



Howard George Johnson

October 23, 1941 - December 20, 2025

Howard George Johnson, age 84, of Dassel, died Saturday, December 20, 2025, at his residence in Dassel. A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, December 29, 2025, at the Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Dassel with the Rev. Janine Olson officiating. The interment will be held at the Oakland Cemetery in Hutchinson following the service.

A visitation will be held one hour prior to the service on Monday, December 29, 2025, at the Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Dassel.

The Johnson Funeral Home in Dassel is in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Howard George Johnson, the son of Harry and Frieda (Nisse) Johnson was born on October 23, 1941, in Hutchinson, Minnesota. He grew up in the Hutchinson area and attended Hutchinson Public School for his education. Howard was baptized and confirmed in the Christian faith and was a member of the Gethsemane Lutheran Church at the time of his death.

In 1961, Howard was united in marriage to Karen Todd in Hutchinson, Minnesota. Together they made their home in Hutchinson until they moved to Dassel and resided on the Nisse family farm. On November 30, 1991, Howard was united in marriage to JeriLynne Bodeker at the Church of Christ in Dassel. Together they made their home in Dassel.

Howard loved to work, he was a heavy equipment operator and could make the heavy equipment dance. He was a long-standing 60+ year member of the 49rs union. He was employed by multiple Minnesota construction companies.

He enjoyed spending time doing word puzzles, cruising the car lots, and looking for his next vehicle that would be traded for when his present vehicle hit 60,000. He had traveled to Arizona and several cities in Florida including Fort Meyers,

He is survived by his children, Grant (Tern) Johnson of Cleveland, Ohio, Nancy (Bruce) Baumqardt of Hutchinson, Nichole (Gregory) Plath of Hutchinson, daughter in law, Tina Johnson of St. Cloud, fifteen grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren. He is also survived by his niece and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his spouse, JeriLynne Johnson, parents, Harry and Frieda Johnson, son, Todd Johnson and sisters, Harriet Battles and Marion Johnson.

Cemetery Details

Oakland Cemetery

Hutchinson, MN 55350

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 29. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Gethsemane Lutheran Church
221 Atlantic Ave E
Dassel, MN 55325
office@glcdassel.com
<http://www.glcdassel.com>

Funeral Service

DEC 29. 11:00 AM (CT)

Gethsemane Lutheran Church
221 Atlantic Ave E
Dassel, MN 55325
office@glcdassel.com
<http://www.glcdassel.com>

Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry we could not be in Dassel due to the blizzard. I have many fond memories of the yellow house in Dassel (that I helped paint one summer). Howard was always super hard working and I remember the time he got a new chain saw, all the trees on the property got a good trimming. He was also very kind hearted. I remember him showing up at a picnic at Battle Lake with a cooler of pork chops to make sure everyone had a nice lunch. We will miss him. Keith Battles and family.

Keith Battles - December 29, 2025 at 07:35 AM

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“ Grant, Nancy, Nichole and family: I will miss our favorite "Unk". We will always remember how fun loving and kind he was. Sorry we were not able to make it there due to the blizzard. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you. Kurt Battles

Kurt Battles - December 29, 2025 at 07:11 AM

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“ Love, The Brown/Davis & Pauly Families purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Howard George Johnson.



Love, The Brown/Davis & Pauly Families - December 23, 2025 at 09:47 AM