



## Joshua Benjamin Johnson

December 1, 1988 - June 12, 2013

Joshua Benjamin (Burks) Johnson, age 24, of Ashland, formerly of Gravois Mills, passed away Wednesday, June 12, 2013, at University of Missouri Hospital and Clinics in Columbia. He was born December 1, 1988, at St. Mary's Hospital in Jefferson City.

He is survived by his fiancée, Jeanie Neel and her three sons, Bryant, C.J. and Aaron all of Ashland; his mother, Susan Foose (Burks) Johnson and Dan Startzman "Big D" of Gravois Mills; sisters, Natasha LeAnn Johnson of Jefferson City, Jaime Suzanne Johnson of Gravois Mills, Jennifer Lea Willingham and husband Travis of Fort Hood, Texas; Kayla De La Cruz and husband Shorty of Eldon and Kalisa Burks of Eldon; brother, Allen Startzman of Versailles; grandfather, Robert D. Kinsey of Fairdealing, Missouri; father by birth, Darryl Clark Burks of Eldon; father by adoption, James Johnson of Tipton; grandmother, Corene Burks of Eldon; grandparents, Lloyd and Donna Johnson of Eldon; as well as aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Herman W. Foose, grandmother, Ruby I. Foose Kinsey and grandfather, Bobby Ray Burks.

Joshua was a 2007 graduate of Morgan County R-II High School and grew up attending the Gravois Mills United Methodist Church. He worked at "Our Place" Restaurant for his mother as an evening cook. He also worked at Sonic

in Versailles, the Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles and was currently working for Powers Construction in Ashland.

His life was his fiancée, Jeanie and her three sons, Bryant age 7, C.J. (Christopher) age 6 and Aaron age 3. He and Jeanie had planned to marry this summer.

Joshua loved the outdoors especially when he was fishing, hunting and sitting around the campfire. When he couldn't be outside, his passion was drawing. He also studied building trades at Eldon Tech when he was in high school and made furniture. He loved learning and carpentry. Both his grandfathers were in building trades.

A personal note from his mother, Susan: "I want everyone to know how tender and caring Josh was. When his grandma, Ruby became so ill, Joshua carried her to the bathroom, cleaned her soiled body and loved her tenderly. Not many young men have the heart my son had. We have truly lost an angel on earth. We now have another angel in Heaven."

A celebration of Joshua's life will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, June 17th, at the Gravois Mills United Methodist Church with Pastor's Mike Keith and Dan Adkison officiating. The family will receive friends from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., Monday, at the church. Inurnment will be held at a later date in the Versailles Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home, P.O. Box 26, Versailles, Missouri 65084, to assist the family with expenses.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Gravois Mills United Methodist Church  
437 Valley Rd.  
Gravois Mills, MO 65037

## Celebration of Life

JUN 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

SA

“ Josh was a great man. When my girls are old enough to understand what love means I will tell them about him and I. Tell them if they ever feel the way I felt about him then not to let that person go. It is a once in a life time feeling and I am so glad i got to feel it. Could not have felt that way with anyone else. My thoughts and prayers are still with his friends and family. He is truly loved and missed.

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**Sara** - December 05, 2015 at 06:42 PM

KH

“ Dear Johnson Family,  
I would just like to extend my heartfelt condolences to you. I have also lost a loved one in death. This has to be the hardest thing any of us will ever have to cope with. May you find comfort, as I have found, in the loving promise of our Heavenly Father to reunite us with our dead loved ones by means of a resurrection on a paradise earth filled with peace, happiness, and perfect health for everyone in the very near future. (Acts 24:15; Psalms 37:11,29,34; Isaiah 33:24) May these precious promises from God's Word the Bible bring you a measure of comfort during this difficult time. My deepest sympathy to you.

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**Khyrstalle Harris** - June 28, 2013 at 08:12 AM

DA

“ Dallas lit a candle in memory of Joshua Benjamin Johnson



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**Dallas** - June 25, 2013 at 08:49 AM

DA

“ I didn't know you, or your family, or anyone associated with you. But we share one thing in common, the day/year of our birth. December 1st, 1988. So being that is the case, I can only assume you and I where incredibly similar, and your death signifies a great loss for the rest of the planet. I'm sure you where an incredible person with a very large heart, passion, and energy. You will be missed by all of those whom you have touched. I only wish I could have met you to know what kind of a man you where. R.I.P. Brother. Maybe we will meet one day on the otherside.

Dallas - June 25, 2013 at 08:48 AM

TS

“ The Seely's lit a candle in memory of Joshua Benjamin Johnson



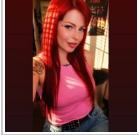
The Seely's - June 21, 2013 at 01:02 PM

MK

“ Mike Kreutzer lit a candle in memory of Joshua Benjamin Johnson



mike kreutzer - June 20, 2013 at 01:34 PM



“ *i didn't have the chance to grow up with you but i have always loved you like a sister should. i love you and miss you so much! <3*



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**Jennifer Willingham** - June 20, 2013 at 01:03 PM

MR

“ *Melodie Reineke lit a candle in memory of Joshua Benjamin Johnson*



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**Melodie Reineke** - June 20, 2013 at 09:51 AM

MR

*Sorry to hear about the passing of Josh. Memories flood my mind as he and my son were in scouts together along with graduating together. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

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**Melodie Reineke** - June 20, 2013 at 09:53 AM

PP

“ *I heard about Josh's passing Monday afternoon. I can't imagine what you are going through. My thoughts & prayers are with you, Natasha, Jaime, Jeanie, Bryant, C.J. and Aaron. I agree with you Susie Josh loved his Grandma Ruby & Grandpa Herman. He was a very special grandson, son & child of God to care for his Grandma Ruby. May God wrap his loving arms around you, Jaime, Natasha, Jeanie, Bryant, C.J. & Aaron. I am here for you Susie.*

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**Peggy Powell Penrod** - June 18, 2013 at 09:03 AM

CB

“ Thoughts and prayers to you all. We are so very sorry to hear about his passing.

Cliff and Anita Bumgardner - June 16, 2013 at 02:15 PM

SG

“ Shari Snyder Grotheer lit a candle in memory of Joshua Benjamin Johnson



Shari Snyder Grotheer - June 14, 2013 at 01:08 AM

JF

“ Joeni Miller & Family lit a candle in memory of Joshua Benjamin Johnson



Joeni miller & family - June 13, 2013 at 10:35 PM

MA

“ Mark & Trish Anderson lit a candle in memory of Joshua Benjamin Johnson



Mark & Trish Anderson - June 13, 2013 at 08:40 AM