



Phillip M. Johnson

November 17, 1937 - April 17, 2026

Phillip Morris Johnson 88 years of age of Buckfield passed away Friday, April 17, 2026, at Pikeville Medical Center. He was born on November 17, 1937, to the late Farlin and Mollie Tackett Johnson.

He was an educator for 37 years and retired as the principal of Virgie High School.

Other than his parents he was preceded in death by one brother, William Bruce Johnson; two sisters, Dorothy Hager and Patricia Mullins.

He is survived by his wife, Lois "Ginny" Johnson; two sons, Phillip (Jean) Johnson of Cincinnati, Eric Johnson of Merida, Mexico; one daughter, Natasha Johnson of Las Vegas; one sister, Patrilla Mazzola of Michigan; three grandchildren, Clarissa Weber, Gabrielle Bauer, Rayce Johnson; five great-grandchildren, Aubrey Weber, Jackson Weber, Leo Johnson, Ezra Johnson, and Everly Johnson.

Funeral services will be at 2:00PM on Saturday, April 25, 2026, at the Hall & Jones Funeral Home with Bruce Sawyers and others officiating. Visitation will begin on Saturday, April 25, 2026 at 12:00 Noon at the Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Virgie Historical Restoration Project, a cause that meant a great deal to him. Donations may be made online at 74eagles.com (donation tab), where contributions go directly toward the refurbishment efforts of the local high school.

For those who prefer, donations may also be made in person at Community Trust Bank to the 74 Eagles Fund, where staff are familiar with the fund and

can assist

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **25**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Hall and Jones Funeral Home
1101 Hwy 610, P.O. Box 85
Virgie, KY 41572
(606) 639-4367
hallandjones@live.com
<https://hallandjones.com>

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

ST

“ *Sandy Tackett lit a candle in memory of Phillip M. Johnson*



Sandy Tackett - May 19 at 09:43 AM



“ *Leighta Mullins lit a candle in memory of Phillip M. Johnson*



Leighta Mullins - April 24 at 08:04 PM

CE

“ *Love and prayers to the family for comfort and peace.*



Celina - April 24 at 01:14 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Phillip M. Johnson.*

April 24 at 01:13 PM



“ *Tranquil Seas was purchased for the family of Phillip M. Johnson.*



April 24 at 01:13 PM



“ *Katie Milam Cornett lit a candle in memory of Phillip M. Johnson*



Katie Milam Cornett - April 23 at 05:19 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family especially during this week. Not only were we neighbors on Buckfield Road - our parents/in-laws, Winston and Rosenelle, were educators along with both Phillip and Ginny. We have made a contribution to 74Eagles in Phillip's memory to honor his legacy. Janet Adkins Sipes, Marcia Adkins Hunt and Peggy Adkins*



Janet Sipes - April 23 at 10:46 AM

TA

“ TAMMYRATLIFF lit a candle in memory of Phillip M. Johnson



TAMMYRATLIFF - April 22 at 11:28 AM

JM

“ Joey Mullins purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Phillip M. Johnson.



Joey Mullins - April 21 at 10:34 PM

LK

“ Lisa and Mike Kollath purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Phillip M. Johnson.



Lisa and Mike Kollath - April 21 at 07:52 PM

PM

“ Patrilla and Tony Mazzola purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Phillip M. Johnson.



Patrilla and Tony Mazzola - April 21 at 07:48 PM

YH

“ Your Friends at HouseRight planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phillip M. Johnson.

Your Friends at HouseRight - April 21 at 11:48 AM

YH

“ Your Friends at HouseRight purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Phillip M. Johnson.



Your Friends at HouseRight - April 21 at 11:48 AM

DS

“ Always respected Mr. Johnson as a fellow educator and as a gentleman. He was an intelligent, talented and kind man. I know we were related through the Tackett side. Prayers for his wife and family for comfort.

Danna Gail Stamper - April 20 at 10:43 AM

TA

“ TAMMYRATLIFF lit a candle in memory of Phillip M. Johnson



TAMMYRATLIFF - April 20 at 08:51 AM

DC

“ Prayers for the family. This was a wonderful man ❤️❤️❤️❤️ He will truly be missed



Denisa Damron Childress - April 18 at 03:16 PM

CK

“ So sorry for your loss
JCHS Vice Principal
Claudette Smith Kray JCHS 1978 Classmate
Admin FB Group JCHS 1930-1993



Claudette Kray - April 18 at 01:14 PM

DS

He was a wonderful teacher and friend later in life. Our world is a more sad place without him. Prayers for strength for his family.

Debbie and Eddie Smith - April 18 at 03:10 PM

VP

I'm sure glad i got to see and talk with Mr Johnson a couple months ago at the Virgie School, really enjoyed our talk, very intelligent man, rest in peace Mr Johnson

Verda Prater - April 18 at 04:13 PM

SM

“ My husband and I and actually our whole family thought so much of Phillip and will surely miss him. I've known him almost my whole life and we grew up on buckfield and went to church right next door to his house. My husband and I would always go to his yard sales and he gave me a book that he wrote about life on buckfield and he signed it for me. That meant so much to me. My husband helped him on his house and we would sit and talk with him for hours about old antiques and just different things. I sure will miss going by there where he lived and seeing him outside with his little sun hat on he always wore. So sad over this and we will surely miss him very much

susan mangello - April 17 at 09:43 PM

KP

“ Visit Mr johnson last summer at his home had two or three hour talk of old times and new times thank you sir for being a friend sorry for the family loss prayers

Kudranski Prater - April 17 at 09:38 PM

PJ

“ Paulette Johnson lit a candle in memory of Phillip M. Johnson



Paulette Johnson - April 17 at 06:18 PM

AT

“ *Ann Tackett lit a candle in memory of Phillip M. Johnson*



ann tackett - April 17 at 05:33 PM

TR

“ *Terry Ray lit a candle in memory of Phillip M. Johnson*



terry ray - April 17 at 02:37 PM

TR

Phillip was a good person.I had just cut the grass up at his moms place and the cemetery.the best boss i ever had.R.I.P.

terry ray - April 17 at 02:44 PM

SP

“ *What a man was Phillip Johnson. He meant more to my mom and especially my dad than I can put into words. He was a Christian man, a deep thinker, a man from a different era. He say with me in the hospital the day before my mom passed only because he respected her a a friend and thought she deserved to have people who knew her be with her at that time. So glad I knew him. So glad he's in a better place. Hope he's seen Mom and Dad and the others he loved! Praying for his family.*

Susan Patton - April 17 at 12:44 PM



“ *So many memories of him...such a wonderful person.* ”



Leighta Mullins - April 17 at 12:41 PM