



## Don R. Johnson

September 26, 2013

Donald R. Johnson, 59, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, September 26, 2013. A native of Portsmouth, he resided in Chesapeake with his wife Phyllis Johnson. He served in the United States Air Force, learned the ropes at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard Apprenticeship, worked at SPAWAR, and had a successful career with the United States Government for 37 years.

Don was a family man and a faithful Christian, serving as a deacon at his church home, Jackson Memorial Baptist Church.

His memory will be cherished by his loving wife, Phyllis Johnson; daughters Jessica Hayes and her husband Matthew Hayes, Julie Lampkins and her husband John Lampkins and their daughter Lauren Lampkins; Don's mother, Mary Johnson; his late father Albert Johnson; his sisters Lorraine Starling, Dorothy Moore and her husband Gill Moore; and brothers Samuel Johnson and his wife Cindy Johnson, and his late brother William Starling and his wife Kay Starling. Don had a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, in-laws, and dear friends he loved greatly.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel by Rev. Jackie Allen.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma

Society at [www.ils.org](http://www.ils.org).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Phyllis, I missed seeing this in the newspaper, and Kay Hurley told me last weekend. I was so shocked to hear this. I just wanted you to know that you have been in my thoughts since I heard, so went online to view and send you this note. Peace be with you during this time, and I hope we run into each other soon. Mike Whitehurst*###imported-begin###Mike Whitehurst###imported-end##

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November 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *I never knew Don and I shared the same middle name as well. It was a pleasure to work with Don through the years and am saddened by news of his passing, although I was out of town! Prayers and Condolences for Don's family and friends!*###imported-begin###Don Benjamin###imported-end##

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October 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Phyllis & family, we are so sorry for your loss. We pray that the Lord may comfort you through this difficult time. B.J. & Heather Swindall & family*###imported-begin###B.J. Swindall###imported-end##

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September 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are all sad to hear of Don's passing. Our prayers go out to his family of which he spoke so lovingly. Always the gentleman, Don was for many years a co-worker at St Julian's Creek and lately a member of a group of retirees who met occasionally for lunch. Rest in peace Don, we'll miss you.*###imported-begin###Paul Hill###imported-end##

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September 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I feel like we all became parents together and enjoyed so many great family times as our kids grew up. My kids still remember the special pancakes that Don made for the kids. He was a special, kind, loving person that will never be forgotten.##imported-begin##Kathy Barakat##imported-end##

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September 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ We were so blessed to have known Don over these past few years. Jerry fondly remembers their day together hiking around the Mall in DC. He will be greatly missed. Our hearts and prayers are with you and the family.##imported-begin##Sandi & Jerry##imported-end##

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September 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Don was a kind and gentle man. In the short 7 years I worked with him, never once did he have bitter words to say or a frown that could last more than a brief moment. Peace be with you all.##imported-begin##Roger K. O'Dell##imported-end##

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September 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Phyllis & family ,  
We were surely saddened by the news of your loss when Melissa called & told us ! Don will missed by so many here on earth but welcomed by all in heaven ! We are & will continue to pray for you & your family !##imported-begin##Steve & Phyllis Butler##imported-end##

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September 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ It was a pleasure & an honor having known Don & Phyllis through their entire lives together & we all know he is a welcome soul in heaven now ! Please know Phyllis & family how much you are loved & thought about @ this time!  
God bless you & keep you all !###imported-begin##Melissa G. BUTLER###imported-end##

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September 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ It was an honor to have known Don. He was a strong Christian and such a sweet guy. He fought the good fight...Heaven's great gain is our hearts loss..he will be missed...keeping Phyllis and family in prayers.###imported-begin##Robbie Perrotti Younger###imported-end##

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September 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ We will miss him sitting behind us in Sunday services and hearing his wonderful voice. You all are in our prayers and you can rest assured he is rejoicing with Jesus.  
God Bless and keep you.###imported-begin##Eddie & Linda###imported-end##

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September 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Phyllis and Family,

*I pass to you my heartfelt sympathy. Don was a wonderful friend and co-worker at SPAWAR for many years. He will be truly missed, but it is a comforting feeling to know he is I heaven singing with the Angels. May your many happy memories with him bring you comfort at this time.*

*God Bless You.....##imported-begin##Connie Stanton##imported-end##*

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September 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *I'm wondering how many QA changes have been implemented in heaven thus far? The news of Don's passing came as a shock to us. Prayers for the family.##imported-begin##Bruce & Judy Watson##imported-end##*

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September 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *We were shocked to hear this news tonight. Our prayers & love are with you & our memories are precious of Don & family thru the years as a young couple, father & friend.##imported-begin##Mike & Brenda Smith##imported-end##*

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September 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM