



Robert Marvin Johnson Jr.

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Obituary of Robert Marvin Johnson Jr.

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Robert Marvin Johnson Jr. was born on December 27, 1945 in Hermann Hospital, Houston to his parents Robert Marvin Johnson Sr. and Bonnie Lorraine Cordrey Johnson. By birthright of his grandfather, Bradley Calvin Cordrey, a full-blooded Cherokee from Tahlequah, Oklahoma, Robert was proud of his $\frac{1}{4}$ degree Cherokee heritage and by his Blue Card registration, identified as a Native American citizen.

He lived at 10902 Lane Street in a home his father built in Jacinto City, Texas. He was the only brother in the family with 3 older sisters and one younger. At the age of 9, he became an uncle for the first time with 12 more to follow. He grew up attending First Baptist Church of Jacinto City and attended Jacinto City Elementary School where he began playing coronet in 6th grade band and continued playing throughout his years at Galena Park Jr. High School.

As a teenager, he was very mechanically inclined and loved working on cars with his friends, many of whom remained lifelong friends. The Johnson home was the happy gathering place of many family and friends throughout the years and their door was always open. He worked at some part time jobs after school and after graduation took a position with Hydril as a machinist.

In December of 1965, he joined the U.S. Navy and trained in San Diego before joining the USS Seminole's command to Vietnam. He was stationed in Da Nang Port, Vietnam and during his tour of duty was exposed to Agent Orange. After Vietnam he spent the remainder of his 3-year duty in Norfolk, Virginia.



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It was truly a loving & joyous day when his family welcomed him home from the Navy! Upon returning home, Robert resumed his job at Hydril and eventually worked at many other companies as a machinist. In September 1985, with the encouragement of his cousin, Jerry Bowman, Robert secured a position at Schlumberger, a global technology company.

He worked in different divisions throughout his tenure, first as a machinist then ultimately a mechanical designer. He designed tools for global oilwells and more notably the LWD Resistivity Project: PeriScope. He retired in January 2000 from Schlumberger after 25 years of service.

In 1998, Robert was raised as a Master Mason at the Pearland Lodge #1384. From 2001-2002, he served as Worshipful Master of the Lodge and was then appointed District Deputy Grand Master from 2002-2003. His Lodge bestowed him with its highest honor, the Golden Trowel Award in 2017.

Through the years, Robert mentored over 20+ students, many of them having fond memories of sitting on the back porch enjoying nature while learning their memory work. Some of his most rewarding years were spent perfecting his Craft and forming many close friendships with his Brethren. For over 15 years, Robert took great pride in handcrafting personal gavels for each incoming Woshipful Master.

Robert received his Scottish Rite Degrees on September 14, 2002. For several years he was the Degree Master for the 14th Degree. On October 22, 2011, he received the Knight Commander Court of Honor investiture and in 2018, he served as Wise Master for the Houston Chapter of Rose Croix.

In 2019, Robert became the first Chairman of the Secretary's Committee on which he served for four years and continued to serve. On September 9, 2017, Robert received the 33° Inspector General Honorary, the highest Degree within the Scottish Rite.

Robert is survived by his beloved wife of 43 years, Carol Kathleen and his younger sister, Joyce Cordrey Johnson Peach plus many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, sisters Karla Jean Jones, Joan Marie Risinger, Elizabeth Jane Wright and his daughter, Stephanie Ann Johnson.



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Robert had a wide variety of interests that he excelled in such as wood crafting, carpentry, mechanics, metal work, beer & wine making, a firearms enthusiast, collecting authentic arrowheads, electrical work & was a registered Fort Bend Master Gardener to name a few. One of his proudest accomplishments was having the house he bought in West University Place moved to his acre in Brookside Village.


For years he labored tirelessly after work and on weekends to restore it. One of the things he loved the most about his refurbished home was sitting on his back porch daily enjoying the wild birds and nature and would oftentimes say ... "this is my heaven".





Events

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Visitation

 **Tuesday**, October 28, 2025


 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM CT


 **Clayton Funeral Home and Crematory - Pearland**
5530 W. Broadway, Pearland TX 77581



Funeral Service

 **Tuesday**, October 28, 2025

 10:00 AM CT

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