



## Kathy Ann Whitener Johnson

August 1, 1958 - April 10, 2018

Kathy Ann Whitener Johnson, 59, of Ringgold, Georgia passed away Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at her residence. Born, August 1, 1958, Kathy was a lifelong resident of the Ringgold area, was of the Baptist faith and loved Georgia football. She is preceded in death by father, Roy "R.E." Whitener; brother, Larry Whitener; grandparents, Bana Holt Williams and Edward Whitener and nephew, Chris Whitener. She is survived by her loving husband of 25 years, Donald "Skip" Johnson of Ringgold, GA.; brothers, Jim Whitener of Chattanooga, TN., Eddie Whitener of Rock Spring, GA., Steve Whitener of Cleveland, TN., Rickey Whitener of Honolulu, HI., and Gary Whitener of Ooltewah, TN.; also survived by her loving kids, Jeremy Phifer of Ringgold, GA., Tommy Blackard of Iuka, MS., and Chrissie Haas of Ringgold, GA. Her kids are champs. Survived as well by her step-daughters, Rae Green of Ringgold, GA., and Marte Andrews of Graysville, GA., they are loving girls. She has four wonderful grandsons, Dalton, Hampton, Kellan and Gabe; three beautiful granddaughters, Mallory, Addison, and Makinley. She was a blessed woman. God is good.

Kathy Johnson will always be remembered for her love of kids and her loving personality. She loved her husband dearly, and the families on all sides. Kathy was a great testament of the Lord Jesus Christ - Your Loving Husband.

My mother was a very kind, sweet, generous, and loving person. She had a huge heart and a love for people. She had a way of making the bad things better. She was also a giver and loved helping others. If you knew my mom you would know she could light up the darkest rooms with her smile and love for the Lord! Momma you will be forever loved and missed. Not a day will go by that I won't think of you and wish you were here. I love you as high as the sky and to the ocean floor. One day we will be together again – love your daughter Chrissie "Booty".

Memorial services will be held 6:00 P.M. Friday, April 13, 2017 in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Danny Henson officiating. The family will receive friends Friday from 2-6 P.M. at the funeral home. Arrangements are by Wilson Funeral Home Wallis-Stewart Chapel, Ringgold, Georgia.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 13. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Wilson Funeral Homes - Ringgold Chapel  
443 Boynton Drive  
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# Tribute Wall

IM

“ *Our Sincere Condolences to Skip, Chrissie, Jeremy... and to the rest of the family.*

*Chrissie, we found out from our daughter Maira about the passing to Eternity, and to Eternal Life, of the Soul of your precious Mother. No doubt her Soul is in the bosom & Tender Loving Care of our Ever Loving God and Father who loves Mankind. May her memory be eternal.*

*Maira Donna and I treasure in our hearts a good number of unforgettable memories of you'll. Our love to you and to your loved ones dear Chrissie.*

*The Mousourakis Family*

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**I.N. Mousourakis** - April 15, 2018 at 03:49 AM

MJ

“ *Sending my sincere condolences to all of the family.*

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**Morgan Jessee** - April 13, 2018 at 09:26 PM

SB

“ *Skip, Jeremy, Chrissie and the rest of the family, I'm so sorry for your loss. Kathy had the sweetest spirit, and it only got sweeter as the years went by. You'll never know how much we appreciate her being such a prayer warrior for our family while we were facing some serious challenges. She said, "Prayer changes things," and she was right. It was encouraging to see her put concern for others' needs ahead of her own even as she battled very serious health issues.*

*She also had a great sense of humor, and she was good to keep an eye on my house next door when I wasn't there.*

*As I get older, I realize how time really does fly. It seems like just yesterday I was moving in beside y'all on Haven Drive, but that was 2002! You're right, Chrissie, we'll be reunited with Kathy and our other loved ones who have gone on before us. It's hard now, but that time will come sooner than we can ever imagine. And it'll be a great reunion that we can all celebrate, just as she's celebrating being with her Lord and Savior now.*

*All my love to you,  
Steve Barrett*

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**Steve Barrett** - April 11, 2018 at 12:39 PM

EL

*To Tommy and siblings ,during the time I knew Kathy she was the most outstanding person I ever knew , she was so much fun to be around , beside her personality she was Beautiful and loving she was a great person and I know she loved her kids! May god be with you Tommy during your loss and days to follow I love you and I will be here for you ! Sorry we can't come up there but Bobby fell and broke 6ribs and color bone so he stoved up!!*

Ellie Lambert - April 11, 2018 at 03:43 PM

SB

*I did not know Kathy as well as others or as long as others but i do know that she was a special lady, precious smile, sweet spirit and she as well as her own family loved people. She had a special box she kept the names of those she prayed for. You don't have to know a person for a long period of time for them to impact your own life and she did that. She will be missed.*

Sue Barrett - April 11, 2018 at 09:47 PM

TH

*Tommy and your siblings, I am so sorry about your mom. I remember Kathy always so full of life and had a smile that would light up a room. She and Burndeen were so close. Looked more like mother and daughter, always together. Praying for y'all and Tommy I am here if you need me.*

Tina Holt-Puckett - April 11, 2018 at 10:26 PM

ST

*This is from the Varnell family it was kin to Kathy Whitener Johnson mother Shirley Cox several ants cousins in more Kinfolk we are so hurt for the loss of you we will always love and miss you Kathy you are a special person to all of us in our family. Your mother Shirley Cox loves you very very much Emma grieve for the rest of her life over you I know you're with your mother looking down on her and you are watching out for her like you've always wanted to do she is very hurt we all are very hurt Sammy Tammy Stacy Betty Barbara and the rest of the family we will always love and miss you we spent a lot of times together Kathy was more like a sister and more like Sammy varnell's daughter she took care of your brothers Eddie and Steve Sammy Varnell did and we know how much you loved Sammy*

StacyBozza63 - April 12, 2018 at 04:37 AM

JJ

*Skip, so sorry for your loss. Praying for your family.*  
Jackie Raines Jones

Jackie Raines Jones - April 12, 2018 at 12:36 PM

LD

*SHE WAS A SPECIAL PERSON WHO LOVED ALL, AND THAT'S WHAT WE ARE SUPPOSED TO DO. KATHY YOU WILL BE MISSED, BUT YOU ARE IN A BETTER PLACE WITH A NEW BODY. GOD BLESS YOUR FAMILY*

lebron durham - April 12, 2018 at 04:02 PM

BB

*Don, I just found out about your precious Kathy! I am so sorry and you and your family are in my prayers! Beth Brown*

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**Beth Brown** - April 13, 2018 at 10:55 AM



Rhonda  
Stowers

*Dearest Kathy, I love you with all of my heart and will spend the rest of my days missing you. I know that you loved me and I also know that you are with the Lord now and I will be joining you soon. I know you will be watching over me from Heaven. Until then, know that you are in my heart and I love you. Your Mother, Shirley*

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**Rhonda Stowers** - April 13, 2018 at 01:10 PM