and embracing the lessons and values from his parents: "God is your strength and defender," "Family First," "It is better to wear out, than rust out," "If you don't stand for something, you will fall for anything." Warren did not leave West Tennessee without making his feelings known to his love, Clara Bell Miller.

Warren and Clara grew up together in Stanton, Tennessee, but as he grew into manhood year's later he noticed a change in his world and confessed his love when he saw her standing on the porch in 1964. He made it known to all that he was going to marry her one day. Their marriage built on friendship and love was united December 26, 1964 and later blessed with two beautiful daughters, Stephanie and Felicia.

With a passion to build a fruitful life that would positively impact his family and his legacy, Warren always wanted to work. Westside Furniture was one of the first places that gave him an opportunity. He was also known for taking pictures and videos at different events in the City. He later began his career at General Motors where he worked for more than 33+ years serving in various roles prior to his retirement as Foreman in 1999. During his time at GM, he had an injury where he lost two fingers. The company asked what could they do. He said, "Give my wife a job." It was this selfless thought that allowed both him and his

wife to strive for the best and move upward. His desire to be great also afforded him the opportunity to not only put his family in their starter home he later bought another home in Trotwood in 1974. As a property owner, he then decided to purchase additional properties providing housing to those that needed it.

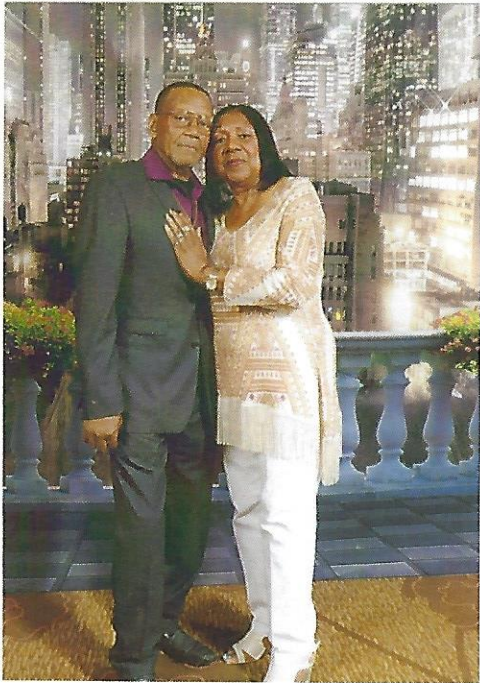
His commitment to excellence and compassion to showcase the beauty provided by nature was evident in his family-owned lawn care business where he actively worked til October 2021. He found great joy in teaching his love for lawn care to his grandson, O'Brien and proudly passed the baton to him to carry it on. He loved and raised his grandsons like his own.

He was highly regarded by his family, his church, his friends, and colleagues. Warren demonstrated a commitment to excellence that exemplified his caring nature, unconditional love and guiding spirit. More importantly, he inspired and encouraged his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and all other young adults to always strive for excellence.

A devout founding (charter) member of Canaan Missionary Baptist Church since its inception in 1965, Warren served as President of the Trustee Board, a member and President of the Male Chorus, as well as, a member of the Laymen's department. Warren has left an indelible legacy that will continue as a reflecting beacon of light in the lives of his family, his church family, his friends, his community and everyone who had the opportunity just to know him.

Warren was preceded in death by his parents, Martha Louise Blackwell Johnson and James Rubbie Johnson, and his brother, Emerson Crenshaw. His life will continue to be celebrated by his *wife* of 57 years, Clara Miller Johnson; *children*, Stephanie Johnson, Dayton, Ohio, and Felicia Johnson, Marietta, GA; *grandchildren*

O'Brien DeWarren Johnson and Devin Jamal Johnson, both of Dayton, OH; *great-grandchildren*, Malik Raheem Martin, Cincinnati, OH, and Kayne Jamal Johnson and Karter Gene Johnson both of Indianapolis, IN; *brothers*, Curtis (Celestine) Johnson of Trotwood, OH, James (Peggy) Johnson of Englewood, OH and Walter Fred (Carol) Johnson of Trotwood, OH; *sisters*, Dorothy (Swazoo) Claybon of Mason, TN and Lee Thelma Jones of Hendersonville, TN; *extended family*, Lisa and her daughter Aubriella Martin of Cincinnati, OH, The Max Harvey family of Dayton, OH/Indianapolis, IN, *great friends*, Clarence Bennett, Jeffrey Foster, James Leake and Clint Brown, as well as, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.



WHEN I MUST LEAVE YOU

When I must leave you for a little while
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years
But start out bravely with a gallant smile
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same
Feed not your loneliness on empty days
But fill each waking hour in useful ways
Reach out your hand in comfort and cheer
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near
And never never be afraid to die
For I am waiting for you in the sky

- Helen Steiner Rice