



Milton Victor Johnson Jr.

October 9, 1936 - July 13, 2020

Milton Victor Johnson Junior passed Monday night, July 13, 2020, at the age of 83. Born October 9, 1936, at Mound Park Hospital, "Vic" was a lifelong resident of St. Petersburg. He grew up helping his parents with their family business "Tangerine Gardens Nursery," until he graduated from Tomlinson High School and joined the Air Force Reserve. After the Reserves, he had a long career as an engineer, working for ECI-Raytheon and starting L&V Engine Service with his brother. He will be most remembered for his woodturning skills and as a great family man. Vic is survived by his wife of 44 years, Nadine, and his sons Evan and Benjamin, his daughters-in-law Liz and Kate, granddaughter Hannah, and soon-to-be grandson, Cooper. There will be a private viewing for family only at Memorial Park Funeral Home and memorial service TBA

Cemetery

Memorial Park Cemetery

5750 49th Street North

St. Petersburg, FL, 33709

Comments



“ I don't know where to start, but I'll try.

First of all, thank you to all of our kind and wonderful friends for the outpouring of sympathy to myself, and our two wonderful sons, Evan & Ben. I, personally, have received 65 cards and several flowers and dish gardens (which I will probably kill, because Vic had the green thumb and I have the back thumb!). The boys have received many from their personal friends as well.

Vic and I met at ECI in the fall of 1974, when I first went to work there. We were friendly, but didn't have much contact with each other - I worked on the assembly line and he was an Inspection Foreman. His dry and sly sense of humor tickled my funny bone and I liked to talk to him.

A year later and I was separated from my husband and the divorce was being finalized. Vic and I began dating and fell in love. He was very easy to love, kind, funny, a gentleman (he didn't use "manners" like opening doors, but was a gentleman in everyway that mattered!) and just a sweetheart.

As you all probably know, this was Vic's first (and LAST!!!) marriage. He apparently waited for me. He was 39 and I was 24.

We were married for over 44 years. I kept telling him to hang around for 50, but he didn't listen.

We were lucky enough to adopt two wonderful baby boys, Evan Victor Johnson in 1978 and Benjamin Blake Johnson in 1985. They have been the joy of our lives and Vic loved them dearly. He had vastly more patience with them I, but we loved them the same.

One of the things Vic loved to do was to travel this great and fascinating country. We traveled in his old 1965 GMC pickup truck, camping in the camper shell, we also traveled in several different vans and, last of all, we pulled two different Airstream trailers. He took loving care of all the vehicles and did all kinds of alterations and updates for me to the present Airstream. (Ask me sometime what they are!)

Vic was an engineer. I mean that's who he was and how he thought. He really enjoyed creating things out of wood, both "flat work" and lathe work, but, if you knew him at all, what he truly loved to do was to create jigs and fixtures. Figuring out how to make something easier took more time and effort than it did to make the actual item! Unfortunately, I probably will never be able to identify all of them in his shop.

To me, the best thing about him was that he put up with me and my wants and needs - When I went through Surgery and Chemo due to breast cancer, he took sweet care of me. We took care of each other. That "sickness and in health" vow? We both believed it and lived it. I desperately miss him every single day. I know God has his reasons, but it is extremely hard to accept the loss of my precious, loyal, sweet, and funny honey. The one who was so very smart, creative, and loving. I will miss him all the rest of the days of my life.

Thank you for your kind comments and expressions of sympathy. Our family greatly appreciates them.

We are planning on having a Memorial Service for Vic once COVID-19 gets under control. Please pray for a speedy and effective vaccine ASAP. The whole world is in desperate need of it!

The present plan is to have it in the chapel at Pasadena Community Church, probably sometime in January, with God's help. All of our friends and family are invited - and if you have a story to share, please do!



Nadine Johnson - August 07, 2020 at 05:05 AM



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John Bell - July 25, 2020 at 01:46 PM



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John Bell - July 25, 2020 at 01:35 PM



“ Nadine, I'm so sorry that you have lost this very special, kind man. I remember how helpful Vic was when we were setting up choral risers for the 2007 All County Elementary concert. What a fine gentleman he was and also so talented with his woodworking. I still have the miniature xylophone pin that he created. My love and prayers are with you and your family. Bonnie Mayak

Bonnie Mayak - July 24, 2020 at 06:39 PM



“ I met victor once when I was an itinerant music teacher with Nadine. I walked in the music room during our pre-teaching days and saw that he was making shelves to hold the music books for the students. I thought what a wonderful guy he was to do that. My condolences to the family. May he Rest In Peace.
Laura Montgomery

Laura Montgomery - July 23, 2020 at 04:23 PM



“ Although I only met him once I could tell he was a kind and loving man. I can see it when ever I'm around his son Ben. I will never be able to thank him and his wife Deanie enough for what they did when I was unable to. Your a good man Milton Victor Johnson rest easy.
My condolences to his whole family. Thank you.
Joe Cooper

Joe Cooper - July 22, 2020 at 08:58 PM