



Edward W. Johnson

1934 - 2016



Edward Wayne Johnson, age 81, a Carson City, Nevada resident since 1995, passed away Sunday January 31, 2016 at Carson City, Nevada .

He was born May 9, 1934, in Black River Falls, WI, the 2nd of 6 children to Otto H and Edna (Varney) Johnson.. He attended school in Black River Falls graduating from high school in 1952. Shortly after graduation he joined the U. S. Air Force serving until 1954. While in the Air Force, he lost a leg and was given a disability discharge.

He married Corlene Parker on April 30, 1955 in Black River Falls. To this union was born three sons and one daughter. She preceded him in death in 1992. He married Delores Grunlien Helgeland on July 4th, 1993 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

He attended Eau Claire, Wisconsin business school and earned a degree in accounting. After graduation he worked in Eau Claire and Lake Geneva, WI. for a number of years, before moving back to the Black River area where he went to work for Ludeman's South Alma Cheese Factory in 1971as office manager . He worked there until his retirement in 1995. Also owned the Chatterbox Tavern in Merrilan, Wisconsin. After his retirement in 1995, he and his wife Dee moved to Carson City, Nevada.

While living in Wisconsin. Ed belonged to American Legion Post 200, AmVets Post 5494 and DAV Chapter 61 in Black River Falls. He was very active in the DAV holding every chair, Commander for 3 years, and Adjutant-treasurer for 12 years. After moving to Carson City, he transferred to DAV Chapter 7 where he served as Sr. Vice Commander, 3 years as Commander, and Adjutant 6 yrs..For the DAV, Dept of NV. he served one year as State Commander, 10 years on the service commission, 5 years on Finance Committee. He was van coordinator, and driver for the DAV van transporting veterans from Douglas County and Carson City to the Reno VAMC for several years. In 1995 he was chosen as Disabled Veteran of the year for the state of Wisconsin by the DAV of Wisconsin. In 1998 he was disabled veteran of the year for Nevada the Vietnam Vets. In 2003 he was chosen as the Disabled Veteran of the year for the state of Nevada. by the DAV of Nevada.

The last 10 years were spent traveling around the world, Norway for his heritage (he was very interested in genealogy) London, Paris, Mediterranean, Australia, South America, plus many more places away and at home.

Survivors include his wife Delores (Dee) of Carson City, Nevada, three sons, Randy Johnson of Advance, North Carolina, Michael (Jill) Johnson of Black River Falls, Wisconsin and David (Sue) Johnson of Centerville, Wisconsin and one daughter, Star (Randy) Goldsmith of Merrilan, Wisconsin, nine grandchildren, Michael, Shawndee, Heather, Shane, Annette, Ryan, Jared, Raeann.& Brady, fourteen great-grandchildren Alexandra, Victoria, Isabella, Gabriella,

Michael, Andrew, Anthony, Rebecca, Aiden, Kiele, Keannyn, Braeyden, Zachary, & Laura, one sister Christine (Dickie) Dormady of Black River Falls, Wisconsin, two sister-in-law's Teresa Johnson of Hixton, Wisconsin. & Shirley Johnson of Black River Falls, Wisconsin.

He was preceded in death by his parents Otto and Edna, his first wife Corlene, four brothers, Bruce, Irwin, LeRoy, Bob and one sister, Victoria.

Visitation and a DAV service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 3, 2016 at the Autumn Funeral Home, Carson City, Nevada.

Funeral services for Edward W. Johnson will be Sunday, February 7, 2016 at the Jensen-Modjeski Funeral Home, Hixton, Wisconsin. Reverend Terry Marg will officiate. Visitation will be from 11:00 a.m. until the time of services. Burial with Military Honors will follow at Upper Pigeon Creek Cemetery, Northfield, Wisconsin.

Jensen-Modjeski Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.