



## MSG (Ret) Harry Christopher Johnson

June 26, 1931 - April 12, 2011

MSG (Ret) Harry Christopher Johnson, 79 of Waynesville, MO, passed away at 12:53 pm Tuesday, April 12, 2011 in the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital.

Harry, son of the late William Christopher and Mary (Toliver) Johnson, was born June 26, 1931 in Waxrow, Mississippi where he grew up. He attended school in Bendit, Mississippi.

At the age of 16, Harry enlisted in the United States Army. He was very proud to serve his country and served it faithfully for 26 years. At the time of his retirement in 1971, he was stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas and he had attained the rank of Master Sergeant.

After retiring from the military, Harry was able to do a lot of things that he enjoyed. He loved to be outdoors fishing and working in his vegetable and flower gardens. He was an avid reader and also liked going to the casinos. He was a member of the VFW and while living in Kansas was a member of the Lion's Club.

Harry leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Rita of the home; two sons: Jim Johnson (Deanna) of Lebanon, MO and Larry Johnson (Theresa) of Marshall, MO; six grandchildren: Chris Johnson, Jesse Johnson, Marie Angst, Jackie

Johnson, Clint Johnson and Jarod Johnson; four great grandchildren: Addison Angst, Dakota Johnson, Micheal Unger and Jenna Balluch; several other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, Harry was preceded in death by one daughter: Klanda Jean; two brothers: Gene and Aaron; and three half sisters: Estelle, Patricia and Willie.

Graveside services with military honors were held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, April 15, 2011 in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery – Ft. Leonard Wood with Chaplain (CPT) Daryl Densford officiating. Harry's granddaughter, Jesse Johnson, read a beautiful poem that she had written to honor her grandfather. Military honors were provided by the United States Army of Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Harry Johnson and may be left at the funeral home.

# Previous Events

## Service

APR **15**. 1:00 PM (CT)

FLW Veterans Cemetery  
25350 Highway H  
Waynesville, MO

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rita and family,*

*I just wanted to say how sorry I am for your loss and mine as well. I thought the world of Harry. He was such a good friend and I will miss him greatly. I will be praying for you all. Sorry I could not be at the funeral. Take care and know that the Lord is our comfort and He alone is what we need now and always.*

*Brian S. Keen*

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