



Norman Johnson

November 18, 1925 - April 10, 2014

Norman Edsel Johnson, 88, of Topeka, passed away April 10, 2014. He was born on November 18, 1925, in Scandia KS to Henry and Esther Johnson. He attended Kackly Grade School and graduated from Manhattan High School and Kansas State University where he received a BS degree and a Masters degree. Norm was a member of the "Greatest Generation." He served in the US Army in the Philippine Islands during the retaking of that area. Norm was an educator, teaching high school in Barnard, Stockton, Jamestown, and Topeka. In Topeka he taught at Boswell Junior High and Topeka High School. At Topeka High School he was also a counselor and assistant principal. He ended his career at Kaw Area Technical School. After retirement Norm served on the Sergeant of Arms staff in the Kansas Senate, and he was a driver for the blind. Norm was a member of Lowman United Methodist Church where he served on numerous committees and was a Stephen Minister. He is survived by his wife, Jan Johnson; daughter, Nancy (Mark) Reedy; son, Steve Johnson; two grandsons that he was especially proud of: Colin Reedy and Daniel Reedy; brother, Donald (Aileen) Johnson of Burlington WA. Norm loved people and could talk to anyone anywhere. He will live on in the memories of his loved ones and the stories that they will share. Honoring Norm's request, he will be cremated and a private graveside will be held at Penwell-Gabel Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be sent to Lowman United Methodist Church, 4000 Drury Lane, Topeka KS 66604, or to a charity of choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Norman Johnson*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *We were so sorry to hear about Norm. We will sure miss him. If there is anything you need, please let us know. You will be in our prayers.*

Geralyn Frederick - April 17, 2014 at 03:05 PM



“ *Dear Jan. SENDING MY LOVE AND MOST SINCERE SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. I AM SO SORRY.*

FONDLY, MARION REYNOLDS

marion reynolds - April 13, 2014 at 07:13 PM



“ *Sincere condolences to you and family. I worked with Norman in USD 501. I was a counselor in his Division at Topeka High for 2 years. I remember his ability to work with students and his commitment to education. In recent years I would see him at the bookstore or at the mall. He was always the same positive person I had remembered him to be. I blessed to have known him.*

Frank Ybarra - April 12, 2014 at 12:51 PM

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“ Norm was one of the most special people in our lives. It has been such a joy and a complete blessing having a neighbor that was so much fun talking to. We miss him already but will hold all of the memories tightly in our hearts. Sending prayers for peace and strength thru this sad time, for all of Norms family. Lots of love, Michelle and Ron Z.

Ron and Michelle Zimmerman - April 12, 2014 at 11:54 AM

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“ So sorry for your loss! Norman was one of my favorite second cousins! Always had a positive outlook and a friendly greeting no matter what the occasion. Norman had a strong resemblance to our uncle (My great uncle) and the same great way with young people! I am sure that is why Norman became an educator! When we visited after I graduated from K-State we often had interesting dialog of the differences in the college and classes from his tenure in Manhattan KS. I will miss Norman, he truly was one of the greatest generation! My heartfelt condolences to Jan and his family.

Gary Haglund - April 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM