



Martin Stuart Johnson

April 28, 1927 - September 22, 2011

Beloved Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great-Grandfather, and Servant of Christ

Martin S. Johnson, 84, of Machesney Park was called “home” by his Heavenly Father on September 22, 2011 at 3:15 a.m. after a long battle with diabetes and heart-related problems. Martin was born on April 28, 1927 in Rockford, son of Paul and Olga Johnson. Graduate of West High, where he was honored as an ROTC major. Served in the United States Navy in WWII and the Korean war. United in Marriage to Jane Lorenzen of 63 years on March 27, 1948 in Rockford. Retired 25 years from Sundstrand and White-Sundstrand, after a successful career as a design engineer. Member of Grace Reformed Baptist Church, Marty loved sharing his love for the Lord Jesus Christ with everyone he came in contact with. In retirement, Martin loved bowling with his team, “The Old Guys,” and was a long time volunteer for the Nightsounds radio ministry. Marty was a master gardener and photographer, and was loved by all who knew him. Survived by his wife, Jane; children, Karen (Harold) Scott of Cleveland, OH, Brad (Kendra) Johnson of Rockford, Jennifer (Terry Egan) of Rockford; grandchildren, Erin (Preston) Fallat of Ft. Wayne, IN, Ryan (Sally) Johnson of Conway, AR, Justin (Evonne) Johnson of Rockford, Sara Hallstein of Rockford, Shannon Hallstein of Rockford; grandson-in-law, Jason Sopkovich; great grandchildren, Micaiah Sopkovich, Hudson Wallace, Madeline Fallat, Nolan Johnson, Benjamin Johnson, Olivia Fallat, and Collin Johnson; siblings, Gordon (Sandy) Johnson of Dadeville,

AL, Maxine Cullen of Independence, OR. Predeceased by his parents; brother, Paul Johnson; and granddaughter, Amanda Sopkovich. A Celebration of Life will be held on Monday, September 26, 2011 at 11 a.m. at Grace Reformed Baptist Church, 6310 Guilford Road Rockford, Pastor Dale Smith will officiate. Private entombment with military honors in Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to Grace Reformed Baptist Church. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services is assisting the family. To share a memory or condolence online, visit www.graceFH.com

Cemetery Details

Sunset Memorial Gardens

8800 North Alpine Rd.
Machesney Park, IL

Previous Events

Service

SEP **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Grace Reformed Baptist Church
6310 Guilford Road
Rockford, IL

Tribute Wall

JH

“ 1 file added to the album *Family time*



Jennifer Hallstein - October 30, 2011 at 09:06 AM

JH

“ *I'm so thankful for Dad in every way...he brought beauty to my own home by creating beautiful flower gardens and a raspberry patch for us to enjoy in our backyard that I will cherish. He planted raspberries for other families too, and spread the joy of butterfly bushes to as many as he could give too...He gave of himself constantly to bring joy to others. I will miss him dearly...so blessed to have had him as my Dad.*

Jennifer Hallstein - September 28, 2011 at 09:53 PM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to Jane, the kids, and grandkids. He was a man that lived his faith.*
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Dean Loy - September 26, 2011 at 10:46 AM

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Erin Fallat - September 24, 2011 at 09:35 AM

KJ

“ *Marty was a wonderful father-in-law. My first visits to his wonderful family were at their home in Roscoe where Marty planted his own apple orchard. He and Jane sold apples, apple pie, and cider right out of the garage! Brad and I lived in Grand Forks, ND at the beginning of our married years and they would ship wonderful apples to us! Nobody grew apples as large as Marty did! Marty and Jane raised 3 wonderful, kind-hearted children and I am blessed to have married their son!*

Kendra Johnson - September 23, 2011 at 02:22 PM