



Cornell (CJ) Johnson

March 27, 2020

I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, "Whom shall I send, And who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I; send me. Isaiah 6:8

Cornell (CJ) Johnson went home to be with the Lord on Friday, March 27, 2020. He was born on January 8, 1952, to the union of Eva Johnson and Ceasar Johnson, and had one brother Charles Johnson, all of whom preceded CJ in death.

He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Linda Ellis-Johnson, of 35 years, two daughters and four grandchildren, daughter Tiecha Johnson Kieffer, (Ebria) (Ebriana) (Jajuan) and daughter, Rayna Johnson (Zahari).

Cornell grew up in the Orleans Parish School System where he attended Chester Elementary School, Derham Middle School, and Booker T. Washington High School. While in high school he ran track, served as president of the Student Council and was later elected President of the Class of 1971.

After completing high school, Cornell attended Grambling State University. Cornell enlisted and served in both the U. S. Airforce and U.S. Army where he served for 20 years, including two tours in Germany. Upon retiring from the military, he was employed at the VA Hospital for 20 years and served in numerous positions.

Cornell being a voracious reader and very studious in school enjoyed a good friendly debate with anyone on almost anything. He simply loved people, and he was well loved by friends and family. He was a member of the Young Men's

Twenty Social and Pleasure Club, the Super Cruisers Motorcycle Club, Booker T. Washington High School Alumni, and numerous other clubs and organizations. Cornell was a member of Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church for over 20 years, pastored by the Rev. Dr. Thomas James Brown Jr. Due to COVID-19, the funeral service is private. Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral home, 3933 Washington Avenue.

Tribute Wall

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“ I'm going to miss CJ He was strictly business but also had time to have fun My condolence to the family From Robert B

robert banks class of 71 - April 14, 2020 at 12:14 AM

JM

“ A great loss - a friend, a classmate and a good person....May his soul be at rest...My prayers for the family.... 🙏🙏🙏🙏



Johnetta Matirne - April 12, 2020 at 12:14 PM

BB

“ Linda, Tiecha an Rayna and the grandchildren. You are in our thoughts and prayers. I will forever remember Cornell. We had a very unique relationship, he always made me laugh on Sunday morning when we were in competition for a certain parking spot. May your soul rest quietly 8n the bosom of Christ.

Barbara Bender - April 11, 2020 at 11:02 PM

SC

“ Me Cornel was a very nice person. We rode motorcycles together with his club and other people. Sadly we saw him on this weekend at Freeriders club house he was so full of life. He will be truly miss by the bike family.

Sincerely Shon N Zelly Collins

Shon Collins - April 11, 2020 at 02:40 PM

RM

“ *Condolences to the Family. Linda you and the Family are in our Prayers. Rest In Paradise CJ. Ricky & Helen McGee*

Ricky & Helen McGee - April 10, 2020 at 09:00 PM

AF

“ *To the family of Mr. Cornell. I'm sending my condolences to you during this difficult time. Mr. Cornell was a very nice person and he would help you with anything. I worked with him at the VA for many years. I remember when I started there back in 2001 and he welcomed me to the VA. Take your rest Mr. Cornell. From: Ann Fisher*

Ann Fisher - April 10, 2020 at 01:14 PM