



## Calvin Wasden Johnson

March 27, 2015

Calvin Wasden Johnson, age 85, of Monroe, Utah, passed away March 27, 2015 in Richfield, Utah.

He learned the value of work early, helping in the family lumber business with his dad and brothers. This core value of work served him well, even to the point where health no longer allowed him to do what he loved to do best. He loved animals and enjoyed caring for them. He had a great sense of humor. When nobody was around to hear his jokes, it's easy to imagine him telling his stories and jokes to the animals.

Cal was good at whatever he undertook, whether it was building houses, plumbing, or electrical work and he ran his own plumbing company for many years. Cal was a humble, spiritual man. As a member of the LDS church, he had a strong conviction of eternal bonds with family after this physical life has ended. While living in Salt Lake City, he was a close friend and home teacher to President Gordon B. Hinckley.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Ellie of Monroe, Utah and his children: Luren (Linda) Johnson of Tacoma, Washington, Karen Johnson Marion of St. George, Utah, Christy Johnson of Casper, Wyoming, Marlan (Diana) Johnson of Casper, Wyoming, Jerry Johnson of Casper, Wyoming, Patty (Jim) Chapman of West Valley, Utah, Sandy Neumeier of Enoch, Utah, Jim and Bob

Rouselle of Riverton, Wyoming, and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. He is also survived by his two brothers, Edward (Ruth) Johnson of Billings, Montana, Louis (Louise) Johnson of Orem, Utah, and three sisters, Edna Taylor of San Clemente, California, Alva Lowe of Billings, Montana, and Annella Barnes of Vale, Oregon. He was preceded in death by his parents, Alvin and Sofe Johnson, and four brothers, Alvin Smith Johnson, Wasden George Johnson, Jerrold Johnson, Alvin (Bun) Smith Johnson Jr., and one sister Lois Johnson.

Memorial services will be held at the Monroe 2nd Ward Chapel, Saturday April 11 at 11:00 am. Interment will be at Penrose Cemetery in Lovell, Wyoming. Family and friends are invited to share memories and sign his guest book at <http://www.serenitystg.com>

# Cemetery Details

**Penrose Cemetery**

Lovell, WY

# Tribute Wall

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“ Calvin was like an older brother to me and I shall miss his sweet caring spirit. Though I cannot attend Cal's memorial and am saddened that living in Texas now prevents my return to Cal's home in Monroe Utah, I will be at his memorial in spirit and Cal will know that my heart will always be with his beloved wife Ellie who is to me a sister now and always. --Elaine Bonavita

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“ While it has been many a year since I have been fortunate enough to visit with Cal, I have many memories of him, and our growing up together. While still in high school, I wanted a box to "keep treasures in - big treasures." He offered to build me one, and did so, It took a whole sheet of plywood, It was sturdy, and he painted it. Then I married, our parents brought it to my new home, filled with "my treasures." Everywhere I have been since, the box has come, too. Today, it is still the sturdy, dependable box it was when new. And now, it holds many a blanket. It's a keeper. Each time I see it, I remember Cal and his willingness to help me. These are the best memories I have of Cal: his desire to help others, thinking of others' needs, not "watering the milk in the bucket" when milking the cow (meaning he wanted to have things done right), a good sense of right and wrong, enjoying what life can bring. Yes, He's a Keeper. Annella Barnes

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**Annella Barnes** - April 05, 2015 at 09:45 AM