



## William E. Johnson

November 8, 1942 - July 18, 2018

COLUMBIA – William ‘Bill’ Edward Johnson, 75, passed away on Wednesday, July 18, 2018, at his home in Columbia from complications of Parkinson’s disease.

He was born on Nov. 8, 1942, in Boston, Mass., the son of the late Leonard and Helen (Goodale) Johnson. He was raised in Auburndale, Mass., and graduated from Newton High School in 1960, and then worked as a heating specialist and salesman for Macdonald-Wadman Company in Needham. In 1974, he moved his family to Pittsburg when he purchased Timberland Camps on the First Connecticut Lake – seven housekeeping cabins attracting fisherman, vacationers and hunters. He opened the business for snowmobilers in the winter and was highly involved in the building and grooming of the trail system used during those early years.

Bill came from a long line of electricians and started his own business which he named Magalloway Electric. He moved to Columbia in 1980 and two of his sons became electricians and worked with him until they started their own businesses. Bill’s greatest love was working on and showing his ‘49 Ford. He was a multitalented man, building three new homes during his lifetime. He had a great mechanical ability and could fix almost anything. He passed this talent on to all his sons.

He spent many hours with family and friends snowmobiling and hunting at his beloved Buckhorn Camp in Pittsburg. In his later years, when his disability limited him to his home, he enjoyed looking at the wildlife and mountain views, observing the changing weather of northern NH and watching his favorite baseball team, the Boston Red Sox.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Elaina (Hambrecht) Johnson of Columbia; five sons, Lenn (Victoria) Johnson, Douglas (Laurie) Johnson, Peter (Jan) Johnson, Cal (Luz) Johnson and William A. (Tricia) Johnson; a brother, Russell (Kathleen) Johnson of Columbia; ten grandchildren, Alyssa (Doug) Maloy, Brooke, Cody, Gage, Matt, Lauren, Ian, Bryce, Emma and Anna; several step-grandchildren, Stephen, Samantha, Katie, Lindsey, Dan, and Paige; and two great-grandsons, Thomas and William Nguyen. He leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his sister, Karen Johnson.

Visiting hours and a memorial service will be held at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook on Thursday, July 26, 2018, from 9 to 11 a.m.

Expressions of sympathy in Bill's memory may be made to the Colebrook Ski-Bees, P.O. Box 125, Colebrook, NH 03576; or to the North Country Home Health & Hospice, 536 Cottage St., Littleton, NH 03561, or online at <https://northcountryhomehealth-hospice.org/support>.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to [www.jenkinsnewman.com](http://www.jenkinsnewman.com).

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **26.** 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home  
103 Main Street  
Colebrook, NH 03576  
(603) 237-4311  
[info@jenkinsnewman.com](mailto:info@jenkinsnewman.com)

# Tribute Wall

DS

“ *Billy, I'm sorry for your loss.*

Darcy Smith - August 21, 2018 at 01:16 PM

RE

“ *So sorry Elaina to hear about Bills passing. He was my first customer when I started my home telephone answering service on Marshall Hill. Great neighbor and friend all those years ago.*

Rose Eastman - July 28, 2018 at 04:14 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of William E. Johnson.*



July 25, 2018 at 04:21 PM

LM

“ *Love Pam, Paco and Mandi purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of William E. Johnson.*



Love Pam, Paco and Mandi - July 25, 2018 at 03:13 PM

DS

“ *sorry to hear of Bills passing*

don silloway - July 24, 2018 at 05:56 PM

CC

“ So very sorry for your loss. Bill had a wonderful work ethic. WE enjoyed knowing him on the Canaan Mens Softball League , and also for the many times he came to our rescue. RIP good man. Love and sympathy Paul and Cheryl Cote

Cheryl Cote - July 24, 2018 at 04:09 PM

LP

“ Larry and Cherylann Pierce purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of William E. Johnson.



Larry and Cherylann Pierce - July 23, 2018 at 07:36 PM

HH

“ Our deepest condolences go out the family on your loss.

Haven & Peggy Haynes - July 23, 2018 at 06:45 PM

DL

“ We are so sorry for the passing of Bill. Your all in our thoughts at this difficult time. May memories help you though this time.  
Rene and Donna Lapierre

Donna Lapierre - July 23, 2018 at 05:39 PM

SB

“ Elaina and family, Sam and I knew Bill the first months we moved to Colebrook. He was kind and fixed everything for us. He will be missed. Our prayers are with you. Joan and Sam Bird

Samuel and Joan Bird - July 23, 2018 at 04:57 PM

RB

“ So sorry for your great loss. Bill was a great man and will be missed. Condolences to you and your family Elaina.  
Roger and Bonnie Brousseau



Roger and Bonnie - July 23, 2018 at 04:01 PM

WJ

“ W. Stuart Johnson, Herbert and Stacey Johnson purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of William E. Johnson.



W. Stuart Johnson, Herbert and Stacey Johnson - July 23, 2018 at 12:40 PM

DO

“ Elaina, just reading this, I am so sorry. Please let us know if we can help with anything.  
Donna & Wade

Donna - July 22, 2018 at 01:22 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of William E. Johnson.



