



When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me and I'm not here to see
If the sun shall rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me,
I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today,
While thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.
I know how much you loved me, as much as I loved you
And each time that you think of me I know you'll miss me, too.
But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand
That an angel came, called my name, and took me by the hand.
And said my place was ready in heaven far above
And that I would have to leave behind all those I dearly love.
But as I turned to walk away, a tear fell from my eyes.
I had so much yet to do, it seemed almost
impossible that I was leaving you.
I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad.
I thought of all the love we shared and all the fun we had.
If I could relive yesterday, I thought for just a while,
I would say good-bye and kiss you and maybe see you smile.
But when I fully realized that this could never be
For emptiness and memories would take the place for me.



Pall Bearers

Mark Barnett
Chris Hopkins
O. J. Warren

Jabbar Sutton
Kobi Butler
Reggie Hopkins

Flower Attendants

Friends and Family

Note of Thanks

The Johnson family would like to extend our heartfelt "Thank You"
to everyone for your kindness that you have shown us during our
time of sadness.
The Johnson Family



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Celebrating the LIFE of Mr. Tracy Matthew Johnson, Jr.

ARRIVAL
JUNE 27, 1944

DEPARTURE
NOVEMBER 10, 2022



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2022
1:00 PM

MT. ZION RESTORATION CHURCH
2311 CRESCENT LANE
GASTONIA, NORTH CAROLINA

PASTOR BARBARA ADAMS
RAMOTH A.M.E. ZION CHURCH
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

Celebration of Life for
Tracy Matthew Johnson, Jr.

Pastor David Evans, Officiating
New Beginning Church
3100 Northwest Boulevard
Gastonia, North Carolina, 28052

—ORDER OF SERVICE—



Processional	Clergy and Family
Invocation	Pastor David Evans
Selection	
Scripture Readings: Old Testament New Testament	Reverend Jessie Young, Sr. Deacon David Cobb
Prayer of Comfort	Pastor David Evans
Remarks (Two Minutes Please)	Ronnie Grier Fred Glenn Sherman Joyner Children
Selection	
Words of Comfort	Pastor Barbara Adams Ramoith AME Zion Church, Charlotte, NC
Recessional	



—Interment—

Henry's Chapel Cemetery
Belmont, North Carolina

Tracy Matthew Johnson, Jr., 78, of Gastonia NC, was born to the late Mr. Tracy M. Johnson, Sr. and Regina Moore Johnson on June 27, 1944. Tracy transitioned from his earthly home on Thursday, November 10, 2022.

Tracy, better known as “Truck” and “TJ” grew up on Todd Street in Belmont, NC and was a part of the “Big Five.” Leonard Simms (Popsi Cola), Tracy Johnson, Jr. (Truck), Ronnie Grier (Cheese) Fred Glenn (Frog), and Roy Lee Sherrill (Lee).



At a young age, he became a member of Love Chapel in Belmont NC. Tracy graduated from Reid High School in Belmont NC. Class of 1962, where he was the captain of the football and basketball team and was named Best Athlete. Tracy worked at Livingstone Coating as a painter and blaster. He also worked at Duke Power (Catawba) for 15 + years as a painter and sand blaster and later worked as a Brick Mason until he retired. Tracy's favorite sport was football, and you know who his favorite team was ... that's right “Them Cowboys” and he also like wearing his Chuck Taylors. He will truly be missed by his family and friends.

Tracy is preceded in death by his: parents: Tracy and Regina Johnson, Sr., two sisters; Carmolita Johnson, Claudine Johnson Smith, four brothers; Calvin, Cleveland, Samuel, Louis Gilbert (Jack) Johnson, and grandson; Addison Ray Lipscomb.

Tracy leaves to cherish his memories: his wife of 53 years Rose Barber Johnson, children; two sons, Tracy Johnson III (Dorlene) Gastonia, NC, Howard Barber (Darnise) Charlotte, NC; three daughters, Rhonda Johnson Kings Mountain, NC, Trimmel Lipscomb Charlotte, NC, Sheila Cobb (David) of Gastonia, NC; a brother, Choyce Johnson (Cheryl) of Water Town ,Ct., brother-in-law, William Barber; sister-in-law, Sharon Blanks (Sidney); nine grandchildren: Daquan, Tykevis, Kemira Armstrong, Sharday Barber, Devin Johnson, Demirah Johnson Friday (Rontay), Ciera Johnson, Brittany Alford, Jessica, and Kenneth Lipscomb of Atlanta, GA; great-grandchildren: Jayde Friday, Jayce Friday, Magic and Malik Alford, Makenzie Stackston, Tymere Lipscomb, Tyrrell Williamson, Goddaughter: Melody Tate; god-grandchildren: Ta’Jaun Tate, Shawnda Tate; long-time friends: Ronnie Grier, Sherman Joyner, Fred Glenn: host of nieces, nephews.