July 22, 2018 at 08:50 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William E. Johnson.*



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July 21, 2018 at 02:47 PM



“ *Nineteen years ago I began cleaning for Elaina and Bill. Within a short time they became my dear friends. I feel privileged to have spent time with Bill, got to know Bill and everyday he taught me something new. Not kidding, I always learned from him. He was a great man. He will sorely be missed by many. Elaina, if I can help you in any way please please don't hesitate for 1 minute. Please call me. I love you, Pam*

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**Pamela York** - July 21, 2018 at 10:27 AM



“ *Elaina and family, Mike and I offer you and your family our most sincere condolences on the passing of Bill. He was a good man. We will always treasure his warm friendliness.*  
*Mike and Joeng Divney*

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**Joeng&Mike Divney** - July 21, 2018 at 09:45 AM



“ *Elaina.. Millie has always held you in high esteem and sends her most sincere sympathy. Our best to you as you traverse this loss.*  
*Cindy and Millie Roy*

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**Cindy Roy** - July 20, 2018 at 08:16 PM

SM

“ *Our deep sympathy to all.  
Sue and Fred Miller*

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**Sue Miller** - July 20, 2018 at 05:38 PM

LP

“ *Elaina,  
So very sorry to hear of Bill's passing. Will keep you in thoughts and  
prayers.  
Linda Poulin*

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**Linda Poulin** - July 20, 2018 at 05:21 PM

CS

“ *Bill was a great man - whenever I saw him he offered a kind word  
and a smile. He was a true gentleman. He will be missed and never  
forgotten. Our deepest sympathy to you Elaina and your entire  
family. We will be holding all of you in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**CORALIE STEPANIAN** - July 20, 2018 at 01:57 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Elaina, you and your family are in my  
prayers.*

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**Bob Mills** - July 20, 2018 at 11:54 AM

MF

“ *Marilyn F. purchased a sympathy card for the family of William E. Johnson.*



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**Marilyn F.** - July 20, 2018 at 09:45 AM

 Valerie Mahnke

“ *Deepest sympathy to Elaina and the whole family.*



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**Valerie Mahnke** - July 20, 2018 at 09:24 AM

EB

“ *I'm sorry to hear of your loss, Elaina and family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

*Eric Brungot*

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**Eric Brungot** - July 20, 2018 at 08:57 AM

MF

“ *Elaina, our deepest condolences to you and the boys....Marilyn and Bruce Flower*

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**Marilyn and Bruce Flower** - July 20, 2018 at 07:35 AM

JC

“ *Jan Corliss lit a candle in memory of William E. Johnson*



Jan Corliss - July 20, 2018 at 06:02 AM

JC

*Thinking of you at this most difficult time.*

Jan Corliss - July 20, 2018 at 06:02 AM

BM

“ *Our condolences to the family...Bob and Joan Minnon*



Bob Minnon - July 20, 2018 at 05:07 AM

BD

“ *Betty Day lit a candle in memory of William E. Johnson*



betty day - July 20, 2018 at 04:24 AM

KL

“ *Elaina, my thoughts are with you and your family. You lost your best friend here on earth but he will show you in many ways that he is still with you in spirit. God bless you for all your loving care. Prayers to you. Kathy Lord*



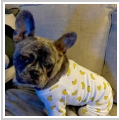
**kathy Lord** - July 19, 2018 at 10:39 PM



“ *Sue Fuller lit a candle in memory of William E. Johnson*



**Sue Fuller** - July 19, 2018 at 06:07 PM



*Dear Elaina and family. Sorry to hear of Bill's passing. Elaina, you were a strong supporting and loving wife. You are an inspiration to us all. <3*

**Sue Fuller** - July 19, 2018 at 06:09 PM

JO

“ *So sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers.*

**Joanne OBrien** - July 19, 2018 at 06:06 PM

KS

“ *Elaina & family,*

*We are so sorry for your loss. He was a good man. You are in our prayers. Please let us know if you ever need anything.*

*Kim & Dennis*

**Kimberly A Sweatt** - July 19, 2018 at 05:27 PM

LC

“ *Linda Clogston lit a candle in memory of William E. Johnson*



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**Linda Clogston** - July 19, 2018 at 04:09 PM

LB

“ *Elaina and Sons,  
We were so sorry to hear about Bill's passing. He was so fortunate to have such a wonderful wife and sons in his life. He once told me that he was so blessed to have such a beautiful and dedicated family. Memories of him will help you all through this difficult journey. Elaina: Please know that you are the rock of this family and find comfort with caring for him all of these years. You are the most nurturing and kind person I have ever known. Our prayer and thoughts are with you and your family. Please do not hesitate if you ever need anything.  
Lisa, Michael, Katelyn and Nicholas Bouchard*

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**LISA Bouchard** - July 19, 2018 at 03:20 PM

BY

“ *Bill was a good man with a great love for his family. He has left many wonderful memories and made an impact on the lives of all who knew him. May he rest in peace. Our deepest sympathy to the entire family. -Lisa and Bryan Young*

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**Bryan & Lisa Young** - July 19, 2018 at 02:15 PM

SC

“ Stacey Campbell lit a candle in memory of William E. Johnson



Stacey Campbell - July 19, 2018 at 01:55 PM

CF

“ Bill had a great sense of humor and was a wonderful friend to my mom and dad and brother. My brother especially loved the snowmobile trips they took and going to Bill's camp in Pittsburg. My sincere condolences to the Johnson family.

Carolyn Foss - July 19, 2018 at 01:41 PM

BK

“ I'm so sorry for your loss! My prayers are with you and your family!!

Brenda Klebe - July 19, 2018 at 01:13 PM

GL

“ We are so sorry for your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Gilles and Priscilla Lambert - July 19, 2018 at 01:05 PM

KO

“ So very sorry for the loss of your dad. My heart goes out to all of you. Kathy Dobson St. Onge.

Kathy Dobson St. Onge - July 19, 2018 at 01:00 PM

CF

“ *Carolyn Foss lit a candle in memory of  
William E. Johnson*



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**Carolyn Foss** - July 19, 2018 at 12:31 PM